

# **ADVISORY BOARD ON TEACHER EDUCATION AND LICENSURE (ABTEL)**

**Embassy Suites By Hilton Richmond Hotel (Henrico County)  
2925 Emerywood Parkway, Richmond, Virginia 23294**

**Monday, April 1, 2024**

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## **AGENDA**

**8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.      Arrival and Continental Breakfast**

**9:00 a.m.                      FULL ADVISORY BOARD CONVENES**

**Dr. Jessica Jones  
ABTEL Board Chair  
Presiding**

- **Opening Remarks and Welcome**
- **Introduction of Board of Education Liaison, Ex-Officio Members, and Department Personnel**
- **Introduction of Guests**
- **Approval of Agenda**
- **Approval of Minutes**
- **Public Comment**

## **GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. The Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure is pleased to receive public comment at each of its regular meetings. Public comment is only accepted during the public comment period, not during standing committees. To allow the Advisory Board sufficient time for its other business, the total time allotted for public comment will generally be limited to thirty (30) minutes. Individuals seeking to speak to the Board will be allotted three (3) minutes each.

2. Those wishing to speak at the Advisory Board should contact Ms. Alice Bryant at [Alice.Bryant@doe.virginia.gov](mailto:Alice.Bryant@doe.virginia.gov) or (804) 750-8714.

3. Speakers are urged to contact Ms. Bryant in advance of the meeting. Because of time limitations, those persons who have not previously registered to speak prior to the day of the Advisory Board meeting cannot be assured that they will have an opportunity to appear before the Advisory Board.

4. To make the limited time available most effective, speakers may provide multiple written copies of their comments.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Board Action Update Since March 2024 ABTEL Meeting**

Mr. Robert Gilstrap, Assistant Superintendent, Department of Teacher Education and Licensure, Virginia Department of Education (VDOE)

### **Critical Shortage Teaching Area Designations**

Ms. Johnelle Torbert, Director, Office of Teacher Education, VDOE

### **ETS-Educational Testing Service - Social Studies 5581**

Mr. Malik K. McKinley, Director of Client Relations, Professional Educator Programs, Office for Teacher Licensure and Certification, Student and Teacher Assessment Division, Educational Testing Service (ETS)

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

### **Item 1: Recommendation to Replace Social Studies: Content Knowledge (5081) with Social Studies (5581)**

Mr. Robert Gilstrap

Mr. Malik K. McKinley

### **Item 2: Recommendation for 2024-2025 ABTEL Meeting Dates**

Mr. Robert Gilstrap

## **LIAISON REPORTS**

### **Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) "Creating Capacity for Change Collaborative: A Specialized Approach to Retention"**

Dr. Samantha Hollins  
Assistant Superintendent for the Department of Special Populations

## **Liaison Reports (contd.)**

### **Virginia Department of Education (VDOE)**

Dr. Anthony Williams  
Director of Career, Technical, and Adult Education

### **State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV)**

Dr. Monica Osei  
Associate Director for Academic Programs and Instructional Sites

### **Virginia Community College System (VCCS)**

Dr. Dan Lewis  
Director of Academic Programs and Policy

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISCUSSION**

Announcements and Discussion by ABTEL Members

10:30 a.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

11:15 a.m. – Standing Committee Meetings

Dr. Eric Moffa, Chair, Licensure Committee

Dr. Peggy Schimmoeller, Chair, Teacher Education Committee

11:15 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Working Lunch**

Discussion