

Introducing the 2021-2022 Slate of Candidates

Despite a Spring Break during part of their window, the Nominations Committee has found candidates for the 2021-2022 positions of President (Debbie Long), Treasurer (Victor Chen), and Secretary (Jennifer Lumpkin).

If you have an interest in serving on the Executive Committee and being a leading voice for Henrico's children, let us know! Self-nominations will be accepted on May 26 at our general meeting.

As a member of the Executive Committee, you will participate in quarterly meetings with Dr. Cashwell and members of the Division Leadership Team, monthly Board meetings, and five general meetings (conveniently followed by our programs).

Thank you to our Nominating Committee for their help: Ali Brown, Colleen Connolley, Sarah Maxwell, LaShawn Payne, and Alice Thompson.



2021-2022 SLATE OF OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Debbie Long

VP MEMBERSHIP

Vacant

VP PROGRAMS

Vacant

TREASURER

Victor Chen

SECRETARY

Jennifer Lumpkin

ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS MAY
BE MADE FROM THE FLOOR
ELECTIONS MAY 26, 2021

Advocacy Meeting on Wednesday

Invite your full Board to participate in our Advocacy meeting with guest speak Delegate Rodney Willett (VA-73).

April 28 @ 6:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85612048016?pwd=NVplRGczKzA5SkhQdDh3R2xlTkNDZz09>

Meeting ID: 856 1204 8016

Passcode: 569002



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Advocacy Meeting

Wednesday,
April 28
6:30 PM

Guest Speaker
Rep. Willett

Updated Guidance and Volunteer Policy

Three important policy changes have occurred since HCC PTA sent out its guidance on meeting this Spring and the HCPS Volunteer policy.

1. A small modification of Governor Northam's executive order, signed April 21, specifies that PTA activities are not subject to the "Instructional Settings" exemption. We have updated our link to [EO-72 v5](#), which reads:

i. Instructional settings

A. Instructional settings include, but are not limited to, any assemblage of students, teachers, administrators, or other school staff for the purpose of:

(1) educational instruction, or (2) conducting activities that are related to educational instruction or result from educational instruction. **Other social events or gatherings, even if school-sponsored or held on school property (such as PTA meetings, dances, fundraisers, and other similar events), are subject to the gathering restriction in section I, subsection B, paragraph 1.** This is true even if such events occur in connection with an exempt educational event.

2. Governor Northam signed [EO-72 v6](#) to relax restrictions on gathering in the near future. **As of May 15, 2021** the attendance cap for **indoor** groups will increase from 50 to **100 people**. The limits on **outdoor** gatherings will increase from 100 to **250**.

The gathering restrictions on school campuses are set by HCPS, not to exceed the Governor's orders. We expect HCPS will let principals determine the size of gatherings each school's space can accommodate while meeting distancing requirements. HCPS remains in Tier 1, which does not allow for indoor gatherings on campus. Only outdoor activities can occur on campus. We will let you know if/when this changes.

In related news, we have added a sample copy of the "[Transition Plan](#)" form that principals must submit to HCPS to seek approval events on campus. The form is provided for the purpose of transparency and understanding. PTAs do not submit this to HCPS.

3. At the [April 22 School Board Meeting](#), the Health Committee reported that volunteers can be utilized by principals to wipe down playground equipment. In our original guidance, we explained that HCC PTA was advocating for this change that has now been made. **If you wish to pursue opening your school's playground, you should meet with your principal.**

Other Events of Interest

#EdEquityVA Webinar Series - Continuous Reflection for Equity

April 27 @ 3:00 PM

Includes a data review for equity, a deep dive into one of Virginia's Equity 5 Cs

Register: https://doe-virginia-gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_aDxL5Um1QjGwBeCnq_nDzw

School Board Listening Session: Relationships

April 27 @ 6:30 PM

<https://tinyurl.com/school-board-listening-session>

VDOE: Virginia Math Pathways Initiative - Essential Concepts in Grades 8 – 10

April 27 @ 6:30 PM

[VDOE's YouTube Channel](#)

Submit questions submitted through the [Virginia Mathematics Pathways Initiative form](#) 

Best,
Debbie Long
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