



Virginia Board for People with Disabilities

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Executive Committee Agenda

Virtual Meeting

March 4, 2026

- 9:00 Call to Order and Welcome, Allison Coles-Johnson
- 9:02 Review of Executive Committee Meeting Agenda (**Attachment EC 1**), Allison Coles-Johnson
- 9:05 Approval of December 3, 2025, Executive Committee Minutes, **ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment EC 2)**, Allison Coles-Johnson
- 9:10 Board Member Attendance (**Attachment EC 3**), Jason Withers
- 9:15 Executive Director's Update (**Attachment EC 4**), Teri Morgan
- 9:25 Agency Fiscal Report (**Supplemental Packet**), Jason Withers
- 9:30 Update on New Board Meeting Venue & Dates, Jason Withers
- 9:40 Recruitment for New Executive Director, Allison Coles-Johnson
- 9:45 Committee agendas, Committee Chairs/Staff
- 9:55 Other Business & Adjourn

Note: Attachment EC 5 provides an overview of progress in the 1st quarter of federal fiscal year 2026 (October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) towards meeting the FFYs 2022-26 State Plan goals and objectives. Committee Chairs should share relevant information with their respective committees.

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9:00 – 10:00	Executive Committee: Virtual
10:15 – 12:00	FULL BOARD CONVENES
10:15	Welcome, Call to Order, Introductions, Allison Coles-Johnson
10:30	Approval of December 3, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes, ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment BD 1) , Allison Coles-Johnson
10:35	Public Comment
10:40	General Assembly 2026 Update, Jen Krajewski
10:55	Discussion of 2027-2031 State Plan Public Comment, ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment BD 2) , Nia Harrison
11:15	Break
11:25	Appointment of Nominations Ad Hoc Committee, Allison Coles-Johnson Appointment of Board Assessment Review Ad Hoc Committee, Allison Coles-Johnson
11:30	Presentation: What Works: Employer Strategies for Disability Employment, Presenters: Jennifer McDonough, Interim Assistant Director of the VCU

Rehabilitation Research and Training Center and Joe Williams, Senior Manager, Regulatory Engagement, Altria and Chair, Virginia Ability

12:00 Full Board Adjourns – Break for Lunch

12:45 – 2:00 COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Advocacy, Outreach, and Training Committee – Virtual Breakout Room 1

Investment Committee – Virtual Breakout Room 2

Policy Advisory Committee – Virtual Breakout Room 3

2:00 – 2:10 BREAK

2:10 Full Board Convenes

2:10 **Standing Committee Reports and Discussion:**

Report of the Investment Committee, Matthew Shapiro

- Approval to release Pre-ETS RFP, **ACTION REQUIRED (Supplemental Packet)**
- Approval of Self-Advocate Scholarship Funding Request from *Come As You Are*, **ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment BD 3)**

Report of the Advocacy, Outreach and Training Committee,
Jennifer Greene

Report of the Policy Advisory Committee, Karen Grizzard

Report of the Executive Committee Meeting, Allison Coles-Johnson

2:30 Other Business & Adjourn

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Advocacy, Outreach and Training Committee Agenda

March 4, 2026

Virtual Breakout Room 1

Time	Agenda Item	Speaker
12:45 p.m.	Call to Order and Review Agenda (Attachment AOT 1)	Jennifer Greene, Chair
12:47 p.m.	Introductions	Jennifer Greene, Chair
12:50 p.m.	Review and Approval of December 2025 Meeting Minutes (Attachment AOT 2)	Jennifer Greene, Chair
12:53 p.m.	Executive Committee Update	Jennifer Greene, Chair
1:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PIP Update (Attachment AOT 3) • TA & Statewide Educational Events Update (Attachment AOT 4) • YLA Update (Attachment AOT 5) 	Dr. Penni Sweetenburg-Lee
1:25 p.m.	Communications Activities Update (Attachment AOT 6)	Anita Ayres
1:30 p.m.	Disability Belongs Presentation & Discussion	Kevin McCloskey, Senior Director, Leadership and Workforce Development, Disability Belongs
2:00 p.m.	Adjourn	Jennifer Greene, Chair

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Investment Committee Agenda

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Virtual Breakout Room 2

Time	Agenda Item	Speaker
12:45 p.m.	Call to Order and Review of Agenda (Attachment IC 1)	Matthew Shapiro, Chair
12:55 p.m.	Approval of December 3, 2026, Minutes ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment IC 2)	Matthew Shapiro, Chair
1:00 p.m.	Grants and Contracts - Updates and Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval to release Pre-ETS RFP, ACTION REQUIRED (Supplemental Packet) • Approval of Self-Advocate Scholarship Funding Request from Come As You Are, ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment BD 3) • Expenditures Report (Attachment IC 3) 	Jason Withers, Staff
1:30 p.m.	Customized Employment Presentation – DARS	Richard Kriner, DARS agency representative
2:00 p.m.	Adjourn	Matthew Shapiro, Chair

2:00 p.m. – 2:10 p.m. Break

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Policy Advisory Committee Agenda

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Virtual Breakout Room 3

Time	Agenda Item	Speaker
12:45 p.m.	Call to Order & Introductions (Attachment PAC 1)	Karen Grizzard
12:50 p.m.	Approval of December 3, 2025, Minutes (Attachment PAC 2)	Karen Grizzard
12:55 p.m.	Executive Committee Update	Karen Grizzard
1:05 p.m.	Update on Assessments (Attachment PAC 3)	Jen Krajewski
1:10 p.m.	Discussion and PAC member input on Assessment Topic 1: Barriers to Navigating the Developmental Disability (DD) Waiver Waitlist	Jen Krajewski, PAC members
1:30 p.m.	Discussion and PAC member input on Assessment Topic 2: Support for Family Caregivers of Adults with DD	Jen Krajewski, PAC members
1:50 p.m.	Update on Liaison Activities (Attachment PAC 4)	Jen Krajewski
1:55 p.m.	Other Business/Discussion	Karen Grizzard
2:00 p.m.	Adjourn	Karen Grizzard

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