

# VIRGINIA COMMISSION ON YOUTH

May 24, 2017

9:00 a.m.

House Room 3, The Capitol

## MINUTES

### Attending:

Delegates Richard Anderson, Richard Bell, and Christopher Peace  
Senators William Carrico, Barbara Favola, and Dave Marsden  
Citizen members Karrie Delaney, Deirdre Goldsmith, Christian Rehak

### Not Attending:

Delegates Peter Farrell, Daun Hester, Mark Keam

### Guests:

Delegates Betsy Carr, John O'Bannon, Robert Orrock, and Vivian Watts

### Staff Attending

Amy Atkinson, Will Egen, and Leah Mills

## I. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

*Senator Barbara Favola, Chair*

Senator Favola welcomed the Commission members and meeting participants and asked that the members introduce themselves. She informed the audience that this was the first meeting of the 2016 study year. Senator Favola then welcomed those who were present for the Family Impact Seminar and thanked everyone for their interest.

Senator Favola stated that the Commission on Youth had partnered with the L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) to host the Family Impact Seminar. The topic was on the adverse effects of childhood trauma. This is the sixth Family Impact Seminar co-sponsored by the Commission on Youth and VCU. Senator Favola informed the members that after adoption of the 2017 Commission on Youth study plans, the Commission on Youth meeting would adjourn and the Family Impact Seminar would commence.

## II. Approval of Commission on Youth 2017 Study Plans

Senator Favola stated that the Commission's draft study plans were sent to the Commission members prior to the meeting. The study plans to be considered are:

- *Survey of Children Aging Out of Foster Care*
- *Identifying Substance-Use Prevention and Intervention Programs at Virginia's Colleges and Universities*
- *Dissemination of Evidence-based Practices for Children and Adolescents with Mental Health Treatment Needs*
- *Virginia Commission on Youth Initiatives*

Senator Favola asked the members if there were any questions about the study plans. There were no questions and Delegate Peace moved that the study plans be adopted.

The motion was seconded by Delegate Anderson and the motion was adopted unanimously.

The Study Plans, as adopted by the Commission, can be accessed on the Commission's webpage under the May 24, 2017 meeting tab.

Senator Favola thanked the Commission members for their participation. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:05 a.m.

### **III. Family Impact Seminar on Adverse Effects of Childhood Trauma**

*Hosted by the Virginia Commission on Youth and Virginia Commonwealth University's Wilder School of Government*

Senator Favola welcomed all of the Family Impact Seminar attendees. She stated that the Commission had been delighted by the positive response. Because House Room 3 can only accommodate 120 individuals and registration was at almost 200, the Commission had decided to "live broadcast" the meeting across the hall in Senate Room 3 in order to accommodate all participants. She welcomed those in Senate Room 3 and thanked everyone for their interest in this topic. Senator Favola then thanked Dominion Energy and offered a special thanks to Bill Murray. She also thanked Casey Family Programs with Virginia's Three Branch Institute along with Magellan of Virginia. Senator Favola then thanked Virginia Commonwealth University for providing the speakers for the s Seminar. She noted that the Family Impact Seminar model provides legislators with current and unbiased research on issues that affect children and families. Senator Favola stated that it was her hope that members of the General Assembly and state-level policy makers use what was learned from the Seminar to develop sound policy decisions.

The Commission members, invited guests, and seminar participants received the following presentations at the Family Impact Seminar.

The Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)

*Allison Jackson, Ph.D., LCSW, CSOTP  
Director, System of Care, Magellan of Virginia*

Addressing Trauma's Medical Impact

*Michel Aboutanos, MD, MPH  
Professor of Surgery, VCU School of Medicine  
Chair, VCU Division of Acute Care Surgical Services  
Medical Director, VCU Trauma Center, VCU Medical Center*

Academic Research on Trauma

*Christina Mancini, Ph.D.  
Associate Professor, L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs,  
Virginia Commonwealth University*

Hayley Cleary, Ph.D.

*Assistant Professor, L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs, Virginia Commonwealth University*

Questions and Answers

*Robyn McDougle, Ph.D., Virginia Commonwealth University*

Closing Remarks

*Delegate Richard P. "Dickie" Bell, Vice Chair*

Delegate Bell thanked everyone for attending the Family Impact Seminar. He thanked Dominion Energy, Casey Family Programs, Magellan, and VCU for their partnerships as well as the Commission on Youth staff for their hard work. He invited everyone to return at 1:30 p.m. to attend a screening of the film *Resilience*. On behalf of the Commission, he thanked Stop Child Abuse Now (SCAN) for providing the film.

The presentations from the Family Impact Seminar can be accessed on the Commission's webpage under the May 24, 2017 meeting tab.