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# News Release

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## VSBA Announces New Board of Directors

**November 20, 2020** – The Virginia School Boards Association (VSBA) announced the newly elected Board of Directors members during the association’s annual convention, which took place virtually from November 18-20.

Four Regional Chairs return to the Board to complete the second year of their term. Those include Sherrie Page of Orange County, Barbara Kanninen of Arlington County, Gavin Honeycutt of Mecklenburg County, Douglas Brown of Newport News City.

The newly elected Regional Chairs to VSBA’s 2020-2021 Board of Directors are: Gunin A. Kiran of Montgomery County, who will serve as the Blue Ridge Regional Chair, JoWanda Rollins-Fells of Caroline County, who will serve as the Eastern Regional Chair, Mary Benjamin of Dinwiddie County, who will serve as the Southside Regional Chair, Lurton Lyle of Dickenson County, who will serve as the Southwest Regional Chair, and Diana Williams of Waynesboro City, who will serve as the Valley Regional Chair. These Chairs will serve a two year term on the state Association Board.



**Kiran**



**Rollins-Fells**



**Benjamin**



**Lyle**



**Williams**

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**2-2-2/VSBA NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**2020-2021 VSBA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**PRESIDENT**

Janet Turner-Giles  
*Nelson County*

**PRESIDENT-ELECT**

Teddy D. Martin, III  
*Henry County*

**PAST PRESIDENT**

Rodney A. Jordan  
*Norfolk City*

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

**Finance/Audit Committee Chair**

James E. Coleman  
*Lynchburg City*

**Legislative Positions/Federal Relations Committee Chair**

David R. Woodard  
*Tazewell County*

**MEMBERS-AT-LARGE**

Iris A. Lane  
*Westmoreland County*

Cardell C. Patillo  
*Portsmouth City*

**REGIONAL CHAIRS**

**Blue Ridge**

Gunin A. Kiran  
*Montgomery County*

**Central**

Sherrie W. Page  
*Orange County*

**Eastern**

JoWanda Rollins-Fells  
*Caroline County*

**Northeastern**

Barbara J. Kanninen  
*Arlington County*

**Southern**

Gavin L. Honeycutt  
*Mecklenburg County*

**Southside**

Mary M. Benjamin  
*Dinwiddie County*

**Southwest**

Lurton B. Lyle  
*Dickenson County*

**Tidewater**

Douglas C. Brown  
*Newport News City*

**Valley**

Diana L. Williams  
*Waynesboro City*

**About the Virginia School Boards Association**

The Virginia School Boards Association, a voluntary, nonpartisan organization of Virginia school boards, promotes excellence in public education through advocacy, training and services. The Association offers conferences, information, training, and counseling designed to meet the needs of the Commonwealth's educational leaders.

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