



## GO Virginia State Board Retreat

### Dates/Times:

September 9th, 2024, 11:30 am - 4:30 pm  
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September 10th, 2024, 8:00 am - 11:00 am

### Location:

Institute for Advanced Learning and Research  
150 Slayton Avenue  
Danville, Virginia

The objective of this retreat is to engage in a strategic discussion on aligning the Commonwealth's economic development priorities and expectations for GO Virginia.

### DAY 1: Monday, September 9th

**11:30 am - 12:30 pm** Check-In - Buffet Lunch Served

**12:00 pm - 12:05 pm** **Welcome**

*Telly Tucker, President, Institute for Advanced Learning and Research*

**12:05 pm - 12:20 pm** **Opening Remarks**

*Nancy Howell Agee, Chair, GO Virginia State Board*

**12:20 pm - 12:45 pm** **Virginia's Economic Development Priorities**

*Glenn Youngkin, Governor of Virginia*

**12:45 pm - 1:30 pm** **State of the Virginia Economy & Regional Perspectives**

*Introduction: Nancy Howell Agee, Chair GO Virginia State Board*

*Speaker: Fletcher Mangum, Founder and CEO, Mangum Economics*

Join us for an insightful fireside chat on the current state of the Virginia economy and a comprehensive overview of key financial indicators shaping the Commonwealth's economic landscape.

**1:30 pm - 1:45 pm** **Networking Break**



**1:45 pm - 2:30 pm      The Voice of Industry: Growth Opportunities for the Commonwealth**

*Moderator: Cliff Fleet, Member, GO Virginia State Board*

*Panelists: Virginia Economic Development Partnership, Sector Leads*

*Ted Sniffin, Vice President, Knowledge Work*

*Sneha Atwal, Vice President, Manufacturing Division*

*Eric Jehu, Vice President, Transportation & Logistics*

In this session, we will explore the concept of cluster-based economic development and its implications for fostering robust and sustainable growth across our regions.

**2:30 pm - 2:45 pm      Networking Break**

**2:45 pm - 3:45 pm      GO Virginia 2.0 – Program Performance and GO-ing Forward**

*Introduction: Todd Stottlemyer, Vice Chair, Program Performance and Evaluation, GO Virginia State Board*

*Speaker: Sara Dunnigan, Deputy Director of Economic Development and Community Vitality, Department of Housing and Community Development*

This session will provide an in-depth review of GO Virginia's, highlighting critical successes and best practices. We'll explore successful collaborative projects, challenges encountered, and develop solutions to enhance the program's effectiveness. The session will culminate in a strategic visioning exercise to chart GO Virginia's future course, ensuring alignment with regional and statewide economic goals.

**3:45 pm - 4:15 pm      High Impact Talent Pathways**

*Moderator: Ben Davenport, Member, GO Virginia State Board*

*Panelists: Julie Brown, Vice President, Advanced Learning*

*Linda Green, Vice President, Economic Development, Southern Virginia Regional Alliance*

*Dr. Mark Jones, Division Superintendent, Pittsylvania County Schools*

Local economies thrive in an increasingly competitive market by leveraging innovative strategies to develop a skilled workforce. This session focuses on the transformative economic impact of hands-on learning



programs, such as apprenticeships, internships, and cooperative education, on local economic development.

**4:30 pm - 6:30 pm      Game Changer Reception**

Meet and mingle with the "game changers" behind high-impact projects supported by GO Virginia. Enjoy an informational showcase from our regional partners. Attendees can take a tour of the GO TEC Mobile Lab.

**DAY 2: Tuesday, September 10th**

**8:00 am - 9:00 am      Breakfast**

**9:00 am - 9:10 am      Welcome**

*Todd Stottlemeyer, Vice Chair, Program Performance and Evaluation, GO Virginia State Board*

**9:10 am - 9:30 am      Implementing Virginia's Innovative Growth Framework**

*Speaker: Jason El Koubi, President & CEO, Virginia Economic Development Partnership*

**9:30 am - 10:00 am      Catalyzing Virginia's Economic Opportunities**

*Delegate Don Scott, Speaker of the House*

**10:00 am - 10:45 am      Regional Growth & Diversification**

*Moderator: Leah Fremouw, Vice Chair for Regional Councils, GO Virginia State Board*

*Speakers: Dr. Eddie Amos, Chair, Region 2 Council*

*Ethan Dunstan, Chair, Region 9 Council*

*Elizabeth Creamer, Member, Region 4 Council*

This session offers perspectives on the regional impact of GO Virginia's cornerstone framework and the successes regions experienced.

**10:45 am - 11:00 am      Close of Meeting**

*Nancy Howell Agee, Chair, GO Virginia State Board*

**Quarterly business meeting of the GO Virginia State Board will immediately follow the retreat.**