



**Virginia American Revolution 250 Commission**

**(VA250) Full Commission Meeting**

Tuesday, October 15, 2024, 1:00 p.m.

General Assembly Building

House Room A (Lower level)

- 1:00 pm     **Call to Order and Roll Call**  
*The Honorable Terry L. Austin, Chair*
- Approval of Minutes from July 17, 2024**  
**Remarks from Leadership**
- 1:10 pm     **VA250 Preservation Grant Fund Update**  
*Julie Langan, Executive Director, Virginia Department of Historic Resources*
- 1:20 pm     **Plans for 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of George Mason’s Declaration of Rights**  
*Scott Stroh, Executive Director, Gunston Hall*
- 1:30 pm     **Advisory Councils and Affiliated Groups**
- Tribal Nations Leadership Advisory Council  
*Stephen R. Adkins, Chickahominy Tribe*
- African American Advisory Council  
*Senator Mamie E. Locke*
- Education Steering Committee  
*Secretary Aimee Guidera*
- VAM Museums Collaborative  
*Scott Stroh*
- VA250 Volunteer Corps  
*Carly Fiorina*
- Local VA250 Committees  
*Cheryl Wilson*
- 1:50 pm     **Development Report**  
*Ben Dendy, President, Virginia Commemorations, Inc.*

1:55 pm

## Staff Updates

Cheryl Wilson

- Independence Day: 2024 recap; Plans for 2025
- Analytics: VA250 By the Numbers
- Special License Plate ([DMV purchase site](#))
- Brand Amplification; Logo Partners; Partnership with college athletic programs (Brian Shaw)
- Programs in development
- New proposals:
  - “Resolved to Live and Die: The Revolutionary Roots of Southwest Virginia” (Blue Ridge PBS, PBS Appalachia, Wilderness Road Regional Museum and Town of Wytheville Department of Museums)
  - National Scrollathon (VMFA)
- Executive Committee Actions
  - VA250 Mobile Museum Experience: *Out of Many, One*
  - VMFA/JYF exhibition: *Give Me Liberty: Virginia and the Forging of a Nation*
  - CY2025 Budget Review \$

2:30 pm

## Other Business; Adjournment

### Upcoming Dates

**Lafayette’s Grand Tour** (Multiple locations, current)

**Bray School opening ceremony** (Friday, November 1)

**Yorktown Tea Party** (Thursday, November 7)

**250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fincastle Resolutions** (Saturday, January 18, 2025)

**Opening of *Give Me Liberty: Virginia and the Forging of a Nation*** (VMHC, March 22)

**250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Patrick Henry’s “Give Me Liberty” speech** (St. John’s Church, Sunday, March 23, 2025)

***A Common Cause to All*** (Monday, March 24- Wednesday, March 26, 2025)

### Next Commission Meeting:

Tuesday, January 7, 2025: 10:00 am

\$ Requires 2/3 vote

## **Members**

\*\*The Honorable Terry L. Austin, *Chair, Virginia House of Delegates*  
\*\*The Honorable Mamie E. Locke, *Vice Chair, Senate of Virginia*  
Carly Fiorina, *VA250 National Honorary Chair*  
\*\*The Honorable Alex Q. Askew, *Virginia House of Delegates*  
\*\*Chief Stephen R. Adkins, *Chickahominy Indian Tribe*  
\*\*Edward H. Baine, *Dominion Energy Virginia*  
Jean Ann Bolling, *Mechanicsville VA*  
\*\*Jamie O. Bosket, *Virginia Museum of History and Culture*  
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\*\*H. Benson Dendy III, *Chairman Emeritus, Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation*  
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\*\*Clifford B. Fleet, *Colonial Williamsburg Foundation*  
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Peter Hedlund, *Virginia Humanities*  
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\*\*The Honorable Paul E. Krizek, *Virginia House of Delegates*  
Julie Langan, *Department of Historic Resources*  
Jerrri Marr, *Colonial National Historical Park*  
The Honorable Elizabeth McClanahan, *Former Justice, Supreme Court of Virginia*  
Rita McClenny, *Virginia Tourism Corporation*  
\*\*The Honorable Ryan T. McDougale, *Member, Senate of Virginia*  
Eric Monday, *Virginia Bar Association*  
\*\*The Honorable Thomas K. Norment, *Former Member, Senate of Virginia*  
\*\*The Honorable Kenneth R. Plum, *Former Member, Virginia House of Delegates*  
Alyson Ramsey, *Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest*  
Katherine A. Rowe, *William & Mary*  
Chief Anne Richardson, *Rappahannock Tribe*  
Jackie Stone, *McGuire Woods LLP*  
\*\*Scott M. Stroh III, *Gunston Hall*

## **Staff**

Cheryl Wilson, *Executive Director*  
Katherine Dabney, *Senior Program Associate*  
Patrick Daughtry, *Director of Major Gifts*  
Mike Frontiero, *Chief Communications Officer*  
Trevor Grimm, *Digital Media and Brand Director*  
Kate Egnor Gruber, *Director of Engagement, Interpretation, and Public Programming*  
Chris Hairston, *Project Manager, VA250 Mobile Museum Experience*  
Jessica Kilgo, *Chief Financial Officer*  
Lindsey McDade, *Fiscal Technician*  
Susan Nolan, *Director of Institutional Giving*  
Brian Shaw, *Chief Development Strategist*  
Korin Taddei, *Executive Assistant*

\*\*Member of Executive Committee