



Virginia Minority Business Commission

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General Assembly Building, Senate Committee Room A, Room 305

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The Virginia Minority Business Commission (the Commission) met in Richmond for its first interim meeting of 2026. Materials discussed at the meeting are accessible through the [*Commission's meetings webpage*](#).

Elections and Virtual Meeting Policy Adoption

The meeting began with introductions by the members of the Commission and the election of Delegate Michael Feggans as chair and Senator Angelia Williams Graves as vice-chair.¹ Following the elections, Chair Feggans gave opening remarks, and the Commission voted to adopt a virtual meeting policy.

Review and Adoption of 2025 Executive Summary

Casey Nelson, Associate Legislative Counsel with the Division of Legislative Services, reviewed the Executive Summary of the 2025 Interim Activity of the Commission. Ms. Nelson discussed the work plan for the Commission during the 2026 interim and the presentation by Patricia Bracknell, Founder and CEO of the Chamber for Hispanic Progress, delivered at the December 3, 2025, Commission meeting. Ms. Nelson further noted that Ms. Bracknell's slideshow can be accessed [*here*](#). The Commission voted to adopt the 2025 Executive Summary.

Member Discussion

Vice-chair Williams Graves discussed inviting the Virginia Black Chamber of Commerce to speak at future Commission meetings. Chair Feggans noted that the Virginia Black Chamber of Commerce is hosting an expo in Richmond on August 22, 2026, and discussed welcoming a variety of other Chambers of Commerce to present to the Commission, including the Virginia Muslim Chamber of Commerce, which has already reached out to the Commission.

For more information, see the [*Commission's website*](#) or contact the Division of Legislative Services staff:

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¹ **Members Present:** Delegate Michael Feggans (chair), Senator Angelia Williams Graves (vice-chair), Delegate Kelly K. Convirs-Fowler, Delegate Justin L. Pence, Tiffany Boyle, Dr. Trina Coleman, and Alfreda Reynolds

Members Absent: Senator Lamont Bagby, Senator T. Travis Hackworth, Delegate Jeion A. Ward, Steven Hammond, Kimberly Jackson, and Dr. Byron Cherry