



Virginia Boys and Men Advisory Commission

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General Assembly Building, House Room B-205

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The Virginia Boys and Men Advisory Commission (the Commission) met in Richmond with Delegate Joshua E. Thomas, chair, presiding.¹ The meeting began with introductions and opening remarks followed by review and adoption of the draft legislative report and recommendation and discussion of next steps for 2027. Materials presented at the meeting are accessible through the [Commission's meetings webpage](#).

Legislative Report and Recommendations

Delegate Joshua E. Thomas, Chair

Delegate Thomas provided the Commission with an opportunity to review and discuss the draft legislative report required to be submitted on or before October 1, 2026, pursuant to the third enactment of [Chapters 749 and 750 of the Acts of Assembly of 2026](#). After discussion, the Commission adopted the report by voice vote.

Discussion of 2027 Business

Delegate Joshua E. Thomas, Chair

Delegate Thomas provided a tentative work plan of topics related to boys and men in the Commonwealth to discuss during the 2027 interim. They include (i) disparity in health outcomes, (ii) family life, and (iii) the impact of social media use. Commission members discussed the importance of such issues and suggested that the four Secretaries on the Commission present on such issues during three or four interim meetings during the 2027 interim.

Public Comment

Members of the public were given a chance to speak regarding the information presented at the meeting.

Next Meeting

This was the last meeting of the Commission for the 2026 interim.

¹ **Members Present:** Delegate Joshua E. Thomas (chair), Senator Lamont Bagby (vice-chair), Delegate Michael B. Feggans, Delegate Garrett Z. McGuire, Delegate Atoosa R. Reaser, Delegate Andrew Rice, Delegate Michael J. Webert, Secretary Jeffery O. Smith, Cameran Drew, Lauren Sallee

Members Absent: Senator Lashrecse D. Aird, Senator Luther Cifers, Senator Mamie E. Locke, Eldon Burton, Secretary Carrie H. Chenery, Secretary Marvin Figueroa, Secretary Stanley Meador

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