

Legislation and Policy Committee Meeting Minutes
Board of Directors of the Virginia Economic Development Partnership
December 10, 2025
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

One James Center, 9th Floor – Board Room
Richmond, Virginia

Welcome and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. by Chair Steven Stone.

Members present: Todd House, Anne Oman, Nick Rush, Steven Stone

Members absent: Sonya Montgomery and Emily O'Quinn

Other Board Members: Secretary Stephen Cummings, Rick Harrell, John Hewa, Pace Lochte, Connie Loughhead, Secretary Juan Pablo Segura

Public Comment Period

Chair Stone solicited public comments. There were none.

Approval of Minutes for June 11, 2025 and September 17, 2025 Meetings

Chair Stone requested approval of the June 11, 2025, and the September 17, 2025, minutes. Upon motion by Mr. Rush, seconded by Ms. Oman, the minutes were unanimously approved.

General Assembly Special Session Update

Lindsay Akers, VP of External Affairs, provided an update on mid-decade congressional redistricting, reporting that legislators reconvened during the 2024 Special Session I, and passed a resolution to allow consideration of a constitutional amendment to redraw Virginia's congressional districts. She noted that the resolution will be considered again in the 2026 General Assembly session, and if approved and subsequently passed by voters in a referendum, the General Assembly would move to redraw district maps ahead of the 2026 congressional primaries.

Election Update

Ms. Akers provided an update on the recent statewide election, noting the election of the following statewide officials:

- Abigail Spanberger, Governor-Elect
- Ghazala Hashmi, Lieutenant Governor-Elect
- Jay Jones, Attorney General-Elect

Ms. Akers noted that several published priorities of Governor-Elect Spanberger may have implications for economic development.

Ms. Akers also reported that Democrats expanded their majority in the House of Delegates during the recent election cycle, with gains across competitive and previously Republican-leaning districts which will result in changes to key committee leadership and

membership.

Closed Session

Mr. Rush motioned, seconded by Mr. Stone, to move to a closed meeting. The members unanimously approved the motion below:

I move that the Legislation and Policy Committee of the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority convene a closed meeting to discuss elements of VEDP's Strategic Plan, Marketing Plan, and Operational Plan pursuant to Subdivision A 50 of §2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, which allows for the discussion of such activities that would reveal to Commonwealth's competitors for economic development projects the strategies intended to be deployed, thus adversely affecting the financial interests of the Commonwealth.

Return to Open Meeting, Certification of Closed Meeting – Followed by a Roll Call Vote:

Josh Kaplan, Attorney for VEDP, read the following certification and then conducted a roll call vote:

Do you certify, that to the best of your knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements of FOIA were discussed in the closed meeting, and (ii) only such matters as were identified in the motion to go into the closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered during the closed meeting?

Upon the vote:

Mr. House	Aye
Ms. Montgomery	Not present
Ms. Oman	Aye
Emily O'Quinn	Not present
Mr. Rush	Aye
Mr. Stone	Aye

Adjournment

The next meeting of the Legislation and Policy Committee will be held on March 18, 2026. There being no further business, Chair Stone adjourned the meeting at 2:02 pm.