



VIRGINIA INITIATIVE FOR  
**GROWTH &  
OPPORTUNITY**  
IN EACH REGION  
REGIONAL COUNCIL 9

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE  
FEBRUARY 14, 2025  
11:00 AM TO NOON**

**1001 Research Park Boulevard, Suite 301, Charlottesville, VA 22901  
IN-PERSON MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**Members Attending: Brian Cole (Chair), Christine Jacobs, Patrick Mauney, Jonathan Weakley  
Staff Attending: Shannon Holand, Helen Cauthen, Christie Taylor**

**1. Opening**

- Call to Order  
Brian Cole called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM.
- Roll Call  
A quorum was established, as noted above.
- Public Comment  
There were no public comments emailed or presented.

**2. Consent Agenda – ACTION ITEM**

- Meeting Minutes, June 3, 2024  
***Patrick Mauney made a motion to approve the Minutes as presented. Jonathan Weakley seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

**3. Nomination Reference Materials**

- Calendar  
Brian Cole reviewed the nominating calendar cadence.
- Packets:
  - Chamber and At-Large Nomination Forms.
  - GO Virginia Program, Council Structure and Roles – Overview
  - Grant Opportunities Flyer
  - List of Funded Projects  
Brian Cole shared that these forms will be posted online and shared via Linked In, Constant Contact, and other outreach. There was no further discussion on the forms.
- Terms  
Shannon reviewed the member term spreadsheet included in the meeting packet:  
Highlights include:
  - Public Sector Members
    - Andy Wade will no longer be eligible for another term
    - Jonathan Weakley is eligible for another term if reappointed by Rappahannock Rapidan Regional Commission
    - Ike Broaddus is eligible for another term since he just stepped in to complete another member's term (Bob Coiner).



- Jean Runyon is completing her first term. Usually, the community colleges take turns in serving, however, Jan Gullickson is retiring, so it is unclear how they will want to proceed. Jean is eligible for another term.
- Private Sector:
  - Tom Click will reach his term limit.
  - Brian Cole will reach his term limit.
  - Tom Thorpe is eligible for another term since he just completed the term for the seat vacated by Jim Cheng.
  - Giselle Curtis is eligible for another term.

#### **4. Discussion**

- Recruitment

Brian Cole asked committee members for input on strategic recruitment of nominees. The discussion centered around trying to ensure the replacement of the expertise of the council members that are leaving, such as finding a manufacturing leader to replace one who is leaving. Also, a focus should be placed on ensuring we have geographic representation and expertise in target industries.

- Next Chair and Nominating Committee

It was suggested to approach Ray Knott to serve on the nominating committee, since he will be rolling off soon.

- Next steps

Brian Cole has a potential contact for a nominee that he will pursue. Helen Cauthen had an idea for a nominee that she will pursue.

#### **5. Other Business**

No other business was presented.

#### **6. Adjourn**

Brian Cole adjourned the meeting at 11:45 AM.