

# GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS VIRGIN ISLANDS BOARD OF EDUCATION



## BOARD OFFICERS

Kyza A. Callwood, MPA  
**Chairman**

Winona A. Hendricks  
**Vice-Chairman**

Shawna K. Richards  
**Secretary**

**St. Croix Members**  
Winona A. Hendricks  
Terrence T. Joseph  
Emmanuella Perez-Cassius  
Shawna K. Richards

**St. Thomas/St. John Members**  
Kyza A. Callwood, MPA  
Judy M. Gomez, Esq.  
Nandi Sekou, Esq.  
Jeanette Smith-Barry

Angel Bolques, Jr.  
**At Large Member**

Stephanie J. Berry, PhD  
**Executive Director**

Emmett Hansen II  
**Associate Executive Director**

**St. Croix Office**  
1115 Strand Street  
Suite 201-B  
Christiansted, VI 00820  
Telephone No. 340-772-4144  
Fax No. 340-772-2895

**St. Thomas Office**  
P.O. Box 11900  
Dronningens Gade  
Nos. 60B, 61 & 62  
St. Thomas, VI 00801  
Telephone No. 340-774-4546  
Fax. No. 340-774-3384

**WEBSITE**  
[www.myviboe.com](http://www.myviboe.com)

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Friday, August 13, 2021  
St. Thomas, U. S. Virgin Islands  
3:00 p.m. via MS Teams

### I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the 20th Virgin Islands Board of Education was called to order at 3:01 p.m. by Chair Kyza Callwood.

### II. Roll Call

Board members present:

Mr. Kyza A. Callwood, Chairman  
Ms. Winona A. Hendricks, Vice Chair  
Mr. Terrence T. Joseph, Board Member  
Ms. Emmanuella Perez-Cassius, Board Member  
Ms. Jeanette Smith-Barry, Board Member  
Ms. Judy Gomez, Board Member  
Ms. Nandi Sekou, Board Member

Also Present:

Ms. Stephanie J. Berry, Executive Director  
Mr. Emmett Hansen II, Associate Exec. Director  
Ms. A. DeWindt, Bus and Fin, VIBE  
Ms. V. Parsons, Accountant, VIBE

Stenographer: Nadine Williams

### III. Approval of Agenda

**Motion by** Winona A. Hendricks to accept the Agenda for Friday, August 13, 2021, as presented.

**Seconded by** Emmanuella Perez-Cassius. No objections

### IV. Review and Approval of Minutes

- June 25, 2021 Regular Board meeting  
**Motion by** Winona A. Hendricks to accept the Minutes of June 25, 2021, with the corrections made.  
**Seconded by** Terrence T. Joseph  
No objections
- July 7, 2021 Special Board meeting

#### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Virgin Islands Board of Education is to provide leadership and oversight, set policy and advocate for continuous improvement of the Public Education System of the Virgin Islands of the United States.

#### VISION STATEMENT

Each child is provided with the best quality education which guarantees academic excellence, promotes our history and culture, and builds strong local and global communities.

**Motion by** Emmanuella Perez-Cassius to accept the Minutes of July 7, 2021. **Seconded by** Winona A. Hendricks. No objections

- July 29, 2021 Special Board meeting

**Motion by** Emmanuella Perez-Cassius to accept the Minutes of July 29, 2021. **Seconded by** Winona A. Hendricks. No objections

## V. Correspondence

## VI. Executive Director's Report

- Management Report

**Motion by** Winona A. Hendricks to extend the Coronavirus Supplemental Scholarship to August 30, 2022 and for the staff to develop a format for data collection. **Seconded by** Emmanuella Perez-Cassius.

**Objection by** Jeanette Smith-Barry: two-week extension doesn't have a very big impact.

**Motion carried:** 6 yeas, 2 absent and 1 not voting

- Disaster Recovery Update
- Business and Finance report

## VII. Standing and Ad-Hoc Committees' Reports

## VIII. New Business

- Review and approval of professional staff certification candidate lists for St. Croix and St. Thomas/St. John districts  
**Motion by** Kyza A. Callwood for approval from the Board for these candidate certification to be processed. **Seconded by** Jeanette Smith-Barry. No objection.

## IX. Public Comments


## X. Executive Session

## XI. Adjournment

**Motion By** Terrence T. Joseph to end the meeting.

**Seconded by** Kyza A. Callwood.

Meeting adjourned 5:11 p.m.

Submitted By:   
Stephanie J. Berry, PhD - Executive Director