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WHRO PUBLIC MEDIA APPOINTS SEVEN NEW BOARD MEMBERS

WHRO Public Media serving southeastern Virginia welcomes seven new Board members for 3-year terms.



Dr. John Dever, President of Thomas Nelson Community College, brings an extensive background in higher education and workforce development. He also serves on the boards for the Peninsula Council for Workforce Development, the Urban League of Hampton Roads, and the Virginia Tidewater Consortium for Higher Education.



Mr. Lee D. Entsminger is retired from a 34-year career with ExxonMobil as a geoscientist and leader in the petroleum industry. He has served on the Old Dominion University College of Sciences Advisory Board since 2006, and currently is the Vice-Chair of the Strome College of Business Executive Advisory Council and Entrepreneurship Committee Chair.



Mr. John B. Maddux Jr. is President of RRMM Architects focusing on design of educational facilities as a “learning environment.” He also serves on the Board of Greater Norfolk Corporation’s Comprehensive CTE HS Task Force, Norfolk Education Foundation and Chesapeake Education Foundation.



Mrs. Andria McClellan is a community volunteer and civic leader serving as the Governor’s appointee to Chair the Virginia Small Business Advisory Board from 2003-2005. She is a Commissioner for the City of Norfolk, and currently serves on the Boards of The Up Center, CIVIC Leadership Institute, Family & Children’s Trust Fund of Virginia, Virginia Coastal Coalition, and Better Together Norfolk.



Dr. Cassandra Newby-Alexander is Director of the Center for the African Diaspora at Norfolk State University. She has appeared in nationally-released documentaries, including Henry Louis Gates' *Many Rivers to Cross*, C-SPAN's "*Race, Slavery, and the Civil War*," the History Channel's *Jamestown, America's 400th Anniversary: The African American Imprint on America*, the WHRO documentary, *Code Switching*, and C-SPAN's "*Massive Resistance*" panel. She has published much on the history of African Americans in Virginia including her soon-to-be released co-authored book on the history of blacks in Norfolk -- *I Too, Am Norfolk*. She has served on the Historical Commission for the Supreme Court of Virginia, Virginia Foundation for the Humanities, and Norfolk Education Foundation.



Dr. James T. Roberts is Superintendent of Chesapeake Public Schools and devoted his entire professional career to children and citizens of Hampton Roads. He is also an adjunct instructor for Virginia Tech, and previously served as adjunct instructor for Old Dominion University and George Washington University. Dr. Roberts is a member of the Virginia Association of School Superintendents and the American Association of School Administrators.



Mr. J. Scott Wheeler is Founder and President of Bay Diesel Corporation. He serves on the Board of Governors for the Virginia Maritime Heritage Foundation, SunTrust Bank Regional Advisory Board, the Board for the World Affairs Council of Greater Hampton Roads, and is a past member of the Board of Governors for the Propeller Club, and Port of Norfolk.

About WHRO: Since it's founding in 1961 to support education, WHRO has employed creativity and technology to serve the residents of southeast Virginia in its mission to educate, inform and entertain viewers and listeners of WHRO's four public television and eight public radio stations. Owned by 19 southeastern Virginia school divisions, WHRO also delivers online educational and new media services to 286,000 students and 25,000 educators per month.

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