

2008 VASS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OVERVIEW
“Think Globally; Educate Locally”
May 4-7 – Hotel Roanoke

SUNDAY, MAY 4

- 1:00 PM Golf Tournament – *Hanging Rock Golf Course*
- 5:00 – 7:00 PM Registration – *Roanoke Ballroom Foyer*
- 5:00 – Until VRSI Hospitality Suite – *Suite 467/474*
- 5:30 – 6:30 PM VASS Board of Directors Meeting – *Virginia Room*
- Dinner on Your Own
- 6:00 – 8:00 PM Reception and Entertainment – *Roanoke Ballroom Foyer*
- 7:00 – 11:00 PM Cortez Management Hospitality Suite – *Suite 267/274*

MONDAY, MAY 5

- 7:30 – 8:30 AM Superintendent’s Advisory Council Breakfast Meeting – *Virginia Room*
- 7:30 – 8:30 AM Breakfast Buffet – *Exhibit Hall*
- 8:45 – 9:00 AM Opening Remarks – *Roanoke A/B*
Thomas Smith, VASS President and Superintendent of Schools,
Fluvanna County

21ST CENTURY LEARNING

- 9:00 – 10:00 AM Keynote Presentation – **“Building Intellectual Capital In Virginia”** –
Aneesh Chopra, Secretary of Technology, Commonwealth of Virginia
(confirmed)
- 10:00 – 11:00 AM Feature Presentation – **“The Future is Now: Promoting 21st Century
Learning in the Classroom”**–
Alan November, Senior Partner, November Learning (confirmed)
- 11:00 – 11:30 AM Break – *Exhibit Hall*
- 11:30 – 12:30 AM Feature Presentation continued
- 12:30 – 2:00 PM Luncheon Speaker – **“Designing for Innovations in Education”** –
Bruce Jilk, international consultant on the design of innovative
learning environments (confirmed)
Crystal Ballroom
- 2:00 – 2:15 PM Break
- 2:15 – 3:45 PM Workshop Presentation – **“Developing a Division Framework for 21st
Century Learning”** – overview of VASS retreat for school division
leadership teams planned for this summer, 2008
Roanoke A/B
Dan Mulligan (confirmed)

- 3:45 – 4:30 PM Presentation/Demonstration – **“Engaging the Next Generation of Scientists”** –
Roanoke A/B **Caleb Schutz**, CEO, The Jason Project (confirmed)
- 5:30 – 6:30 PM Reception and Entertainment at *Awful Arthur’s*
- 8:30 – 11:00 PM Casino Night with Cash Bar and DJ – *Exhibit Hall*

TUESDAY, MAY 6

- 7:30 – 8:30 AM Breakfast Buffet – *Exhibit Hall*
- 8:30 – 9:30 AM Partners' Breakfast – *Virginia Room*
- 8:30 – 9:00 AM VASS Annual Meeting – *Roanoke A/B*

21ST CENTURY HUMAN RESOURCES

- 9:00 – 9:45 AM Keynote Presentation – **“Improving Public Education for the New World Economy”** –
Roanoke A/B **Mark Warner**, former Governor of Virginia and candidate for U.S. Senate (invited)
- 9:45 – 10:45 AM Dialogue Session – **“What We Have Here, Is an Opportunity to Communicate: School Division Needs & Higher Ed Preparation”** –
(questions submitted in advance by regions)
Virginia McLaughlin, Dean, William & Mary School of Education (confirmed)
Rebecca Kneedler, Associate Dean, University of Virginia Curry School of Education (confirmed)
Phillip Wishon, Dean, James Madison University School of Education (confirmed)
- 10:45 – 11:00 AM Break

21ST CENTURY LEARNING SPACE

- 11:00 – Noon Breakout Session – **“The High School of the Future”** –
TBA **Mary Cullinane**, Manager of Microsoft’s Partners in Learning Program (invited)
- Breakout Session – **“Virtual Schools”** –
Roger Collins, Superintendent of Schools, Nelson County (confirmed)
Paul Stapelton, Superintendent of Schools, Halifax County (to be invited)
- Breakout Session – **“Green Schools & 21st Century Schools”** –
Chuck Bishop + Architect, Superintendent of Schools, Radford City (confirmed)
Len Gereau + Architect, Former Superintendent, Franklin County (to be invited)
- Lunch on Your Own
- 1:00 – 4:00 PM Optional Tour: **Leonard A. Gereau Career and Technical Education Center**, Rocky Mount

- 2:00 – 3:00 PM Optional Session: **“Negotiating Your Contract”** –
Roanoke A/B **Craig Wood**, Partner, McGuire Woods
- 3:00 – 4:00 PM Optional Session: **“Superintendents’ Compensation & Contracts”** –
Representatives from TCG Consulting
- 5:30 – 7:00 PM Reception – *Exhibit Hall*
- 7:00 – 9:00 PM Annual Awards Banquet – *Crystal Ballroom*

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

- 7:30 – 8:30 AM Continental Breakfast – *Roanoke Ballroom Foyer*
- 9:00 – 11:00 AM Workshop Presentation – **“What to Do When You’re the 6 o’clock
News”** – a media relations training workshop that may become a new
VASS membership service
Bill Oglesby, Bill Oglesby Media Consulting, Inc.