Byron C. Hulsey, a 1986 graduate of Woodberry Forest School and a former member of the faculty, became the school's ninth headmaster on July 1, 2014.

Dr. Hulsey is an experienced educator and leader who possesses a love of learning, a passion for excellence, and a deep and abiding respect for the culture and traditions of Woodberry Forest School. Before returning to Woodberry, he served as head of school at Randolph School in Huntsville, Alabama, for eight years.

As a Woodberry student, Dr. Hulsey was senior prefect; he received the Archer Christian Memorial Medal, the school's highest student honor, in 1986. He was a Jefferson Scholar at the University of Virginia, where he earned his undergraduate history degree in 1990. Following graduation, he taught for two years at Bryanston School, a boarding school in Blandford, England, before returning to his native Texas to earn MA and PhD degrees from the University of Texas at Austin as a Patterson-Banister Fellow in American History. He is the author of Everett Dirksen and His Presidents: How a Senate Giant Shaped American Politics, published in 2000 by the University Press of Kansas.

Dr. Hulsey joined the Woodberry faculty in 1998. He served as assistant director of college counseling, taught history, coached basketball and baseball, and lived on dorm. He returned to the University of Virginia in 2000 as associate director of the Jefferson Scholars Foundation. Three years later, his deep interest in secondary education called him to Norfolk Academy, where he served as assistant headmaster. He moved to Randolph School in 2006.

Dr. Hulsey met his wife, Jennifer, in graduate school at the University of Texas at Austin. Mrs. Hulsey earned BA and MA degrees in American history there, later working for the National Endowment for the Humanities and for Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's home. Dr. and Mrs. Hulsey and their children, Ben and Claire, live in the historic Residence on the campus of Woodberry Forest School.