



PRELIMINARY AGENDA as of 11/9/09

2010 ECS Commissioners Meeting

January 6-8, 2010

New Orleans, LA

Wednesday, January 6

- 11:00 am – 6:30 pm Registration Desk Open
- 2:00 – 3:30 pm **Standing Committee Meetings**
Nominating Committee Meeting
National Forum Planning Committee Meeting
Finance Committee Meeting
- 3:45 – 5:15 pm **Executive Committee Meeting**
- 5:30 – 6:15 pm **Steering Committee Business Session**
Commissioners not on the committee are encouraged to attend
- 6:15 – 7:00 pm **Commissioners' Welcome Reception** (dinner on your own)

Thursday, January 7

- 7:00 am – 5:30 pm Registration Desk Open
- 7:30 – 8:30 am **Buffet Breakfast**
- 8:30 – 9:00 am **Welcome and Opening Plenary**
Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty, 2008-10 ECS Chair
Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal (invited)
- 9:00 – 10:30 am **Round Robin #1**
Reducing the number of students leaving high school requiring remediation before they are ready for work or college
- 1) Florida Department of Education Early Assessment and Intervention Strategy
Presenter: *Judith Bilsky*, Executive Vice Chancellor, Division of Florida Colleges, Florida Department of Education
 - 2) Minnesota Dropout Prevention Initiative
Presenter: *Cammy Lehr*, Education Specialist, Office of School Improvement and Accountability, Minnesota Department of Education
 - 3) Virginia's strategy for reducing remediation
Presenter: *Patricia Wright*, State Superintendent, Virginia Department of Education

10:30 – 10:45 am	Break
10:45 – 12:15 pm	<p>Round Robin #2 <i>Strategies to accelerate the retooling of the current adult workforce</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Arkansas Department of Higher Education Career Pathways Initiative Presenter: <i>Karen Wheeler</i>, Associate Director, Arkansas Department of Higher Education 2) Washington State Board of Community and Technical College's I-BEST program Presenter: <i>Tina Bloomer</i>, Policy Associate, Washington State Board of Community and Technical Colleges 3) Louisiana Board of Regents' Continuum for All Louisiana Learners Presenter: <i>Larry Tremblay</i>, Associate Commissioner for Planning, Research, and Performance, Louisiana Board of Regents
12:15 – 1:45 pm	<p>Plenary Lunch <i>Speaker: To be finalized</i></p>
1:45 – 2:00 pm	Break
2:00 – 3:30 pm	<p>Round Robin #3 <i>Strategies to ensure alignment between the workforce and labor demands</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Ohio Board of Regents' Ohio Skills Bank Presenter: <i>William Russell</i>, Associate Vice Chancellor, Adult Education and Institutional Collaboration, Ohio Board of Regents and <i>Tom Felrath</i>, former director of Ohio Skills Bank 2) Central Upstate New York's implementation of Strategic Compass (invited) 3) Wisconsin Technical College System (invited)
3:30 – 3:45 pm	Break
3:45 – 5:00 pm	Discussion – <i>State Innovation: i3Funding Coalitions</i>
5:00 – 6:00 pm	Reception (Dinner on your own)

Friday, January 8

7:00 am – 12:00 pm	Registration Desk Open
7:30 – 8:30 am	Buffet Breakfast
8:30 – 9:30 am	<p>Panel Session <i>Panelists: U.S. Dept. of Labor and Dept. of Education officials (invited)</i></p>
9:30 – 9:45 am	Break
9:45 – 10:45 am	Round Robin #4

Using Data to Hit the Mark on Workforce Development and Work-Ready/College-Ready Students

10:45 – 12:15 pm

Discussion – *Common Core State Standards: Getting Ready*

Facilitator: *Rick Melmer*, Dean, School of Education, University of South Dakota and former Secretary, South Dakota Department of Education

12:15 – 1:15 pm

Lunch

No Speaker