

**The U.S. Conference of Mayors
Workforce Development Council
National Center on Education and the Economy
WDC Board Meeting/20th Annual Congressional Forum**

St. Gregory Hotel & Suites
2033 M Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036

Draft Agenda
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Monday, September 22, 2008

(St. Gregory, Rooms "A&B")

8:15 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. **Welcome**

ROBERT SAINZ

Assistant General Manager
Community Development Department
City of Los Angeles
WDC President

9:00 – 9:15 a.m. **Legislative Update/Outline of Congressional Forum**

KATHY AMOROSO

Assistant Executive Director
The U.S. Conference of Mayors

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

The Keys to Effective Advocacy on Capitol Hill (cont'd)

COLIN WELLENKAMP (Confirmed)
Vice President
Washington Linkage Group
City of Baltimore
City of Philadelphia

2:00 – 3:15 p.m.

PEER-TO-PEER BEST PRACTICE SESSION

Public/Private Partnerships – Connecting to Business

The AT&T Workforce Readiness Initiative

HOWARD PEAK (Invited)
Executive Director
AT&T

Global Corporate College & Channel Partners

ALLISON MOTZ (Confirmed)
Director for Entry Level Workers and Community Partnerships
Global Corporate College

ANTON BLUMBERG (Confirmed)
Chief Human Capital Officer
Human Capital Academy
Chief Executive Officer
Solutions Infusion

2:45 – 3:00 p.m.

Break

3:00 – 4:45 p.m.

PEER-TO-PEER BEST PRACTICE SESSION (cont'd)

Summer Jobs Are Everyone's Business

KAREN SITNICK (Confirmed)
Director
Office of Employment Development
City of Baltimore

Connecting to Business: Partnering with Qualcomm

MARK CAFFERTY (Confirmed)
President and CEO
San Diego Workforce Partnership, Inc.

4:45 p.m.

Adjourn

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Opening Reception

(St. Gregory Hotel Lounge)

7:00 p.m.

Board Dinner
(Indebleu, 707 G Street NW)

Tuesday, September 23, 2008

(St. Gregory, Rooms "A&B")

8:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 9:15 a.m.

Welcome

ROBERT SAINZ
Assistant General Manager
Community Development Department
City of Los Angeles
WDC President

RAY UHALDE
Director
Workforce Development Strategies Group
National Center on Education and the Economy

JOHN COLBERT
Senior Counsel
Workforce Development Strategies Group
National Center on Education and the Economy

9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

PREPARING FOR THE 2009 WHITE HOUSE TRANSITION
Workforce Development Policy Under a McCain Administration

MCCAIN CAMPAIGN REPRESENTATIVE

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Break

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

PREPARING FOR THE 2009 WHITE HOUSE TRANSITION
Workforce Development Policy Under an Obama Administration

EDWARD MONTGOMERY (Confirmed)
Dean
College of Behavioral and Social Sciences
University of Maryland

11:30 – 12:15

Lunch

Address:

FORECASTING THE ELECTION AND ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR WORKFORCE

JOHN COLBERT
Senior Counsel
Workforce Development Strategies Group
National Center on Education and the Economy

12:15 p.m.

BOARD BUS FOR MEETINGS AT THE U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
(*Capitol Bldg., SC-6 Room*)

Second Stimulus/FY '08 Budget and Outlook for FY '09 - House

TERI BERGMAN (Invited)
Majority Professional Staff
Subcommittee on Labor-HHS, Educations
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives

MARK LAISCH (Confirmed)
Majority Professional Staff
Subcommittee on Labor-HHS, Educations
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. Senate

2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Workforce Policy Outlook for the 111th Congress – WIA, Higher Education and Green Jobs

Facilitator:

ROBERT SAINZ
Assistant General Manager
Community Development Department
City of Los Angeles
WDC President

Panel:

MICHELE VARNHAGEN (Confirmed)
Senior Labor and Benefits Counsel
Committee on Education and Labor
U.S. House of Representatives

RICARDO MARTINEZ (Confirmed)
Policy Advisor
Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning and Competitiveness
Committee on Education and Labor
U.S. House of Representatives

2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

**Workforce Policy Outlook for the 111th Congress – WIA,
Higher Education and Green Jobs (cont'd)**

KIRSTEN DUNCAN (Confirmed)
Professional Staff
Committee on Education and Labor
U.S. House of Representatives

3:00 p.m.

Presentation of Distinguished Service Award to Senator Murray

The U.S. Conference of Mayors

KRIS STADELMAN
CEO

Workforce Development Council of Seattle-King County

The National Center on Education and the Economy

MICHAEL KENNEDY
Executive Director
Pacific Mountain WDC

Keynote Address

THE HONORABLE PATTY MURRAY (Confirmed)
Chair
Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety
Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions
U.S. Senate

3:30 -4:00 p.m.

**Workforce Policy Outlook for the 111th Congress – WIA,
Higher Education and Green Jobs – (cont'd)**

Panel:

GERRI FIALA (Confirmed)
Majority Staff Director
Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety
Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions
U.S. Senate

BETH BUEHLMANN (Confirmed)
Minority Education Policy Director
Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions
U.S. Senate

4:00 – 4:45 p.m.

Reshaping the Workforce System - TAA Reauthorization and Implications for the Workforce System

HUN QUACH (Confirmed)
International Trade Analyst
Committee on Finance
U.S. Senate

VIJI RANGASWAMI (Invited)
Deputy Staff Director
Subcommittee on Trade
House Ways and Means Committee
U.S. House of Representatives

4:45 p.m.

Wrap-up Discussion and Next Steps

5:00 p.m.

Adjourn