

**The U.S. Conference of Mayors
Workforce Development Council (WDC)
Board and Annual Winter Meeting**

January 16-17, 2009

**Capital Hilton
16th & K Streets NW
Washington, D.C.**

**Draft Agenda
(12/18/2008 8:18 AM)**

Friday, January 16

(Room TBD)

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Welcome and President's Report**

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

WDC Business

- Membership Report
- Budget
- Calendar

Resource Committee Update

JOAN CRIGGER
Senior Consultant
The U.S. Conference of Mayors

9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	<p>Legislative Update</p> <p>KATHY AMOROSO Assistant Executive Director The U.S. Conference of Mayors</p>
9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	<p>Obama/Biden Transition and Workforce Development</p> <p>JOHN COLBERT (Confirmed) Partner Moss, McGee, Bradley and Colbert</p>
10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	<p>Break</p>
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon	<p>Second Economic Stimulus/FY '09 Appropriations Outlook</p> <p>MARK LAISCH (Invited) Majority Professional Staff Subcommittee on Labor-HHS, Education Committee on Appropriations U.S. Senate</p> <p>TERI BERGMAN (Invited) Majority Professional Staff Subcommittee on Labor-HHS, Education Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives</p>
12:00 – 1:30 p.m.	<p>Working Lunch: Positioning the Local Workforce System as the Delivery Structure for the Economic Stimulus – Strategic Discussion</p>
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.	<p>Workforce Outlook for the 111th Congress</p> <p>Panel:</p> <p>GERRI FIALA (Invited) Majority Staff Director Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions U.S. Senate</p> <p>BETH BUEHLMANN (Invited) Minority Education Policy Director Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions U.S. Senate</p>

1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Workforce Outlook for the 111th Congress (cont'd)

Panel:

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

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

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

WDC Strategic Communications Plan Update

6:30 p.m.

WDC Board Dinner
ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED
(Spezie, 1736 L Street NW)

Saturday, January 17

(Room TBD)

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

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

Election of Officers and Board of Trustees

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Legislative Strategy Discussion: Maximizing the WDC Strategic Communications Plan

MICHAEL GRITTON
Executive Director
KentuckianaWorks
WDC Vice President

RALPH SINISTRO
One Stop Manager
Summit County Department of Jobs and Family Services
Co-Chair, Advocacy Committee

11:00 a.m.

Break

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Mayors Jobs, Education and the Workforce Standing
Committee Meeting**

Open: FRANCIS G. SLAY
Mayor of St. Louis, Chair

Putting People Back to Work: Chicago LEADS

Remarks: RICHARD M. DALEY (Invited)
Mayor of Chicago

EMILY BARTON (Confirmed)
Executive Director
Teach for America - D.C. Region

MICHELE MCLAUGHLIN (Confirmed)
Vice President
Federal and State Policy
Teach for America

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Keynote Address

THE HONORABLE JOHN YARMUTH (Invited)
Education and Labor Committee
U.S. House of Representatives

2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Aligning Workforce and Adult Education

MICHAEL HOLMES (Confirmed)
Executive Director
St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment

JAMES F. MCKENNEY (Invited)
Vice President of Economic Development and
International Programs
American Association of Community Colleges

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

GreenPrint Providence

Providence’s first-ever, strategic plan for creating a more sustainable city government and accelerating the green economy with Greenprint Providence. The wide-ranging plan contains a number of initiatives designed to help position Providence at the leading edge of a green economy poised for explosive growth.

ROBERT RICCI, ESQ. (Invited)
Administrator
Workforce Solutions of Providence/Cranston

THE HONORABLE DAVID CICILLINE (Invited)
Mayor of Providence

6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

**Mayors’ Opening Reception/Dinner
(All Registered Meeting Participants)**