



The National Association of State Workforce Investment Board Chairs

**2013 Winter Meeting – February 22-24
Liaison Hotel, Washington, DC**

“Delivering the Skilled Workers Business and Industry Needs”

AGENDA OUTLINE

Friday – February 22

WORKFORCE SYMPOSIUM

- 12:00 – 1:30 pm **Joint Luncheon with the National Association of State Liaisons for Workforce Development Partnerships**
- Topic: Washington and NGA Update**
Speakers:
Joan Wodiska, Director, Education and Workforce Committee, National Governors Association
NGA Center Staff
- 1:30 – 3:00 pm **Topic: *Building the Public Systems to Deliver the Skilled Workers Business and Industry Needs: The Future of Workforce Development Policy***
- Panelists:**
Jane Oates, Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor
Johan Uvin, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Vocational and Adult Education, U.S. Department of Education
Matt Erskine, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce (invited)
- 3:00 – 3:30 pm **Break**
- 3:30 – 5:00 pm **Topic: The Myths and Realities of the Skills Gap**
Speakers:
Peter Cappelli, Professor of Management and Director of the Center for Human Resources at the Wharton School and the author of "Why Good People Can't Get Hired: The Myth of the Skills Gap."
Paul Harrington, Director, Center for Labor Markets and Policy, Drexel University
Eric Groshen, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor (invited)

6:00 – 8:00 pm **Reception**

Saturday – February 23

7:00 – 8:00 am **Breakfast**

8:00 – 10:30 am **Topic: *Connecting Workforce and Economic Development with Education through the Convergence of Sector Strategies, Career Pathways and Industry Clusters***

Facilitated Discussion:

Garrett Grove, Senior Policy Analyst, National Governors Association
Lindsey Woolsey, Workforce Consultant, The Woolsey Group

10:30 – 11:00 am **Break and Travel to the NGA Meeting**

11:00 am – 12:30 pm **NGA Winter Meeting – Opening Session (JW Marriott Hotel)**

Topic: *“Bottom Line” Benefits of Employing Individuals with Disabilities*
Keynote Speaker: *Gregory D. Wasson*, President/CEO, Walgreen Co.

12:30 pm **Shuttle Back to the Liaison Hotel**

1:00 – 2:15 pm **Chairs’ Luncheon**

Welcoming Remarks: *Joe Bevilacqua*, Chair, State Workforce Board Chairs Association and Chair, Massachusetts State Workforce Investment Board
Special Guest: *Ron Painter*, CEO, National Association of Workforce Boards

2:15 – 3:15 pm **Topic: *“Taking Action for America: A Skilled and Prepared Workforce”***
Keynote speaker: *Dane Linn*, Vice President, Education and Workforce Committee, Business Roundtable

3:15 – 3:30 pm **Break**

3:30 – 5:30 pm **Chairs-only and Staff-only Sessions**
Format: Peer-to-Peer Exchange and Discussion

5:30 – 7:00 pm **Reception**

Sunday - February 24

7:30 – 8:30 am **Breakfast**

8:30 – 10:00 am **Topic: *Moving from Strategic Thinking to Strategic Planning to Strategic Action: A SWIB Strategic Plan to Deliver the Skilled Workers Business Needs – Featuring the Kentucky and Oregon SWIBs’ Strategic Planning Models***

Facilitated by:

Tom West, Executive Director, Kentucky SWIB, and
Greg White, Workforce Consultant and Former Executive Staff, Oregon SWIB

10:00 – 10:30 am **Break**

10:30 – 12:00 pm

Business Meeting – *Defining an Action Agenda*

12:00 pm

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