



Session 6: Workforce and Education

Date: January 13, 2012

(Friday—note day change from normal Thursday)

Location: UMR, Room 417

Agenda

Session Chairs: Melissa Brinkman-Custom Alarm, 2001
Christina Stevens-Olmsted County District Court, 2009

Planning Committee: Jody Schaber, Workforce Development 2010; Jodi Yanda, DEED, 2009; Carissa Gisi, Express Employment Professionals, 2011; and Teresa Ipina, College of St. Scholastica, 2008.

Overview: *Dig deeper into our education system from “cradle to career” and discover what Rochester is doing to help grow, attract and retain the competitive workforce that our businesses need to succeed. Additionally, we will explore the impact of a flexible culture on productivity, health and effectiveness of our workforce.*

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Breakfast 7:45 a.m.

Welcome 8:00 a.m.

- Melissa Brinkman, LGR 2001, Alumni and Session Co-Chair
- Christina Stevens, LGR 2009, Alumni and Session Co-Chair

Minnesota Early Learning Foundation 8:05 a.m.

- The Honorable Duane Benson, Executive Director, Minnesota Early Learning Foundation; Board of Trustees, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

Transition to the panel (short break) 8:45 a.m.

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Early Childhood Parent-Child Educational Resources Panel Discussion (Christina to facilitate) 8:50 a.m.

- Pat Gannon, Executive Director, Child Care Resource and Referral/HeadStart
- Pam Meyers, Executive Director, Quarry Hill Nature Center
- Dawn Devine, New Director Minnesota Children’s Museum Rochester
- Amy Ward, Team Lead-Early Childhood Educational Services, Rochester Community Education

Break (sign up for tours) 9:45 a.m.

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Evolving Education Panel	10:00 a.m.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Josh Burton –Byron Public Schools- IT/Math • Bryan Berg-Dover Eyota Public Schools- Technology Coordinator • Jean Lubke-Rochester Public Schools-Exec Director Curriculum • Pam Bagniewski -Rochester Catholic Schools-Technology Integration Specialist 	
Depart for Tours	11:00 a.m.
Tours	11:15 a.m.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lincoln at Mann ▪ Rochester Health Sciences ▪ Rochester Off Campus—ROC ▪ Primrose School 	
Travel back from Tours	12:00 p.m.
<u>UMR- Room 417</u>	
Lunch (Debrief from Tours for part of lunch)	12:15 p.m.
Life Long Learning EXPO	1:00 p.m.
<u>UMR – Room 414</u>	
Emerging Workforce and the Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation	2:00 p.m.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Honorable Tim Penny, President and CEO, Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation 	
Break	2:45 p.m.
Workforce 2020 – College and Career Ready	3:00 p.m.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jess Ihrke, VP of Education & Workforce, Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce, LGR 2007 	
Workplace Culture –What does it mean to employees and employers in Rochester?	3:20 p.m.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jess Ihrke, VP of Education & Workforce, Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce, LGR 2007 • Eric Cleveland, Operations Manager , Mayo School of Graduate Medical Education, LGR 2008 	
Employer Panel Discussion—Life Long learning and Work place Flexibility	3:45 p.m.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jeff Jensen- Express Employment Professionals –General Manager ▪ Dave Johnson- Olmsted Medical Center-Human Resources Manager ▪ Phillip Zeccardi- Cardinal of Minnesota-Human Resources Manager 	
Debrief	4:45 p.m.
Evaluations and end of session	5:00 p.m.
Sociable—PappaGeorges	5:00-6:30 p.m.

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