2019 Meeting of the Southern Regional Education Board
and
68th Annual Legislative Work Conference
June 22-24, 2019 • Omni Richmond Hotel • Richmond, Virginia

*Education for a Transforming Workforce — Looking Forward, Starting Now*

*Presiding*
Governor John Bel Edwards, Louisiana
Chair, SREB
Saturday, June 22

All general sessions are in James River Salons CD
Registration: Top of the Grand 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

GENERAL SESSIONS
Presiding, Glen Johnson, Chancellor, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and Vice Chair, SREB; Representative John Carney, Kentucky, Chair, SREB Legislative Advisory Council

3:00-3:45 p.m. State of the States Report
Stephen Pruitt, President, SREB

3:45-5:30 p.m. Unprepared and Unaware
SREB’s report Unprepared and Unaware described a potential multi-generational crisis on a 10-year horizon. State policymakers need to consider actions now to prevent mass unemployment by 2030. The solution to this crisis will require a balanced approach to meet the needs of the workforce today and the future and the challenge of both K-12 and adult education.
Stephen Pruitt, President, SREB
Meagan Crowe, Policy Analyst, SREB
Stuart Andreason, Director, Center for Workforce and Economic Opportunity, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta
Fran Millar, former State Senator, Georgia
Senator Joyce Elliott, Arkansas

6:30 p.m. Reception and Dinner (James River Foyer, James River Salons AB)

Sunday, June 23

7:30-8:30 a.m. Breakfast Buffet (James River Salons AB)

7:30-8:30 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting (Potomac FG)
Presiding, Governor Edwards

9:00-10:00 a.m. Business Meeting of the Southern Regional Education Board (James River Salons CD)
All meeting participants are encouraged to attend.
The business meeting includes the report of the Executive Committee, the report of the nominating committee and the election of officers, and the report of the SREB President.
Presiding, Governor Edwards
Sunday, June 23 (continued)

GENERAL SESSIONS
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10:00-Noon  Transforming the Educator Workforce
As policymakers and education leaders address technology changes in the workforce, among their first challenges will be finding fully prepared teachers to help all students reach their academic and career goals. This session examines the struggle states report in balancing adequate numbers of teachers to fill classrooms with the need for high-quality teachers to ensure that students learn at high levels.

Joan Lord, Vice President for Education Data, Policy Research, and Programs, SREB
Andrew Lakis, Executive Director, Teach for America-Eastern North Carolina
Johnny Key, Commissioner of Education, Arkansas
Jodi Adams, Director, New Teacher Institute, Office of Career and Technical Education, Kentucky Department of Education, and Instructor, Department of Education and Human Development, University of Louisville

Noon  Luncheon for Meeting Participants (James River Salons AB)

1:45-3:45 p.m.  Transitions Into and Within the Workforce
States need to provide more young people with an education that connects the classroom with the workplace and prepares them for success in postsecondary education and in-demand careers. This session will focus on building bridges from secondary schools to postsecondary institutions and the workplace by creating rigorous, relevant career pathways driven by labor market demand. Topics will include strategic partnerships, career and college counseling, credentials of value and adult education.

Dale Winkler, Vice President for School Improvement, SREB
Senator Lindsey Tippins, Georgia
Ron Newcomb, President, Chattahoochee Technical College, Georgia
Jill Case-Wirth, Senior Vice President, WellStar Health System
Terri Tchorzynski, School Counselor, Calhoun Area Career Center, Michigan
Mary Taylor, Business and Industry Training Specialist, Kentucky Department of Education
Angel Malone, CTE State Director, South Carolina Department of Education

6:00 p.m.  Reception and Dinner
The reception is in the Magnolia Room and Wine Bar here in the Omni. Dinner will be at the Jefferson Hotel, 101 W. Franklin Street. Transportation will be provided from the Omni starting at 6:30.
Monday, June 24

7:30-8:30 a.m.  Breakfast Buffet (James River Salons AB)

7:30-8:30 a.m.  Legislative Advisory Council Breakfast and Business Meeting (Potomac E)
Presiding, Representative Carney

GENERAL SESSION
Presiding, Representative Carney

8:45-11:15 a.m.  Economic Mobility to Power a Strong Economy
A key component of a healthy economy is ensuring that education and labor provide for equity and economic mobility. States must have clear goals and scalable strategies to further economic mobility in an economy that will require new and different skills and backgrounds. These strategies should start in the early years and carry through employment. This session will explore how states can promote workforce equity for low- and middle-income families, first-generation postsecondary students, students of color and students from rural areas.

Cheryl Blanco, Vice President for Postsecondary Education, SREB
Jacqueline Brooks, Superintendent, Macon County Schools, Alabama
Nick Moore, Education Policy Advisory and Coordinator, Governor’s Office of Education and Workforce Transformation, Alabama
Dennis Donaldson, Physical Science Educator, Caesar Rodney High School, Delaware

11:15 a.m.  Closing Comments and Adjournment

11:30 a.m.  Luncheon (Lunch will be available in James River Salons AB)