



Council of the Great City Schools

Annual Legislative and Policy Conference

March 14 – 17, 2015

Mayflower Renaissance Hotel
1127 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20036

DRAFT AGENDA

All conference sessions take place in the Mayflower Hotel unless otherwise noted.

Saturday, March 14, 2015

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| 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | Conference Registration |
| 8:00 am – 10:00 am | Continental Breakfast |
| 9:00 am – 10:00 am | Fall Conference Planning Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>59th Annual Fall Conference in Long Beach</i> |
| 10:00 am – 11:00 am | Blue Ribbon Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Blue Ribbon Corporate Advisory Group</i>
(by invitation only) |
| 11:00 am – 12:00 pm | Policy Session: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Discussion of Education Issues at the State Level</i>
(school districts only) |
| 11:00 am – 12:00 pm | Committee Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Black Male Achievement Internal Advisory Committee</i> |
| 11:00 am – 1:00 pm | Buffet Lunch |
| 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm | Executive Committee Lunch and Meeting (closed session) |
| 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm | The ABCs of Federal Education Policy <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>A “primer” on education policy in Washington</i> |

- 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm** **Legislative Liaisons Meeting**
(school districts only)
- 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm** **Joint Meeting of the Task Forces:**
- *Achievement & Professional Development*
- 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm** **Joint Meeting of the Task Forces:**
- *Governance, Leadership, and Management & School Finance*
- 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm** **Task Force Meeting:**
- *English Language Learners and Bilingual Education*
- 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm** **New Members and Newcomers Orientation**
- 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm** **Welcome Reception at the Mayflower Hotel**

EVENING ON YOUR OWN

Sunday, March 15, 2015

- 7:30 am – 5:00 pm** **Conference Registration**
- 7:30 am – 9:30 am** **Breakfast Buffet**
- 8:30 am – 12:00 pm** **Board of Directors Meeting**
- *Spring Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Great City Schools*
- 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm** **Lunch and Speaker:**
- *The Honorable Arne Duncan
United States Secretary of Education*
- 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm** **General Meeting:**
- *Council of the Great City Colleges of Education*
- 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm** **Washington Update:**
- *Briefing from CGCS Legislative Staff*
- 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm** **California State Legislative and Budget Policy Discussion**
- 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm** **Reception at the Mayflower Hotel: “Taste of Long Beach”**

EVENING ON YOUR OWN

Monday, March 16, 2015

7:30 am – 3:00 pm **Conference Registration**

8:00 am – 9:00 am **Breakfast and Speaker**

9:00 am – 12:00 pm **Panel Discussions with Speakers**

Presentations with policymakers, including:

- *Staff from the House and Senate Education Committees*
- *Representatives from the U.S. Department of Education*
- *Representatives from other federal agencies*

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm **Lunch and Speaker**

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm **Congressional Office Visits**
(Make your own appointments)

6:00 pm – 7:30 pm **Reception at National Geographic Museum**

**Across the Street from
Mayflower Hotel**

EVENING ON YOUR OWN

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

8:00 am – 10:00 am **Breakfast Buffet and Speaker**

10:00 am – 12:00 pm **Debriefing with Council Staff**

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