

PENNSYLVANIA EDUCATION POLICY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

SESSION #1 OPENING RETREAT PART 1 AGENDA

Thursday, September 15, 2016
Radisson Hotel Harrisburg, Governor B and Veranda Rooms
1150 Camp Hill Bypass, Camp Hill, PA 17011

☞ The Opening Retreat of the 2016-2017 Fellowship Program is intended to “set the stage” for the discussions and activities of the year, and to give Fellows the opportunity to become better acquainted with each other. The first day of the Retreat is an introduction to EPLC and the Fellowship Program and provides a broad contextual analysis of Pennsylvania politics and the education policy issues to be considered by fellows during the next 10 months. ☞

- 11:30 a.m. **Registration/Lunch/Networking** – Governor B and Veranda Rooms, Radisson Hotel
- 12:00 p.m. **Getting Acquainted/Introduction to EPFP**
- Ron Cowell**
President, EPLC
- Mattie Robinson**
*Manager of Operations and Communications & EPFP
Co-Coordinator, EPLC
EPFP Class of 2010-2011*
- 1:00 p.m. **Politics, Elections, and Pennsylvania Public Policy**
- Dr. G. Terry Madonna**
Director, Center for Politics and Public Affairs, Franklin and Marshall College, Professor of Public Affairs, and Director, Franklin and Marshall College Poll
- 2:15 p.m. Break
- 2:30 p.m. **Changing Demographics in Pennsylvania**
- John R. Maurer**
*Research Data Management Specialist
The Pennsylvania State Data Center*
- 4:00 p.m. Break
- 4:15 p.m. Group Picture – move to the embankment outside the Radisson Hotel’s lobby entrance (between the hotel and the convention center building)
- Fellows**
- 4:45 p.m. **Setting the Stage: Fundamentals of Education Policymaking and Key Education Policy Issues**
Governor B
- Ron Cowell**
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner
Veranda Room (adjacent to Governor B)
- 8:00 p.m. Adjourn

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☞ The second day of the opening retreat introduces Fellows to some key players in education policymaking in the state, discusses the relationship between federal-state-local education policy, and provides insights into how education policy is made and who provides leadership in the process. ☞

8:30 a.m.	Opening Comments	Ron Cowell <i>EPFP Co-Coordinator</i>
9:00 a.m.	<i>The Role of the State Board of Education and the IRRC</i>	Karen Molchanow <i>Executive Director</i> <i>PA State Board of Education</i> <i>EPFP Class of 2007-2008</i>
10:00 a.m.	<i>The Role of School Districts and School Boards</i>	Nathan G. Mains <i>Executive Director</i> <i>PA School Boards Association</i> <i>EPFP Class of 2009-2010</i>
11:00 a.m.	Break	
11:15 a.m.	<i>The Role of Research in Education Policy</i>	Dr. Edward Fuller <i>Director</i> <i>Penn State Center for Education</i> <i>Evaluation and Policy Analysis</i> <i>Pennsylvania State University</i> <i>EPFP Class of 2011-2012</i>
12:30 p.m.	Lunch	
1:00 p.m.	<i>The Policy Players and the Process</i>	Ron Cowell, Moderator Charlie Gerow <i>CEO, Quantum Communications</i> <i>First Vice Chair, The American</i> <i>Conservative Union</i> Kelli Thompson <i>Assistant Director of Government</i> <i>Relations, Pennsylvania State</i> <i>Education Association</i> Brittany Crampsie <i>Associate, Triad Strategies</i> <i>Former Managing Editor,</i> <i>PoliticsPA.com</i> Mark S. Singel <i>President, The Winter Group</i> <i>Former Lieutenant Governor,</i> <i>Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>
3:00 p.m.	Reflections on Presentations	Fellows
3:30 p.m.	Adjournment	