



# Reimagining the Delta Workforce

## Summit: Illinois

John A. Logan College | Carterville, IL

Wednesday, October 29, 2014



### Registration

8:00 am to 9:00 am	<b>Registration and continental breakfast</b>
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### Summit Agenda

9:00 am to 9:15 am	<p><b>Welcome</b></p> <p>Assembling leaders in business and industry, education, and local and state governments, this summit will use the report <i>Future of the South: Reimagining Workforce Development</i> as the framework for the day's discussion.</p> <p>Panels will address the Challenges, needs, and opportunities to strengthen our region's workforce systems into an effective workforce pipeline of trained and skilled workers. This summit is about job creation, education, and economic development for the Delta region.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Federal Co-Chairman Chris Masingill, Delta Regional Authority</li> <li>• Designee William Stanhouse, DRA Board Member, Governor Pat Quinn</li> <li>• Ellen McCurdy, Senior Policy Director, Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity</li> </ul>
9:15 am to 10:45 am	<p><b>Re-imagining Workforce Development Report</b> A report sponsored and supported by DRA and compiled by the Southern Growth Policies Board</p> <p>Presentation of Report Findings.....Ted Abernathy, Economic Leadership LLC, Co-Arthur Reimagining Workforce Development</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Re-imagine Readiness</li> <li>2. Re-engage Adult Learners and Disconnected Youth</li> <li>3. Re-align Relationships and Resources</li> <li>4. Listening to the South</li> </ol>
10:45 am to 11:45 am	<p><b>The Educational and Career Training Stakeholder Perspective</b></p> <p>What is the role, focus, and responsibility of our state's educational institutions and stakeholders when building a workforce development system?</p> <p>What is the future of their partnership in trying to address current and future workforce needs?</p> <p>Where do the educational activities align and what are the opportunities for greater collaboration between education, economic development, and business and industry?</p>

	<p><b>Moderator: Brett Reiner, Mississippi River Transportation, Distribution &amp; Logistics Consortium/Lewis &amp; Clark Community College</b></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Mike Dreith, President, John A. Logan Community College</li> <li>• Matt Donkin, Regional Superintendent of Schools, Franklin-Williamson Regional Office of Education</li> <li>• Dr. Brian Chapman, Executive Assistant for External Affairs, Southern Illinois University</li> <li>• Bill Yeager, Training Director, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers</li> </ul>
11:45 am to 12:00 pm	<b>Break</b>
12:00 pm to 1:15 pm	<p><b>Lunch: Business &amp; Industry Roundtable</b></p> <p>A roundtable discussion centered on the needs of business &amp; industry and the challenges they face in retaining and recruiting skilled workers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Finding solutions for manufacturer's emerging workforce needs</li> <li>2. The role of business and industry in developing a skilled workforce</li> <li>3. Career paths, credentials, curriculum and training</li> <li>4. Industry recommendations for workforce training</li> </ol> <p><b>Moderator: Dale Fowler, Business Development Officer, Peoples National Bank</b></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Glenn Edwards, Executive Vice President-Human Resources, Aisin</li> <li>• Jim Smith, Vice President-CFO/CAO, Knight Hawk</li> <li>• Tom Heizer, Vice President of Operations, Spartan Light Metals</li> <li>• Tony Arbaney, Senior Manager for Sales &amp; Technical Service, Dry Systems Technologies</li> </ul>
1:15 pm to 1:30 pm	<b>Break</b>
1:30 pm to 3:00 pm	<p><b>Illinois Showcase</b></p> <p><b>Moderator: Deb Waldrop, Regional Manager for Workforce Development, IL Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Nursing Simulation Lab:</b> Woody Thorne (Vice President – Community Affairs), Southern Illinois Healthcare; Darren Pulley (Associate Dean) John A. Logan College; and Kathy Lively (Chief Executive Officer) ManTraCon</li> <li>2. <b>Mine Rescue Training Center/Fire Training Burn Tunnel:</b> Dr. Jonah Rice, (President) &amp; Karen Weiss (Dean of Career and Technical Education), Southeastern Illinois College</li> <li>3. Chris Nielsen, Dean of Applied Science, Rend Lake College</li> </ol>
3:00 pm to 3:15pm	<b>Wrap-up and Adjourn</b>