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Summer Meeting
July 2022

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THURSDAY

JULY 21, 2022

8:00 AM	REGISTRATION OPENS
8:00 - 9:30 AM Primrose AB	BREAKFAST BUFFET
9:30 - 10:00 AM Primrose AB	A MESSAGE FROM TACC BOARD CHAIR Dr. William Serrata, El Paso Community College
10:00 - 11:30 AM Primrose AB	LEGISLATIVE PANEL Rep. Trent Ashby, Texas House Member Rep. Ken King, Texas House Member Rep. Gary VanDeaver, Texas House Member Moderator: Sen. Florence Shapiro
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Primrose AB	LUNCH BUFFET
1:15 - 2:00 PM Primrose AB	HIGHER EDUCATION LEADERSHIP PLENARY Commissioner Harrison Keller, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
2:00 - 5:00 PM	RELAX + RECHARGE Optional Activity: Topgolf Transportation on your own Group reservation set from 2:30-4:30 PM
5:00 - 6:15 PM Primrose AB	OPEN TABLE DINNER DISCUSSION WITH COMMISSIONERS Dr. Mark Escamilla, Del Mar College Dr. Brenda Hellyer, San Jacinto College Dr. Brenda Kays, Kilgore College
6:15 - 6:30 PM Primrose AB	CEO SEARCH UPDATE Dr. Jeremy McMillen, Grayson College Dorothy Drummer, Search Consultant
6:30 - 7:00 PM 2nd Floor-Room 217	BREAK + HOSPITALITY SUITE OPENS Sponsored by Great Western Dining
7:00 - 9:00 PM Primrose Foyer	DR. MIMI VALEK + JOHN MAY WASHERS TOURNAMENT Don't forget to sign up at the registration table!
9:00 PM - 12:00 AM 2nd Floor-Room 217	HOSPITALITY SUITE Sponsored by Great Western Dining



JULY 22, 2022

7:30 - 9:00 AM

Primrose AB

BREAKFAST BUFFET

Sponsored by Texas Business Leadership Council

Guests: Please enjoy breakfast in the hotel lobby and lounge areas**8:00 - 9:00 AM**

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BUSINESS MEETING**9:00 - 11:00 AM**

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LEGISLATIVE STRATEGY SESSION**11:00 AM - 12:00 PM** **WORKFORCE PANEL**

Primrose AB

Bryan Daniel, Texas Workforce Commission
Dr. Mark Escamilla, Del Mar College
Justin Yancy, Texas Business Leadership Council

Moderator: Andres Alcantar

12:00 - 12:15 PM

Primrose AB

REGIONAL MEETINGS UPDATEAndres Alcantar, Consultant
Dr. Cynthia Ferrell, Texas Success Center**12:15 - 12:45 PM**

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PLATED LUNCH IS SERVED**12:45 - 1:00 PM**

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TEXAS PATHWAYS UPDATE

Dr. Cynthia Ferrell, Texas Success Center

1:00 - 1:30 PM

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AWARDS CEREMONY**1:30 - 1:45 PM**

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CLOSING REMARKS + ADJOURN**2:00 PM**

2nd Floor-Room 217

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**SAFE TRAVELS, EVERYONE!**

SPEAKERS



TRENT ASHBY

Representative Trent Ashby was sworn into the Texas House in January 2013. His district is comprised of Angelina, Houston, Leon, Madison, San Augustine, and Trinity Counties. And, beginning in January 2023, his new district will include Polk and Tyler Counties. He currently serves as the Chair of the House Select Committee on Constitutional Rights & Remedies, as well as a member of the House Committees on Appropriations and Transportation. This is his fourth term on the Appropriations Committee, having twice served as the Chairman of the Subcommittee that oversees higher and public education funding. In prior sessions, Trent has served as a member of the House Committees on Administration, Calendars, Defense & Veterans' Affairs, Natural Resources, and Public Education.

Born and raised on a dairy farm and diversified livestock operation in Rusk County, Ashby is a proud graduate of Henderson High School and Texas A&M University where he earned a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Economics. While at A&M, he was elected to the Student Senate, Class Treasurer, and Senior Yell Leader. Prior to being elected to the Legislature, Ashby served as President of the Lufkin ISD Board of Trustees. Today, he is Senior Vice President for VeraBank. He and his wife, Nickie, live in Lufkin with their two sons - Garin and Grant.



BRYAN DANIEL

Bryan Daniel serves as Chairman of the Texas Workforce Commission where he works to promote and support the growth of Texas' world class employers and talented workforce. To champion that goal, he advances innovative workforce and economic development strategies in collaboration with TWC's education partners, local officials, and industry leaders to establish Texas' competitive edge as the best place to work in the world.

Prior to joining TWC, Bryan served for four and half years on Texas Governor Greg Abbott's senior staff where he led the Office of Economic Development and Tourism - which included the Texas Enterprise Fund, Events Trust Fund, Governor's University Research Initiative, Texas Tourism Office, Texas Music Office, Texas Film Commission, Texas Workforce Investment Council, the Economic Development Bank, the Texas Military Preparedness Commission and the State of Texas Mexico Office.

Bryan's tenure as the Texas State Director for Rural Development for President George W. Bush and as Chief Administrator for Trade and Business Development at the Texas Department of Agriculture, along with his private sector experiences as a marketing executive and member of the board of directors, have provided him with valuable insights on economic development and workforce issues.



HARRISON KELLER

Dr. Harrison Keller is the Commissioner of Higher Education for the State of Texas and chief executive officer for the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

He is a sixth-generation Texan with more than two decades of experience in budget and policy, digital learning, senior university administration, management, fundraising, and building effective coalitions among school districts, community colleges, universities, systems, and policymakers.

Dr. Keller is a recognized innovator in policy and programs to improve college readiness and student success, especially for low-income and first-generation students. He is the founder of the OnRamps dual enrollment initiative that provides college-level courses to tens of thousands of high school students across Texas, and the Texas OnCourse initiative which aims to improve secondary college and career advising.

Prior to being appointed Commissioner, he was Deputy to the President for Strategy and Policy and a Professor of Practice at The University of Texas at Austin. He previously served as Vice Provost for Higher Education Policy and Research, and Executive Director of the Office of Educational Innovation and the Center for Teaching and Learning at UT Austin.



KEN KING

Ken King has served in the Texas House of Representatives for five terms and will begin his sixth term for House District 88 in January of 2023. After redistricting was passed during the last legislative session, his district expanded from 17 to 19 counties in the Panhandle and the South Plains of Texas. He currently serves as Chairman of the House Culture, Recreation and Tourism Committee and is a member of the House Public Education Committee. He also serves on the House Research Organization (HRO) Board of Directors. The HRO is an organization that provides unbiased information regarding each bill that is heard on the House floor. In addition to these committees, Ken is also a member of various caucuses in the House including: the Rural Caucus, the Republican Caucus, the Energy Caucus, the Texas Legislative Manufacturing Caucus and the Sportsman Caucus.

Prior to his election to the Texas Legislature, Ken served on the School Board for Canadian Independent School District for over five years presiding as President for half of that tenure. He was a board member of the Hemphill County Appraisal District's Executive Board for four plus years and served as Chairman of that board for over three years.

Ken was born and raised in Canadian, Texas. He and his wife, Robin, have two grown children. They are active members of the First United Methodist Church in Canadian and the KK-125 Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation.



GARY VANDEAVER

During the 87th Texas Legislature, Dr. Gary VanDeaver served his fourth term as the state Representative for Texas House District 1 that then included Bowie, Lamar, and Franklin and Red River counties. The redistricting of legislative districts in 2021 changed HD1 to include: Bowie, Cass, Lamar, Morris and Red River counties. House Speaker Dade Phelan appointed Rep. VanDeaver to continue serving on the House Committee on Appropriations and the House Committee on Public Education, which he has served since his first term in 2015. Last fall, Speaker Phelan appointed him to also serve on the Texas Commission on Community College Funding to make recommendations to the 88th legislature that convenes in January 2023.

Raised on a small family cattle operation near Clarksville, Texas, in Red River County, Gary learned the importance of a strong work ethic, a love for the land, and faith in God from an early age. Traditional values and a commitment to service continue to drive Gary in his daily work on behalf of the families and communities of his district.



JUSTIN YANCY

Justin Yancy joined the Texas Business Leadership Council (TBLC) as its President in July 2001. Established in 1994, the TBLC is a statewide network of CEOs and senior business executives who advance a long-term vision of a prosperous Texas in a globally competitive business environment. Justin is responsible for all aspects of the TBLC's mission and organization including advocating for its legislative agenda, coordinating public policy research, managing membership involvement, and overseeing general operations. Before joining the TBLC, Justin served in the administrations of Governors' George W. Bush and Rick Perry. From February 1995 to February 2001, he served as Director of International Protocol to the Governor and Secretary of State. During the 77th Legislative Session, Justin worked as a Policy Analyst in Governor Perry's Policy Office. Justin also serves as Executive Director of the Foundation for a Globally Competitive Texas, a nonprofit organization created by Texas business leaders to facilitate the growth of a prosperous Texas in a globally competitive business environment. Justin is as a member of several boards and organizations including State Business Executives, where he serves as Chairman, the Commissioner of Higher Education's Economic and Workforce Council, the Texas Student Success Council, the Texas Association of Community Colleges' Business Advisory Council, and the national State Business Roundtable Executives.

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HOSPITALITY SUITE

Thursday, July 21st
6:30 PM - 12:00 AM

Friday, July 22nd
2:00 PM - Close

Location: Presidential Suite
Room #217 (Second Floor)

Join us for drinks, food, and fun!
All TACC attendees plus their
guests are invited to join Great
Western Dining for the 2022
TACC Hospitality Suite!





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