



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Meetings are located on the lobby level, unless noted.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

MEETING

ACCT Board of Directors

Maryland Suites A, B, & C

3:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.

REGISTRATION

Convention Registration Desk 1

3:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

MEETING

National Council of State Association Chief Executives

Coolidge Room, Mezzanine Level

4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

MEETING

Illinois Community College Trustees Association Committees

Lincoln Suite 5, Exhibition Level

5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

STUDENT RECEPTION

Hosted by Pima Community College

Hoover Room, Mezzanine Level

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14

7:00 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.

REGISTRATION

Convention Registration Desk 1

8:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.

OPENING GENERAL SESSION

Marriott Ballroom, Salons 1, 2, & 3

Peter E. Sercer, Sr., Greetings

Chair, ACCT Board of Directors; Trustee,

Midlands Technical College, SC

Celia M. Turner, Introduction

Vice-Chair, ACCT Board of Directors; Trustee,

Mott Community College, MI



Penny Pritzker, Speaker
Chairman/CEO, Pritzker Realty Group; Chair,
Skills for America's Future

Penny Pritzker is an entrepreneur, civic leader, and philanthropist. For two years, she served on the President's Economic Recovery Advisory Board, which formulated and evaluated economic policy for the Obama Administration. She is the chair of Skills for America's Future (SAF), a public/private partnership that prepares workers for 21st century jobs. The aim of SAF is to foster a national network of partnerships among employers, labor unions, and community colleges, with a commitment to scaling meaningful and measurable solutions. SAF also provides a national voice on the effectiveness of public-private partnerships in a variety of areas: improving workforce skills, assessing industry-recognized credentials, and gauging employment outcomes of American workers and students.

Ms. Pritzker is Chairman of the board of the Chicago Public Education Fund and serves on the boards of several major financial, real estate, and hospitality corporations. Ms. Pritzker was National Finance Chair of the Obama for America Campaign and co-chair of the 2009 Presidential Inaugural Committee. She and her husband, Dr. Bryan Traubert, through The Pritzker Traubert Family Foundation, fund innovative initiatives to improve the quality of education, promote health and fitness, and support art and cultural activities. Ms. Pritzker earned her bachelor's degree in economics from Harvard University and J.D. and M.B.A. degrees from Stanford University.

9:00 A.M. – 9:45 A.M.

GENERAL SESSION

Marriott Ballroom, Salons 1, 2, & 3

Myrtle E. B. Dorsey, Introduction
Chair-Elect, AACC Board of Directors; Chancellor,
Baton Rouge Community College, LA



David Wessel, Speaker
Bureau Chief, *The Wall Street Journal*

David Wessel is economics editor for *The Wall Street Journal* and writes the Capital column, a weekly look at the economy and forces shaping living standards around the world. He is responsible for overseeing coverage of the Federal Reserve and the Journal's daily coverage of the macro economy, global trade, and economic trends. He appears frequently on National

Public Radio. Previously, Mr. Wessel was deputy bureau chief of *The Wall Street Journal's* Washington bureau. David joined *The Wall Street Journal* in 1984 in Boston and moved to Washington in 1987. In 1999 and 2000, he served as the newspaper's Berlin bureau chief.

He previously worked for the *The Boston Globe*, the *Hartford (Conn.) Courant*, and *The Middletown (Conn.) Press*. David has shared two Pulitzer Prizes, one for stories in *The*



Boston Globe in 1983 on the persistence of racism in Boston and the other for stories in *The Wall Street Journal* in 2002 on corporate wrong-doing. He is the co-author, with *Wall Street Journal* reporter Bob Davis, of *Prosperity*, a 1998 book on the American middle class.

David is a member of the advisory committee of the *Journal of Economic Perspectives*. He has served as a trustee of Temple Sinai in Washington, D.C., a member of the Committee for Economic Development's Research Advisory Board, and and serves on the advisory board of the Community College Research Center at Columbia University.

9:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

SEMINAR

Round Table for Community College Lawyers

Coolidge Room, Mezzanine Level

Ira M. Shepard, Moderator/Facilitator

ACCT General Counsel; Partner, Saul Ewing, LLP

William Warren, Panelist

Partner, Saul Ewing, LLP

This year's seminar will focus on the Federal "New Markets Tax Credit" subsidy program, a little-known federal program facilitating higher education finance of infrastructure projects. Some of these projects include classrooms, auditoriums, faculty and administrative offices, bookstores, dining facilities, day-care centers, or virtually any new commercial real estate infrastructure project related to a college's mission at below-market interest rates on a seven-year, interest-only basis, and capture an effective payback subsidy as high as 25-30%. Projects typically range in size from a minimum of \$10 million to over \$100 million.

The regular community college litigation update will also be covered, and CLE credit is available in more than 20 states.

10:15 A.M. – 11:45 A.M.

GENERAL SESSION

Overview of 2011 Community College Priorities

Thurgood Marshall Ballroom, Mezzanine Level

Jee Hang Lee, Moderator

ACCT Director of Public Policy, Washington, D.C.

David Baime, Panelist

AACC Senior Vice President for Government Relations and Research, Washington, D.C.

Jim Hermes, Panelist

AACC Director of Government Relations, Washington, D.C.

Bryce McKibben, Panelist

ACCT Public Policy Associate, Washington, D.C.

Laurie Quarles, Panelist

AACC Legislative Associate, Washington, D.C.

12:15 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.

GENERAL SESSION LUNCHEON*

Marriott Ballroom, Salons 1 & 2

Peter E. Sercer, Sr., Presiding
Chair, ACCT Board of Directors; Trustee,
Midlands Technical College, SC

John J. “Ski” Sygielski, Presiding
Chair, AACC Board of Directors; President,
Mt. Hood Community College, OR

J. Noah Brown, Greetings
President & CEO, ACCT, Washington, D.C.

Walter G. Bumphus, Greetings
President & CEO, AACC, Washington, D.C.



David Gregory, Speaker
Moderator, *Meet The Press*

When the major figures in Washington have to go before the country to discuss the current state of affairs in America, they must face David Gregory. With a reputation as a journalist who asks the tough questions, Gregory is the moderator of NBC's *Meet the Press*. In his former role as chief White House Correspondent, he led the network's coverage of the George W. Bush presidency. He has been a fixture on NBC Nightly News with Brian Williams, Today, MSNBC, and MSNBC.com. Gregory speaks candidly about covering the most powerful office in the world, and talks openly about the role of the popular media, its reputation, and its responsibilities as a form of mass communication.

In the fall of 2005, Gregory became a frequent substitute for Matt Lauer on Today. He has anchored the weekend editions of Nightly News and Today. As a political commentator, he can often be seen and heard on the Chris Matthews Show and Hardball.

2:15 P.M. – 3:15 P.M.

POLICY FOCUS SESSION

Federal Budget Challenges and Their Impact on Higher Education Funding

Thurgood Marshall Ballroom North & East, Mezzanine Level

Mary F.T. Spilde, Moderator
Immediate Past Chair, AACC Board of Directors; President,
Lane Community College, OR



Vic Klatt, Panelist

Principal, Penn Hill Group

For 20 years, Vic Klatt has helped shape nearly every major education initiative in Washington — as a senior education official in the executive branch, as the top education staff member in the U.S. House of Representatives, and now as a principal of Penn Hill Group. Before joining Penn Hill Group, Klatt worked at Van Scoyoc Associates, representing several large education groups. Klatt served three years as GOP Staff Director and seven years as Education Policy Director for the U.S. House Committee on Education and Workforce. He was also Deputy Assistant Secretary for Congressional Affairs at the U.S. Department of Education for Secretaries Lamar Alexander and Lauro Cavazos. He worked at the Republican National Committee and for Rep. Fred Upton (R-MI) as Deputy Staff Director and Press Secretary. Klatt has a bachelor's degree in political science from Kalamazoo College in southwest Michigan.

Robert L. Moran, Panelist

Director of Federal Relations and Policy Analysis,
American Association of State Colleges & Universities

Robert L. Moran spearheads efforts focused on advocating AASCU's federal policy positions with Capitol Hill, the Administration, and the Washington higher education community. Prior to his current position, Moran served as the Policy Analyst for affordability issues for the Under Secretary at the U.S. Department of Education; in that role, he developed and promoted Administration policy centered on Title IV and student aid issues. In addition, Moran served twelve years on Capitol Hill and worked on the 1998 reauthorization of the Higher Education Act. He holds a bachelor of science degree in mathematics and political science from Dickinson College, PA.

2:15 P.M. – 3:15 P.M.

POLICY FOCUS SESSION

Workforce Policy in a Changing Economy:

Reauthorizing the Workforce Investment Act & Beyond

Thurgood Marshall Ballroom South & West, Mezzanine Level

Eduardo Marti, Moderator

Member, AACC Board of Directors; Vice Chancellor for
Community Colleges, City University of New York, NY

Daniel Marschall, Panelist

Legislative & Policy Specialist for Workforce Issues, AFL-CIO

Daniel Marschall is Legislative and Policy Specialist for Workforce Issues at the AFL-CIO in Washington, D.C. He has been involved with the nation's employment and training system since the late 1970s, working at the local, state, and national levels. He worked as Research Coordinator for the City of Cleveland's Division of Economic Development. After serving as the head of Ohio's Dislocated Worker Program in the 1980s, he moved to the AFL-CIO Human Resources Development Institute. He also worked as Legislative Director for Congressman Dennis J. Kucinich when the Workforce Investment Act was passed in 1998.

He holds a Ph.D. from Lancaster University and a master's degree in communication and technology studies from Georgetown University. He also works as a professorial

lecturer in sociology at George Washington University. In his current position at the AFL-CIO, he handles legislation and policy related to workforce development, trade adjustment assistance, economic development related to green jobs, and worker adjustment to federal climate change legislation.

Jennifer McNelly, Panelist

Senior Vice President, National Association of Manufacturers

In January 2008, Jennifer McNelly joined The Manufacturing Institute, the non-profit, non-partisan affiliate of the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM). McNelly has supported the Institute's efforts to launch and implement a strategic national agenda on education reform and workforce development, innovation support and services, and research on behalf of U.S. manufacturers. McNelly is the chief architect of the NAM-Endorsed Manufacturing Skills Certification System, a set of nationally portable, industry-recognized manufacturing skills certifications now influencing secondary and post-secondary education reform efforts in over 20 states.

Prior to joining The Manufacturing Institute, McNelly was a member of the Senior Executive Service (SES) for the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration (ETA). Ms. McNelly served as the Administrator for the Office of Regional Innovation and Transformation, managing ETA's regional offices and ensuring an integrated workforce investment approach and regional economic development strategies. Prior to joining the Department of Labor, Ms. McNelly served as Senior Vice President of Strategic Partnerships, LLC, an international consulting firm specializing in assisting Fortune 500 corporations to build strategic partnerships with government agencies in support of workforce development.

2:30 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

SEMINAR

How to Conduct an Effective Search for a New President

Coolidge Room, Mezzanine Level

Is your board contemplating hiring or conducting a search for a new president? ACCT search consultants will share information on how to design a search, how to recruit a rich pool of candidates, and what mistakes the board should be careful to avoid.

Narcisa A. Polonio, Facilitator

ACCT Vice President for Education, Research and Board Services, Washington, D.C.

Eida Berrio, Panelist

ACCT Director of Search Services, Washington, D.C.

Julie Golder Alion, Panelist

ACCT Search Services Specialist, Washington, D.C.

John Steinecke, Panelist

ACCT Search Services Specialist, Washington, D.C.



3:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

MEETING

Illinois Community College Trustees Association Executive Committee

Lincoln Suite 5, Exhibition Level

3:30 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

MEETING

African American Trustees

Delaware Room

3:30 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

MEETING

Asian, Pacific Islander, and Native American Trustees

Virginia Suite C

3:30 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

MEETING

Association of Latino Community College Trustees

Virginia Suites A & B

3:30 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

MEETING

ACCT Corporate Council

Wilson Suite C, Mezzanine Level

4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

MEETING

Florida Delegation

Coolidge Room, Mezzanine Level

4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

MEETING

Missouri Delegation

Washington 1, Exhibition Level

4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

RECEPTION

Pennsylvania Commission for Community Colleges

Maryland Suite C

4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

MEETING

South Carolina Delegation

Wilson Suite A, Mezzanine Level

4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

MEETING

Washington State Trustees Association

Maryland Suite B

4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

MEETING

Wisconsin Delegation

Maryland Suite A

4:00 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

MEETING

Illinois Community College Trustees Association

Board of Representatives

Lincoln Suite 5, Exhibition Level

4:00 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

RECEPTION

New Jersey Council of County Colleges

Harding Room, Mezzanine Level

4:00 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

RECEPTION

North Carolina Community College Trustees

Hoover Room, Mezzanine Level

4:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

MEETING

California Delegation

Washington Suite 2, Exhibition Level

5:30 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.

NATIONAL CAPITAL RECEPTION

Marriott Ballroom, Salons 1, 2, & 3

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

7:00 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.

REGISTRATION

Convention Registration Desk

7:00 A.M. – 8:15 A.M.

STATE BREAKFAST MEETINGS AT HOTEL

California Delegation

Virginia Suites B & C

Michigan Community College Association

Wilson Suite A, Mezzanine Level

Missouri Delegation

Maryland Suite B

Nebraska Delegation

Wilson Suite B, Mezzanine Level



Ohio Association of Community College Trustees

Maryland Suite C

Oregon Community College Association

Wilson Suite C, Mezzanine Level

Texas Delegation

Virginia Suite A

8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

BREAKFAST MEETING

New Jersey Council of County Colleges

Coolidge Room, Mezzanine Level

8:30 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.

GENERAL SESSION

Marriott Ballroom, Salons 2 & 3

Roberto Uranga, Introduction

Chair-Elect, ACCT Board of Directors; Trustee,

Long Beach City College, CA



The Honorable Hilda L. Solis, Speaker
United States Secretary of Labor

Secretary Hilda L. Solis was nominated by President Barack Obama and later confirmed by the Senate as Secretary of Labor. Prior to confirmation as Secretary of Labor, Secretary Solis represented the 32nd Congressional District in California in the U.S. House of Representatives from 2001 to 2009. In Congress, Solis served on the Committees on Energy and Commerce

and Natural Resources. She authored the Green Jobs Act, which provided funding for “green” collar job training for veterans, displaced workers, at risk youth, and individuals in families under 200 percent of the federal poverty line.

Solis was first elected to public office in 1985 as a member of the Rio Hondo Community College Board of Trustees. She served in the California State Assembly from 1992 to 1994, and in 1994 she made history by becoming the first Latina elected to the California State Senate. Solis graduated from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, and earned a master of public administration from the University of Southern California. A former federal employee, she worked in the Carter White House Office of Hispanic Affairs and was later appointed as a management analyst with the Office of Management and Budget in the Civil Rights Division.

9:30 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

GENERAL SESSION

Marriott Ballroom, Salons 2 & 3

Speaker to be announced

10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

POLICY FOCUS SESSION

The Changing Landscape of Higher Education

Wilson Suites A, B, & C, Mezzanine Level

Robert Messina, Moderator

President, Burlington County College, NJ

Goldie Blumenstyk, Panelist

Senior Writer and “Financial Affairs” Columnist,

The Chronicle of Higher Education

As a reporter and editor at *The Chronicle of Higher Education* since the late 1980's, Goldie Blumenstyk has covered topics touching every corner of higher education, including distance education, the Internet boom and bust, state politics, university governance, and fund raising. She is nationally known for her expertise on for-profit higher education, college finances, and university patents and the commercialization of academic research. She has also reported for *The Chronicle* from China and from several countries in Europe, including most recently stories from Ireland and London. For those on Twitter, you can find her tweets @GoldieStandard.

Goldie earned a bachelor's degree in history from Colgate University and a master's degree from the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism. Before joining *The Chronicle*, she covered politics and government for *The Orlando Sentinel* in Florida, including a stint as city hall reporter.

Jennifer Epstein, Panelist

Staff Writer, *Politico*

Jennifer Epstein covers national politics and education for *Politico*. Before joining the magazine in November 2010, Jennifer covered Congress, the U.S. Department of Education, for-profit colleges and other federal education policy for *Inside Higher Ed*. Prior to joining *Inside Higher Ed*, she covered the 2008 elections and politics around the clock as Assistant Writer & Producer for *Time Magazine's* 'The Page.' Jennifer graduated from Princeton University with an B.A. in history. Her senior thesis, “Slaves and Slavery at Princeton,” won the C.O. Joline Prize for American History. She was Managing Editor of *The Daily Princetonian*, a position she held after winning several awards for reporting and writing as a Senior Writer and Staff Writer for the paper. Jennifer also held several internships at *The New York Times*, *The Journal News*, and *Inside Higher Ed*.

10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

SEMINAR

Using Board Retreats & Workshops as an Effective Tool

McKinley Room, Mezzanine Level

Explore the many benefits associated with dedicating time and resources to strengthening the board and tackling difficult issues. Hear from ACCT's team of retreat experts on why, how, and when to organize an effective retreat. This interactive session will focus on assisting participants to design an effective retreat.



Narcisa A. Polonio, Moderator
ACCT Vice President for Education, Research, and Board Services, Washington, D.C.

Elizabeth Alvarado, Panelist
ACCT Program Specialist, Governance Institute for Student Success and Board Services, Washington, D.C.

10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

MEETING
ACCT Advisory Committee of Presidents
Harding Room, Mezzanine Level

12:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.

TASTE OF DC (lunch on your own)

AFTERNOON

VISITS TO HOUSE, SENATE, AND EXECUTIVE OFFICES

4:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAUCUS RECEPTION
2261 Rayburn House Office Building (Capitol Hill)

We encourage participants to attend this reception, but space is limited. A maximum of 100 people are permitted in the room at any given time. Please plan accordingly.

7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

CAPITAL AWARDS BANQUET AND ENTERTAINMENT*
Marriott Ballroom, Salons 2 & 3

Peter E. Sercer, Sr., Presiding
Chair, ACCT Board of Directors; Trustee,
Midlands Technical College, SC

John J. “Ski” Sygielski, Presiding
Chair, AACC Board of Directors; President,
Mt. Hood Community College, OR

Jane Karas, Introduction
Member, AACC Board of Directors; President,
Flathead Valley Community College, MT



The Honorable Max Baucus (D-MT)
Member, U.S. Senate
2011 National Education Service Award Recipient

Senator Max Baucus, the senior Senator from Montana, is serving his sixth term and is the current Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee. The Finance Committee has jurisdiction over tax, trade, and welfare policy, and, as such, this committee is of

critical importance to community colleges. Before his election to the Senate in 1978, Senator Baucus was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives from 1975 to 1978. As Finance Chairman, Senator Baucus worked diligently to secure \$2 billion for the Community College and Career Training Grant Program in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010. In the final stages of the legislation, Senator Baucus acted to ensure that community colleges would receive substantial federal support. Working with the Obama Administration, he showed great commitment in determining a way to provide community colleges with this major infusion of funds.

Senator Baucus has also shown great leadership on the education tax credits that are so important to community college student financing, especially the American Opportunity Tax Credit (AOTC). In his role as Finance Committee Chairman, Senator Baucus has worked closely with community colleges on these issues and provided an opportunity for their views to be presented in Congress.



Orlando J. George, Jr. Introduction

President, Delaware Technical & Community College, DE

The Honorable Michael Castle (R-DE)

Former Member, U.S. House of Representatives
2011 National Education Service Award Recipient

Former Representative Michael Castle recently finished his ninth term in the U.S. House of Representatives. Prior to joining Congress in 1993, Rep. Castle served as Governor of Delaware for 8 years. He also served as

Lieutenant Governor, Deputy Attorney General, and a Delaware State Representative. While serving in the House, Rep. Castle gained a reputation as one who could effectively reach compromises across the aisle. He served for six years as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Education Reform, and for many years as a member of the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness. In addition, Rep. Castle served as Co-Chair of the Congressional Community College Caucus from 2005-2010. In this role, he helped the Caucus gain prominence and widespread Congressional support.

Rep. Castle consistently took tough stands to help community colleges. During the Higher Education Act reauthorization in 2005, he advocated strongly to protect federal funding for community colleges. Rep. Castle also voted to support the American Graduation Initiative in the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act.

Entertainment: Capitol Steps



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

8:30 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

General Session Breakfast*

Marriott Ballroom, Salons 2 & 3

Peter E. Sercer, Sr., Presiding
Chair, ACCT Board of Directors; Trustee,
Midlands Technical College, SC

John J. “Ski” Sygielski, Presiding
Chair, AACC Board of Directors; President,
Mt. Hood Community College, OR

Pauline F. Larwood, Introduction
Trustee, Kern Community College District, CA



The Honorable Kevin McCarthy (R-CA), Speaker
Majority Whip, U.S. House of Representatives

House Majority Whip Kevin McCarthy was first elected to represent the 22nd District of California in the U.S. House of Representatives in November 2006 and was recently reelected. For the 112th Congress, Rep. McCarthy was chosen by his colleagues to serve as the Majority Whip, and he is also a member of the Financial Services Committee. Rep. McCarthy has served in the House Republican Leadership as the Chief Deputy Republican Whip and on the House Administration Committee as the Ranking Member on the Subcommittee on Elections.

Rep. McCarthy worked for former Congressman Bill Thomas, and he successfully won his first election in 2000 as Trustee to the Kern Community College District. In 2002, Rep. McCarthy was elected to represent the 32nd Assembly District in the California State Assembly and, as a freshman legislator, served as Assembly Republican Leader. He has his undergraduate degree and masters in business administration from California State University, Bakersfield.

MORNING

Additional visits to House, Senate, and Executive Offices

AFTERNOON

Additional visits to House, Senate, and Executive Offices

All meetings take place at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel on the Lobby Level unless otherwise noted. Meeting times are subject to change.

**Tickets Required.*

***Pre-Registration Required.*