

NEW ENGLAND BOARD of HIGHER EDUCATION



**Legislative Advisory Committee Meeting
September 26, 2019
Woodstock Inn
Woodstock, Vermont**

AGENDA

7:30 - 8:15 a.m.	Registration And Breakfast	
8:15 – 12:00 p.m.	Legislative Advisory Committee Meeting <i>(See schedule of events below)</i>	<i>Woodstock AB</i>
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Networking Lunch	<i>Garden Terrace</i>
1:00 – 4:30 p.m.	NEBHE Board Meeting Discussion OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES: INCENTIVIZING ADOPTION AND SCALE <i>(LAC members invited)</i> <i>(See schedule of events below)</i>	<i>Woodstock AB</i>
4:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Break	
5:00 – 6:00 p.m.	Reception	<i>Rockefeller Room</i>
6:00 – 7:30 p.m.	Dinner and Awards Presentation	<i>Rockefeller Room</i>

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

7:30 - 8:15 a.m.	REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST	
8:15 - 8:30 a.m.	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS	<i>Woodstock, AB</i>
	Stephanie Murphy , Policy & Research Analyst, NEBHE Sen. Rebecca Millett , Chair, Legislative Advisory Committee	
8:30 - 9:45	STATE UPDATES: PRIORITIES FOR YOUR LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS	<i>Woodstock, AB</i>
	LAC members share session updates related to higher education legislation and key policy issues, as well as higher education budget priorities and challenges in their states	
9:45 - 10:00 a.m.	BREAK	
10:00 - 11:15 a.m.	GROWING A SMARTER WORKFORCE: RECONNECTING WITH ADULT LEARNERS	<i>Woodstock, AB</i>
	<p>New England’s economy is becoming progressively more dependent on increasing its residents’ postsecondary attainment. The region’s states are among those that have the largest share of employment in occupations that typically require either an associate degree (ME, MA, RI, VT) or a bachelor’s degree (MA, CT). But the reality of the college landscape is steadily shifting away from the traditional 18-year-old student that is on campus full-time. As New England comes to grips with significant demographic changes, it is becoming increasingly clear that we cannot meet the complete demands of the job market without engaging and supporting more adult learners.</p> <p>Across New England, approximately 2.5 million individuals between ages 25 and 64 do not have a postsecondary credential. This group of adults represents an “untapped workforce” that is ripe for the picking—and upon which the vitality of the region’s economy depends. This session will highlight strategies that policymakers and institutional leaders can adopt to take full advantage of this untapped workforce. States that have been leading the charge in re-engaging with adult learners include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tennessee (Tennessee Reconnect)• Indiana (You Can. Go Back)• Florida (FloridaShines)• Pennsylvania (SOAR)• Ohio (PLA AssessED).	

Experts from these states will discuss the challenges and successes of their various efforts to grow a smarter workforce by reconnecting with the adult learner.

Speakers:

Goldie Blumenstyk, Senior Writer, *The Chronicle of Higher Education*

Joshua Garrison, Associate Commissioner for Legislation and Program Implementation, Indiana Commission for Higher Education

Dr. Emily House, Deputy Executive Director, Tennessee Higher Education Commission and Tennessee Student Assistance Corporation

Moderator: **Sen. Rebecca Millett**, Maine

11:45am - 12:00pm **WRAP-UP AND CLOSING REMARKS** *Woodstock, AB*

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. **NETWORKING LUNCH** *Garden Terrace*

1:00 – 1:15 p.m. **WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS** *Woodstock, AB*

Speakers:

Rep. Joe McNamara, Chair, NEBHE Board of Directors

Michael Thomas, President & CEO, NEBHE

1:15 – 2:00 p.m. **PUTTING THE *OPEN* IN OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES** *Woodstock, AB*

Speaker:

Tanya Spilovoy, Director of Open Policy, WICHE Cooperative for Educational Technologies

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. **STATE AND FEDERAL POLICIES THAT PROMOTE OER** *Woodstock, AB*

Speakers:

Nicole Allen, Director of Open Education, SPARC

Respondent:

Rep. Gregg Haddad, Connecticut

3:00 – 3:15 p.m. **BREAK**

3:15 – 3:45 p.m. **OPPORTUNITIES + CHALLENGES IN FOSTERING OER AND DIGITAL LEARNING** *Woodstock, AB*

Speaker:

Peter Smith, Senior Vice President, Chief Academic Officer (Interim), University of Maryland Global Campus

3:45 – 4:30 p.m.	DISCUSSION	<i>Woodstock, AB</i>
	Moderator: Kathy Collins , Vice President of Academic Affairs, University of Rhode Island (<i>invited</i>)	
4:30 - 5:00 p.m.	BREAK	
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.	RECEPTION	<i>Rockefeller Room</i>
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