



NASWA Equal Opportunity Committee Meeting

Agenda

September 22-23, 2022 | Chicago, IL

Thursday, September 22

1:30p – 5:00p

Meeting Room: **State Room** (2nd Level)

- 12:00 PM *Hosted Lunch – Crystal Room (3rd Level)*
- 1:30 PM Welcome & Passing of the Gavel
- Michael Harrington (VT), Outgoing Chair of the NASWA Equal Opportunity Committee
 - Anna Hui (MO), Incoming Chair of the NASWA Equal Opportunity Committee
- Illinois Welcome
- Anna D'Ascenzo (IL)
- 1:45 PM Promising Practices
- Illinois: Equal opportunity structure & special projects to assist equal and meaningful access
- Anna D'Ascenzo (IL)
- California: Equal opportunity initiatives including new Language Access Officer position & grant funds to boost multilingual access
- Matilda Aidam (CA)
- Washington State: Process to assess employee dual language skills
- Teresa Eckstein (WA)
- 3:15 PM *Break*
- 3:30 PM NASWA Update
- Scott B. Sanders, President & CEO, NASWA
- 3:45 PM Committee Business & State Roundtable
- Approval of June Minutes
 - Subcommittee Updates
 - Communication Subcommittee
 - Ron Arthur (CO)
 - Policy & Promising Practices Subcommittee
 - *Legislative Priorities*
 - Danielle Smith (MO) & Dennis Johnson (MA)
 - Award Subcommittee
 - Hillary Hewko, NASWA
 - Discussion on Subcommittees for the Association Year: Opportunity to discuss the creation or reorganization of Subcommittees
- 5:00 PM *Adjourn for the Day*

Friday, September 23

8:30a – 12:00p

Meeting Room: **State Room** (2nd Level)

7:30 AM *Hosted Breakfast – Gold Room (2nd Level)*

8:30 AM U.S. Department of Labor Equity Initiatives

- Suzanne Simonetta, Director, Division of Performance Management, Office of Unemployment Insurance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor

9:30 AM Language Access Training

- Naomi Barry-Pérez, Director, Civil Rights Center, U.S. Department of Labor
- Michael Mulé, Attorney-Advisor, Civil Rights Division, Federal Coordination and Compliance Section, U.S. Department of Justice

10:30 AM *Break*

10:45 AM U.S. Department of Labor Civil Rights Center Update

- Naomi Barry-Pérez, Director, Civil Rights Center, U.S. Department of Labor

11:15 PM State Roundtable

12:00 PM *Adjourn*

Save the Dates

2023 Winter Policy Forum

Washington, DC

February 15, 2023

NASWA Equal Opportunity Committee Meeting

Washington, DC

February 16-17, 2023

Registration will be available on the NASWA Website.

2nd Midwest Equal Opportunity Summit

Kansas City, MO

(Missouri, Colorado, Delaware, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Tennessee, and Virginia)

November 16-18, 2022

