

October 4-9, 2015 Schedule of Activities

Prior to their arrival, Fellows will be asked to submit a 30-60 second elevator pitch video on afterschool and expanded learning.

Sunday, October 4

Welcome!

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| 1 – 6 p.m. | Fellows Arrive and Check In
Hampton Inn Riverplace |
| 7 p.m. | Casual Dinner
Smoke on the Water
<i>Meet in hotel lobby at 6:50 to walk to restaurant together</i> |
| After Dinner | Brief Welcome and Overview
Terry Peterson, Ph.D., College of Charleston
History of 21st Century Community Learning Centers |

Monday, October 5

The Landscape of Afterschool and Expanded Learning Policy and Policymaking

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| 7 – 8 a.m. | Breakfast at Hampton Inn |
| 8 a.m. | Meet in lobby for transportation to Furman University |
| 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. | Welcome and Introduction of Fellows
Cathy Stevens, Riley Institute at Furman |
| 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. | The Landscape of Afterschool and Expanded Learning Opportunities: What is at Stake?
Terry Peterson
<i>An overview of where we are now, where we have been and what is at stake with pending policy and funding developments</i> |
| 10:30 – 10:45 a.m. | Break |

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- 10:45– 12 p.m. **Intro to Policy Projects**
Ron Fairchild, Smarter Learning Group
- Policy Project Case Studies: A Panel of WRP Alumni**
Ken Anthony, Ph.D., Connecticut After School Network
Caroline Allen, Pennsylvania Afterschool Youth Development Network (PASYDN)
Del Ruff, NC Center for Afterschool Programs, Public School Forum of North Carolina (NC)
- 12 – 1:15 p.m. **Lunch**
Jeremy Fleming in the lobby to take photographs.
- 1:15 – 2:15 p.m. **Tech Tools for Driving Policy**
Shawn Petty, Edvance Research
A look at technology that can aid you in your policy work.
- 2:15 – 2:30 p.m. **Break**
- 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. **Small group discussions of pre-work and policy projects**
Introduction by Ron Fairchild
- White-Riley-Peterson Alumni circulate**
Discussion should tie back to panel from the morning; mentors will circulate; by end of session, all Fellows should have working hypothesis for projects to share with group
- 4:30 p.m. **Reflection on Day One**
Ron Fairchild and Terry Peterson
- 4:40 p.m. **Return to Hotel**
- 7 p.m. **Welcome Dinner, The Lazy Goat**
Remarks from Secretary Richard W. Riley
Former S.C. Governor and U.S. Secretary of Education
Group photo after dinner

Tuesday, October 6

Policymaking at the Federal Level and Implications for State and Local Levels

- 7 – 8 a.m. **Breakfast at Hampton Inn**
- 8 a.m. **Meet in lobby for transportation to Furman University**

- 8:30 – 9:45 a.m. **The Basics of the Policymaking Process**
 Jim Guth, Ph.D., Department of Political Science, Furman University
An in-depth look at the contexts of all levels of government and how they relate, interact, and affect one another; the nuts-and-bolts of the policymaking process at the federal and state levels, including budgeting and appropriations
- 9:45 – 11 a.m. **Making a Difference with Federal Funds: The Case of Pittsburgh**
 Eddie Willson, formerly with Summer Dreamers Academy, Propel Charter (Skype)
An example of how federal funds were blended and braided to put excellent programs on the ground
- 11 – 11:15 a.m. **Break**
- 11:15 – 11:45 a.m. **Fellows share two-minute policy project description with whole group**
- 11:45 – 1 p.m. **Lunch and optional walk time**
- 12 – 12:45 p.m. **Optional Campus Tour**
- 1 – 2:15 p.m. **Making an Impact at the Federal Level**
 Jen Rinehart, Afterschool Alliance and Michelle Rich, State Public Policy Group, Iowa
How you can get involved in the federal policymaking process and a review of events and dates (appropriations, legislative cycle)
- 2:15 – 3 p.m. **Small Group Reflection Time**
How does what you have learned so far affect your policy project?
 Ron Fairchild
- 3 – 4:30 p.m. **Big Thought Case Study**
A Simulation of Big Thought’s Last Minute Request for Terry Peterson
You have one day to provide a state board of education member some options at various cost levels to incentivize more quality afterschool and summer programs. What would you do?
- 4:30 p.m. **Reflection on Day Two**
 Ron Fairchild and Terry Peterson
- 4:40 p.m. **Return to Hotel**
- 7 p.m. **Dinner at Barley’s Pizza**
 Meet in lobby at 6:50 pm to walk to Barley’s

Wednesday, October 7

Policies and the Policy Process at the State Level and Lessons Learned from Real-Life Wins and Losses

- 7 – 8 a.m. **Breakfast at Hampton Inn**
- 8 a.m. **Meet in lobby for transportation to Furman University**
- 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. **State Level Advocacy for Children:
Advocating for Expanded Learning Within a Broader Education Context**
Elizabeth Burke Bryant, Rhode Island KIDS COUNT (Skype)
Michelle Rich, State Public Policy Group
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. **State Licensing of Programs – A Case Study**
Cathy Stevens and Ron Fairchild
(Authored by Alli Lidie, New York State Afterschool Network)
- 10:30 – 10:45 a.m. **Break**
- 10:45 – 12 p.m. **Building State Momentum for Afterschool Policy**
Kari Dennissen Cunnien, Lead, Ignite Afterschool, Minnesota
and
Youth Involvement and Leadership in Policy Efforts
Eric Billiet, White-Riley-Peterson Policy Fellow, 2013-2014
- 12 – 1:15 p.m. **Lunch and short discussion of Fellowship next steps**
A look at the agenda for the entire Fellowship, upcoming virtual meetings, Dropbox and video presentations
- 1:15 – 2:15 p.m. **Summer Learning: Changing Policy at the State Level**
Jennifer Peck, Partnership for Children and Youth, California (Skype)
Examining how a summer campaign has built momentum and achieved policy wins in difficult times
- 2:15 – 2:45 p.m. **Small Group Discussion and Reflection**
- 2:45 – 4 p.m. **Round Robin State Level Policy Case Studies**
Janet Schmidt, Recently-retired Lead, School's Out Washington
Jeff Cole, Lead, Nebraska Afterschool Network (Skype)
Zelda Waymer, Lead, South Carolina Afterschool Alliance

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4 p.m. **Return to Hotel to call your Network Lead**

Optional Run to Hotel

Dinner on your own

Thursday, October 8

Crafting and Advancing Policy Action Projects

7 – 8 a.m. **Breakfast at Hampton Inn**

8 a.m. **Meet in lobby for transportation to Furman University**

8:30 – 10:30 a.m. **Crafting an Argument**

Janelle Cousino, Fowler Hoffman

Beginning the conversation for change in your state, selecting an angle, gathering data and developing an argument

10:30 – 10:45 a.m. **Break**

10:45 – 12 p.m. **Why I Care about Afterschool and Summer Learning**

Molly Spearman, State Superintendent of Education, South Carolina

A state superintendent's perspective on why she supports afterschool and expanded learning: crafting an argument that resonates

12 – 1:30 p.m. **Lunch and optional walk time**
(optional bookstore visit)

1:30 – 4:30 p.m. **Getting it on Paper: Setting Targets, Establishing Milestones and Prioritizing Strategies in Developing Your Policy Action Plan**

Janelle Cousino and Ron Fairchild

An in-depth workshop to map out your policy action plan: Where are you going? How do you know you are headed in the right direction? How will you get there?

4:45 p.m. **Return to Hotel**

7 p.m. **Closing Dinner at Nose Dive Private Room**

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Friday, October 10***Checking Out***

- 7 – 8:30 a.m. **Breakfast at Hampton Inn/Check out of hotel**
- 8:30 a.m. **Meet in Hampton Inn Meeting Room for Fellowship Evaluation and Discussion**
Kelly Gregory, Research Specialist, The Riley Institute
- 9:30 a.m. **Final Thoughts and Comments**
Cathy Stevens
Key takeaways and one thing to do as soon as you get home
- 10 a.m. **Van 1 departs for Airport**
- 10 – 2 p.m. **Public Speaking and Media Skills for Policy Advocates (optional)**
Deb Sofield, renowned public speaking coach, past city council member,
current Water Commissioner
- 2 pm. **Van 2 departs for Airport**

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