TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2013

Noon – 1:00 p.m. Welcome New and Returning Members
Reconnect – Bag Lunch Available

1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. Site Progress Reports
GA, NC, TN, WV, AL, MS, KY
Comments - Related efforts in OH/VA/PA
(Note: The MSU President will welcome the Network at some point during this session.)

2:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. ARC Report
Jeff Schwartz, Education Program Manager

2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. BREAK

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Region-wide Conference Discussion - Part I
Review and Identify Best Practices to Showcase; identify gaps (what is missing) in/among practices

4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Wrap-Up

5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Free Time

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Network Dinner
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2013

7:45 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Breakfast Available – Hampton Inn

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. Re-Cap and Setting the Stage - Increasing postsecondary education attainment in Appalachia.

During the KY-specific discussions, keep the following “questions” in mind: Do the strategies:

- Contribute to an increase in postsecondary education attainment? How?
- Help connect education institutions with economic development agencies and organizations?
- Look like the strategies being used/tried in your State?

9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Education and Workforce Statistics in Kentucky: Data to Inform Policy & Practice in Appalachian Kentucky and Statewide

Charles McGrew, Ph.D.
Executive Director, Kentucky Center for Education and Workforce Statistics

Overview of national efforts to develop and use longitudinal data systems and of newly formed KY Center for Education and Workforce Statistics to evaluate education and workforce programs to better inform public policy and practice. Data presentation re: differences between Appalachian and non-Appalachian Kentucky, the matriculation levels of students through K-12 and into college, teacher preparation, college success, and employment outcomes of our graduates and others relative to KY’s statewide and regional employment needs. Presenter will share findings from his recent study of the out-migration of Appalachian college graduates and what it may mean for the future educational attainment levels of the region.

10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. BREAK

11:00 a.m. – Noon MSU’s Early College Program
Joel Pace, Director
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2013 (cont.)

Noon – 1:20 p.m.                     Lunch – Conference Center

1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.                Meeting the Challenges of Improving Educational Outcomes of Appalachian Youth and Families

Dreama Gentry, Executive Director, Partners for Education, Berea College; Sue Cain, Director, College Readiness and Developmental Education, Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE); and Sue Hoskins, Director of Outreach Services, Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEEA).

Moderator: Dr. Dan Connell, Assistant Vice President, MSU.

2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.                Debrief – What can the Network learn from Kentucky?

3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.                BREAK

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.                Region-wide Conference Part II
                                    Confirm Final Decisions re: Best Practices Showcase
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2013

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.  Breakfast Available – Hampton Inn

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  Region-Wide Conference Part III
Identification of Participants, Travel Support and Registration Processes
Sarita Rhonemus

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  AHE Network Business
Update on FIPSE – First in the World Initiative
Pollyanne Frantz

Update on research reports and info re: possible Network-wide proposal
Terry Lashley (TN)

ETS Report on Poverty & Ed.
Betty Hale

11:30 – Noon  Final Discussion: Lingering Questions about the June 2014 Region-Wide Conference

Noon  Adjourn – Grab and Go Lunch