FORGING PARTNERSHIPS FOR INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE SYMPOSIUM

October 13-14, 2016
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13

5:00-5:45 PM
REGISTRATION, WELCOME RECEPTION
Votruba Student Union

6:00-7:15 PM
WELCOMING REMARKS
Geoffrey S. Mearns
President, Northern Kentucky University
Votruba Student Union Ballroom

OPENING CONVERSATION WITH MODERATED PANEL

Opening Remarks - Damon Williams, Ph.D.
Senior Vice President and Chief Educational and Youth Development Officer, Boys and Girls Clubs of America

Moderator - Mary Stagaman
Senior Inclusion Advisor, Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber

Timothy Forde, Ph.D.
Chief Diversity Officer and Special Assistant to the Executive Vice President, Eastern Kentucky University

Bleuzette Marshall, Ph.D.
Vice President for Equity and Inclusion, University of Cincinnati

Geoffrey S. Mearns
President, Northern Kentucky University
Votruba Student Union Ballroom

7:15-8:30 PM
RECEPTION
Votruba Student Union Ballroom
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

7:30 AM
BREAKFAST BUFFET
Votruba Student Union Ballroom

8:00-8:45 AM
WELCOME REMARKS
Rich Boehne
President & CEO, E.W. Scripps Company
Chair, Northern Kentucky University Board of Regents
Votruba Student Union Ballroom

BREAKFAST SPEAKER
Monica Posey, Ph.D.
President, Cincinnati State Technical and Community College
Votruba Student Union Ballroom

9:00-10:15 AM
KEYNOTE ADDRESS
Damon Williams, Ph.D.
Senior Vice President and Chief Educational and Youth Development Officer,
Boys and Girls Clubs of America
Votruba Student Union Ballroom

10:30 -11:45 AM
MORNING WORKSHOPS
See workshop agenda for locations and details

11:45 AM
LUNCH BUFFET
Votruba Student Union Ballroom

12:15-1:00 PM
LUNCH SPEAKER
Chris Brassell
Director of U.S. Inclusion & Talent Management, PricewaterhouseCoopers
Votruba Student Union Ballroom

1:15-2:30 PM
AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS
See workshop agenda for locations and details

3:00-4:30 PM
CLOSING CONVERSATION
Damon Williams, Ph.D.
Terry Allen, Ph.D.
Lynne Holland, Ph.D.
Votruba Student Union Ballroom

ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND NETWORKING
Votruba Student Union Ballroom
Terry Allen has worked in the Office of Institutional Diversity at the University of Kentucky, where he is the interim vice president, since 2003. He has focused much of his time on equal opportunity within every program and department on campus. Allen began his tenure at UK in student affairs three decades ago and has worked in various leadership roles in his time there.

Chris Brassell is a strategic thinker and innovative leader with more than 23 years of experience in diversity/inclusion, human capital, and change/talent management. He is currently a national director in the PricewaterhouseCoopers’ Office of Inclusion & Talent Management, where he is responsible for driving national diversity and inclusion strategies and thought leadership.

Dr. Timothy Forde is the chief diversity officer and special assistant to the executive vice president at Eastern Kentucky University. Previously, Forde served as director of African/African-American Studies as well as a faculty member in EKU's School of Clinical Educator Preparation.

Dr. Lynne Holland serves as Associate Vice President of Student Affairs, Dean of Students, and Chief Diversity Officer at Western Kentucky University. She has served in WKU in a variety of capacities: Associate Director of Housing and Residential Life, Director of Career Services and Director of Disability Services.

Dr. Bleuzette Marshall is the vice president for equity & inclusion at the University of Cincinnati, where she focuses on promoting diversity and creating inclusion on campus. Marshall has spent the last two decades of her life working in several areas at UC—diversity and inclusion, advancement, teaching, alumni affairs, and more recently, development.

Geoffrey Mearns has served as Northern Kentucky University's president since 2012. Prior to his arrival at NKU, he was provost and senior vice president for academic affairs at Cleveland State University and dean and professor of law at CSU's Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. Before his start in academia, Mearns practiced law for more than 15 years – including service as a federal prosecutor in the U.S. Department of Justice.

Dr. Monica J. Posey has spent the last 24 years at Cincinnati State Technical and Community College, currently serving as the school's president. Dr. Posey has served as assistant dean, director of institutional research & planning, and academic vice president and provost. Prior to her tenure at Cincinnati State, Posey was the assistant director of career development at the University of Cincinnati and has also taught statistics as an adjunct instructor.

Mary Stagaman is the senior inclusion advisor for the Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber. She also serves as the executive director of the Chamber’s Agenda 360 plan, which is a regional initiative to increase workforce diversity. Prior to joining the Chamber in 2010, Stagaman was a top marketing officer at the University of Cincinnati.

Dr. Damon Williams is a noted researcher, author, and practitioner, and is considered one of the world’s leading authorities on educational achievement, inclusive excellence, and chief diversity officers. He currently serves as the senior vice president and chief educational and youth development officer at The Boys and Girls Clubs of America, where he is charged with defining the organization's next generation of educational and youth development strategies.