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**Committee on Closing the Equity Gap: Securing our STEM Education and Workforce
Readiness Infrastructure in the Nation's Minority-Serving Institutions**

COMMITTEE MEETING 3

Open Session Meeting

July 17, 2017

9:30am -5:00pm (EDT)

Meeting Location

American Council on Education

One Dupont Circle NW

Washington, DC 20036

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- 9:30 a.m. **Welcome and Introduction to Study**
Mr. Tom Rudin, Director, Board on Higher Education and Workforce,
National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
Dr. Lorelle Espinosa, Committee Co-Chair
Dr. Kent McGuire, Committee Co-Chair
- 9:40 a.m. **Introductory Remarks**
The Value of Diversity in Higher Education and the 21st Century Workforce
Dr. Earl Lewis, President, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation
- 10:00 a.m. **PANEL 1: Current Challenges and Opportunities for MSIs**
Speakers:
- Dr. Robert Terry Palmer, Associate Professor, Howard University
 - Chancellor Judy Miner, Chancellor, Foothill-De Anza Community College District
 - Dr. Julie Park, Assistant Professor, University of Maryland, College Park
 - Dr. Lee Bitsoi, Chief Diversity Officer, Stony Brook University
- Moderator: Dr. Cecilia Rios Aguilar, Associate Professor, Director of the Higher
Educational Research Institute, UCLA
- 11:00 a.m. Q/A with audience
- 11:30 p.m. Break for Lunch
(Catered lunch for committee and guest speakers)
- 12:30 p.m. **PANEL 2: Innovative Programs and Strategies on MSI Campuses**
Speakers:
- Dr. Herb Schroeder, Founder, Vice Provost, Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program
 - Ms. Rachael Brown, Associate Professor, STEM Accelerator Grant Professional Development Coach, South Texas College
 - Dr. Wil Del Pilar, Vice President of Higher Education Policy and Practice, The Education Trust

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Moderator: Dr. Anthony Carpi, Committee member

1:15 p.m. Q/A with audience

1:45 p.m. **PANEL 3: Partnerships with Business, Industry, Government Agencies**

Speakers:

- Mr. Derek McGowan, Program Manager, Higher Education Institutions, Global Diversity and Inclusion, Lockheed Martin
- Mr. Melvin Greer, Grant Managing Director and Senior Research Fellow, Greer Institute for Leadership and Innovation
- Dr. Tien Pham, Senior Campaign Scientist, Information Sciences, U.S. Army Research Laboratory
- Mr. Johnny C. Taylor, Jr., President and CEO, Thurgood Marshall Fund

Moderator: Dr. Chad Womack, National Director, STEM Initiatives and the Fund II Foundation UNCF STEM Scholars Program

2:45 p.m. Q/A with audience

3:15 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. **PANEL 4: Ensuring the Success of Minorities at MSIs Through Effective Public Policy**

Speakers:

- Ms. Lezli Baskerville, President and CEO, National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education
- Mr. Neil Horikorsi, President & Executive Director, Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund
- Mr. Jim Hermes, Associate Vice President of Government Relations, American Association of Community Colleges
- Dr. John Moder, Senior Vice President/Chief Operating Office, Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities
- Ms. Carrie L. Billy, President & CEO, American Indian Higher Education Consortium

Moderator: Mr. Tom Rudin, Director, Board on Higher Education and Workforce, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine

4:30 p.m. Q/A with audience