

Wednesday October 29, 2008
Opening Plenary

CHARTING THE COURSE: SETTING THE DESTINATION

11:00 a.m. Robinson Center Exhibition Hall
Master of Ceremony : Mr. Alan Hughes, AWIB Board Member

Color Guards	Local ROTC Unit Central High School
Pledge of Allegiance	
National Anthem	Carmen Edwards, AWIB Staff
Welcome & Recognitions of State Board & Staff	Terrie Baker, AWIB Board Chair
Greetings	Mayor Mark Stodola, City of Little Rock
Integrated Service Delivery Department of Workforce Education Department of Higher Education Department of Economic Development Department of Workforce Services	Director Bill Walker Director Dr. Jim Purcell Director Maria Haley Director Artee Williams
Invocation	Norma Gillerson, AWIB Staff
LUNCH*	
Introduction of Speaker	Kenneth Ferguson, Executive Director
Keynote Address	The Honorable Governor Mike Beebe
BREAK	
WIA Initiatives	Kajuana Donahue, Federal Project Officer Department of Labor, Region IV
WIA Collaborations	Norma Noble, Deputy Secretary Oklahoma Workforce Solutions
Innovative Funding Tactics	Joseph Carbone, President & CEO The Workplace, Inc.—Bridgeport, CT
*Door Prizes	GTina Smith, AWIB Staff Wandra Smith, AWIB Staff

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AWARDS & RECOGNITION LUNCHEON

1:30 p.m. DoubleTree Ball Room
Mistresses of Ceremony : Donna Rainey, Southwest AR PDD, Inc. &
Ms. Carmen Edwards, AWIB Program Manager

Greeting	Robert Marek, AWIB Staff
Invocation	Reese Broadnax, Southwest AR, PDD, Inc.
DINNER	
Awards Presentation Partners	W.J. Monagle, Exec. Director, LRWIB Dr. Dee Blair, AWIB Board Member
Business	Linda Delaney, AWIB Board Member Dwayne Mays, AWIB Board Member
Workforce Center Staff	Janie Wheeler, Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District Glenn Sergeant, AWIB Staff
LWIA	Diane Hilburn, AWIB Vice Chair G. Tina Smith, AWIB Staff
Introduction of Speaker	Mitchell Simpson, AWIB Staff
KEYNOTE SPEAKER "Community Support & Partnerships"	Paul Vitale, Founder Vital Communications
Closing Remarks	Kenneth Ferguson, Executive Director
Door Prizes	Jessica Davis, AWIB Staff Nancy Morris, AWIB Staff
ADJOURNMENT	

*** LIVE ENTERTAINMENT & KARAOKE ***

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8:00 a.m.

DoubleTree Hotel Grand Ball Room

Breakfast Buffet

Invocation

Eddie Miller, AWIB Board Member

Introduction of Speaker

DeJuana Lindsey, AWIB Staff

Diversity Training

E'van Steele, Vice President
Advantage Communications Inc. (ACI)

Introduction of DOL Presenters

Carmen Edwards, AWIB Staff

"Making the Connection Between Case Management & Performance Management"

Maria Weidmark
Department of Labor, Region IV

Super Sessions & Workshops

LUNCH*

Introduction of Keynote Speaker

Mitchell Simpson, AWIB Staff

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Paul Vitale, Founder Vitale Communications

Closing Remarks

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Networking Break

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