Building our Connected Future: Minnesota’s Better with Broadband!

Greysolon Ballroom, Duluth MN

Agenda

Tuesday, November 13

10-2pm Minnesota Governor’s Broadband Task Force Meeting
(Not a conference session, but open to the public)

1:30 Registration Opens
1:05 Conference Opening by Bernadine Joselyn
2:10 Welcome by Mayor Ness
2:15 News from the Governor’s Task Force on Broadband:
What’s Up with Minnesota’s Broadband Speed and Adoption Goals?

3:00 Open Space: Conversations that help catalyze effective
action towards claiming our broadband-enhanced future.

5:30 Reception/Social Time
6:15 Dinner

7:30 Keynote Speaker: Craig Settles, broadband business
strategist and municipal broadband expert on The
Business Case for Broadband

8:15 Networking
9:30 Adjourn

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**Wednesday, November 14**

8:00  Breakfast Buffet

9:00  *National Broadband Policy and Its Implication for MN*  Tom Koutsky, Chief Policy Council, Connected Nation

10:00  The New Digital Divide

11:00  Blandin Broadband Communities Introduced

11:30  Overview of Blandin Community Broadband Program

11:45  Lunch

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Cynthia Temesi, Global Education, Education Strategist, Cisco

Afternoon Breakout Sessions:

1:00  Round 1

- Applications: Broadband Applications in Healthcare
- Access: ARRA and RUS Projects – Where we Stand
- Adoption: Strategies for Promoting Adoption among non-English Speakers

2:00  Round 2

- Applications: Education
- Access: NextGen Technology and its Impact on Minnesota
- Adoption: Adoption Tools and Practices in Minnesota: No Wrong Door

3:00  Round 3

- Applications: Trends in Business Applications
- Access: State of Research: Availability and Adoption
- Adoption: Video and Web Media: Tools for Community Messaging

4:00  Wrap-up and Adjourn