

2011 State of the State Kansas Economic Policy Conference

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Presented by The Institute for Policy & Social Research, The University of Kansas Co-sponsored by the Office of the Provost, The University of Kansas, Pioneer Communications and Grant County Chamber of Commerce & Tourism, Ulysses, Kansas

Agenda

8:00 Registration 5th Floor Lobby Coffee & More Jayhawk Room

8:30 Welcome & Introductory Remarks

Big XII Room

Jeffrey S. Vitter, Provost & Executive Vice Chancellor, The University of Kansas

8:45 Morning Address: A State of Immigrants – Past and Present

Latin American Migrations to the U.S. Heartland: Reshaping Communities, Redrawing Boundaries

László J. Kulcsár, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, Kansas State University

9:30 Break Jayhawk Room

9:45 Panel 1 - Immigration's Impact: From School to Work

Big XII Room

Immigration and Education

Laura Cano, Federal Programs Director, Liberal - USD 480 (Ulysses)

Immigrant Workers in the Kansas Labor Force

Caleb Asher, Deputy Secretary of Workforce Services, Kansas Department of Commerce

Moderator

Marieta Hauser, Director, Grant County Chamber of Commerce & Tourism, Ulysses (Ulysses)

10:45 Break Jayhawk Room

11:00 Panel 2 - Community Responses to Cultural Change

Big XII Room

Harvest of Change: Meatpacking, Immigration, and Garden City, Kansas

Donald D. Stull, Professor, Department of Anthropology, The University of Kansas

Policing a Community in Flux

James R. Hawkins, Chief of Police, Garden City (Ulysses)

Moderator

Danny J. Anderson, Dean, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, The University of Kansas

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12:00 Luncheon & Luncheon Dialogue

Kansas Ballroom

Introductions

Steve Warren, Vice Chancellor, Office of Research & Graduate Studies, The University of Kansas

Remarks

Bernadette Gray-Little, Chancellor, The University of Kansas

Immigration Policies: Economic Costs and Opportunities – A Conversation

Alberto P. Cardenas, Jr., Counsel, Vinson & Elkins LLP, Houston, Texas Benjamin E. Johnson, Executive Director, American Immigration Council, Washington, D.C. Kris W. Kobach, Kansas Secretary of State

Moderator

Jeanette Hernandez Prenger, Vice Chair, U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and President, ECCO Select, Kansas City, Missouri

2:00 Closing Remarks

Donna Ginther, Director, Center for Science, Technology & Economic Policy, Institute for Policy & Social Research and Professor, Department of Economics, The University of Kansas

2:15 Adjourn

