

## ***Workforce Development: Local Challenges and Opportunities in South Texas***

Committee Chairs: Rogelio Trevino, Executive Director Workforce Solutions for South Texas and Roger Creery, Executive Director Laredo Development Foundation.

2:00 – 3:30 pm

### **Panel Presentations on Drivers of Workforce and Economic Development; Environmental Scan.**

#### **Panelists:**

Doug Ridge, Director of the Office of Employer Initiatives for the Texas Workforce Commission

Dr. David W. Gardner Deputy Commissioner for Academic Planning and Policy, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Chakib Chehadi – Executive Director Workforce Solutions, Alamo

Bonnie Gonzalez – President, Workforce Solutions, Lower Rio Grande Valley

Mary G. Capello, J.D. Chief Executive Officer, Texas Migrant Council

**Moderator:** Rogelio Trevino, Executive Director Workforce Solutions for South Texas

3:30 – 3:45 pm

Q&A session with panel members

3:45 – 4:00 pm

Break

4:00 – 5:00 pm

Workgroup Brainstorming on Individual Issues – Facilitated Sessions

**Facilitators:** Theresa Theis and J. D. Hogan, Training and Development, Texas Workforce Commission.

5:00 – 5:15 pm

Break

5:15 – 6:00 pm

**Formulation of New Position Paper; Objectives, Measures, Impacts, Critical Milestones, Desired Results**

\*Speakers and topics are subject to change.