



Board Leadership Retreat

March 24 - 25, 2008

The Bigger Picture – Collaboratively Serving the Commonwealth

Monday 3/24/08		
3:00 – 3:15 p.m.	Welcome/Opening Remarks	Glen C. Sink, Executive Director
3:15 – 4:15 p.m.	Community Foundations Partnership for Rural Philanthropy	Robert L. Thalhimier Senior Vice President, Advancement The Community Foundation <i>Serving Richmond & Central Virginia</i>
4:15 – 5:15 p.m.	Issues Impacting Rural Regions Rural Indicators - Expanding Our Thinking On Rural Issues <i>Economy, Education, Health and Family, Natural, Historical and Cultural Resources, Transportation and State Government/Citizen Engagement</i>	Jane N. Kusiak, Executive Director Council on Virginia's Future Virginia Performs Gerard W. Ward Deputy Director Council on Virginia's Future
5:15 – 6:00 p.m.	Break	
6:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Networking Reception	Lounge/by the fireplace
7:00 – 7:45 p.m.	Dinner	Dining Hall
8:00 p.m.	The "Big Picture" Collaborative Partners Serving the Commonwealth What's Ahead for the Center and Council?	Glen C. Sink, Executive Director Frank M. Ruff, Jr., Center Chair Oliver A. McBride, Council Chair
Tuesday 3/25/08		
7:30 – 8:15 a.m.	Breakfast	Dining Hall
8:30 – 9:30 a.m.	Center Board of Trustees Council Board of Directors Joint Board Meeting - Summit Planning	Group Meeting Room
9:30 – 9:45 a.m.	Break	
9:45 - 10:45 a.m.	Leading Rural Virginia – Big Picture Resolution Regional Impact of Center Council Leadership MDC was established in 1967 by the North Carolina Fund, with the support of the state's civic and business leadership and the Ford Foundation. MDC serves as a model for such national programs a Head Start, VISTA, and the Community Action movement.	David Dodson, President, MDC
10:45 - 11:00 a.m.	Break	
11:00 - 12:45 p.m.	Need for Big Picture Leadership in Rural Networks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Center Council Board–Vision for Leadership • Rural Policy Dialogue • Creating Collaborative Policy Networks • Leading Coalitions for Rural Initiatives • Strategic Initiative Framework 	David Dodson, MDC Continued
1:00 - 1:45 p.m.	Lunch	Dining Hall
1:45 – 3:30 pm	Bringing It Together - Apply What We've Learned	David Dodson, MDC – Q & A Group Discussion
3:30 p.m.	Adjourn	

A New Vision: How Virginia's rural regions can compete in today's global economy
Center Council ~ Leading Coalitions for Social and Economic Transformation!