



Midwestern Legislative Conference

THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS

Midwestern Legislative Conference (MLC) Midwest-Canada Relations Committee

Saturday, July 9, 2022 | Sunday, July 10, 2022 | Tuesday, July 12, 2022
Hyatt Regency Wichita :: 400 W. Waterman Street :: Wichita, Kansas

Preliminary Agenda

Speaker Robert Cupp, Ohio, and Minister Kelvin Goertzen, Manitoba, Co-Chairs
MPP Percy Hatfield, Ontario, and Sen. Jim Stamas, Michigan, Co-Vice Chairs

July 9 | Committee Dinner

Time TBD

MLC Midwest-Canada Relations Committee Dinner: *Hosted by Consulate General of Canada to the United States, in Denver; Location TBD*

July 10 | Committee Lunch

12 – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch for members of the seven MLC policy committees

July 10 | Committee Meeting

3 – 3:10 p.m.

Introductions

3:10 – 4:10 p.m.

Presentation on the state of the border over the last year: *Topics may include technological innovations to ease crossings, binational cooperation, vaccine mandates, COVID-19 testing, human trafficking concerns, etc.*

Presenters: Laurie Tannous, Cross Border Attorney, Tannous & Associates Ltd.

4:10 – 4:30 p.m.

Discussion of committee business and consideration of proposed resolutions

July 12 | Committee-Led Policy Session

3:45 – 5:15 p.m.

How Smaller Firms Engage in the Canada-U.S. Supply Chain: *Hear examples from both sides of the border of how companies throughout the region, not just those in border states, are part of Canada-U.S. trade. Furthermore, state and provincial officials may learn what you can do to make sure smaller firms have the knowledge and tools to export.*

Presenters: April Chiang, International Project Manager, Kansas Department of Commerce