



Midwestern Legislative Conference

THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS

Midwestern Legislative Conference (MLC) Midwest-Canada Relations Committee

Saturday, July 8, 2023 | Sunday, July 9, 2023 | Tuesday, July 11, 2023
Westin Book Cadillac :: 1114 Washington Boulevard :: Detroit, Michigan

Final Agenda

*Minister Kelvin Goertzen, Manitoba, and Rep. Amos O'Neal, Michigan, Co-Chairs
Rep. David Monson, North Dakota, and MPP Ernie Hardeman, Ontario, Co-Vice Chairs*

July 8 | Committee Dinner (Invitation Only) | Founders AB, 3rd Floor

6:30 p.m. **MLC Midwest-Canada Relations Committee Dinner:** *Hosted by Consulate General of Canada to the United States, in Detroit*

July 9 | Committee Meeting | Woodward A, 2nd Floor

10 – 10:10 a.m. **Introductions**

10:10 – 11:10 a.m. **Guest Presentation:** *Irregular Border Crossings; i.e. human trafficking, illegal drug trade, information sharing, etc.*

Presenter: Alex Vernon, Director, Immigration Law Clinic at University of Detroit Mercy

11:10 – 11:30 a.m. **Discussion of committee business and consideration of proposed resolutions**

July 9 | Committee Lunch | Founders AB, 3rd Floor

12 – 1:30 p.m. **Lunch for members of the six MLC policy committees**

July 11 | Committee-Led Plenary Session | Venetian Ballroom, 4th Floor

3:45 – 5:15 p.m. **U.S.-Canada Federal Relations and their Importance to the Midwest:** *Hear our panelists discuss how our two nations interact and cooperate at the federal legislative level, how these interactions affect states and provinces in our region, and how state and provincial legislators can become and stay involved.*

Panelists: Randy Hoback, Member of the Canadian Parliament for Prince Albert, Saskatchewan; Brian Masse, Member of the Canadian Parliament for Windsor West, Ontario; Collin Peterson, Former Congressman from Minnesota; and Rick Snyder, Former Governor of Michigan

Moderator: Christopher Sands, Director, Canada Institute at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars