Summer Leadership Conference Timeline

Times are tentative and subject to change. Speakers and topics will be updated as they are finalized.

Wednesday, Aug. 17

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. – Open Registration

1:30 p.m. – Welcome (Grand Ballroom)

2 p.m. – Building a Thriving Region

- Gregg Sandreuter, Beacon Partners
- John Kane, Kane Realty
- John LaPenta ,NC Department of Administration
- Jimmy Barnes, NAI Carolantic, Moderator

2:45 p.m. – Break

3 p.m. - Cultivating the World's Best Talent (Grand Ballroom)

- Jodi Budnick, Relias Learning
- Orshi Kocsis, CBC Americas Corporation
- David Smith, Biogen
- Tom White, NC State University, Moderator

3:45 p.m. - Break

4 p.m. – Assembling a Job Ready Workforce (Grand Ballroom)

- Dr. Jimmie Williamson, president, NC Community College System
- 4:45 p.m. Moving Wake County Forward (Grand Ballroom)
 - Jennifer Robinson, vice chair, Go Triangle Board of Trustees; Cary Town Council

5 p.m. – Close

5:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Reception (Carolina Hall)

Thursday, Aug. 18

7:30 a.m. – Registration

8:30 a.m. – Gubernatorial candidate: Roy Cooper, NC attorney general (Cardinal Ballroom)

9 a.m. – Break

9:10 a.m. – Gubernatorial Candidate: Governor Pat McCrory (Cardinal Ballroom)

10 a.m. – Framing the Political Conversation (Cardinal Ballroom)

- Joe Stewart, NC Free Enterprise Foundation
- 11 a.m. Board of Education Candidate Forum (Cardinal Ballroom)

Noon – Lunch/Chamber & Budget Presentation (Carolina Hall)

1:30 p.m. – Breakout Sessions

- 1. Venture Capital Funders (Ross)
 - a. Jason Caplain, Bull City Venture Partners
 - b. David Gardner, Cofounders Capital, LLP
 - c. Sheryl Waddell, Innovate Carolina
 - d. Mital Patel, Wyrick Robbins Yates & Ponton LLP, Moderator
- 2. Affordable Housing (Tufts)
 - a. Annemarie Maiorano, Deputy Director of Operations, Wake County Human Services
 - b. Larry Jarvis, Director of Housing and Neighborhoods, City of Raleigh
 - c. Gregg Warrren, President of DHIC
 - d. Shana Overdorf, Executive Director, Raleigh-Wake Partnership to end and Prevent Homelessness (Moderator)

2:15 p.m. – Break

2:30 p.m. – Stacking Up Against our Competitors (Cardinal Ballroom)

• Ted Abernathy, Economic Leadership LLC

3:15 p.m. – Deconstructing the Political Information (Cardinal Ballroom)

- Becki Gray, vice president for Outreach, John Locke Foundation
- Tim Boyum, anchor, Capital Tonight
- Andy Curliss, Director of Public Affairs & Strategic Communications at Gelia (Moderator)

4 p.m. – Adjourn