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**West Virginia Higher Education Diversity Conference**

**Sponsored by the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission**

**March 22, 2019**

**AGENDA**

**“Civil Discourse, Deliberative Pedagogy, and Higher Education’s Civic Responsibility**

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**9:30 a.m. Registration and Light Refreshments**

**10:00 a.m. Welcome, Overview, and Expectations (from organizers)**

**10:30 a.m. Keynote: “Civil Discourse, Deliberative Pedagogy, and Higher Education’s Civic Responsibility” (To be followed with discussion)**

* Introduction to theoretical dimensions of civil discourse and deliberative pedagogy
* Overview of contemporary political landscape and its impacts on higher education’s civic responsibility and mission
* Specific examples of how faculty, staff, students, and community partners have engaged in civil discourse work—in classroom, co-curricular, and community settings

**12:00 p.m. Lunch**

**1:15 p.m. Frameworks for Deliberative and Dialogic Engagement**

* National Coalition for Dialogue and Deliberation’s Engagement Streams Framework (Handout)
* Specific focus on a selection number of process methods and resources (National Issues Forums Institute, Interactivity Foundation, National Institute for Civil Discourse)

**1:30 p.m. Action Planning and Methods of Assessment Overview**

* Handout with explanation of how this will intersect with discussion about civil discourse, deliberative pedagogy, and civic engagement

**2:00 p.m. Break into Groups to Work on Action Planning**

* Groups will development action plans to be used back on their own campuses utilizing dialogue and deliberation practices outlined in the NCDD Engagement Streams Framework
* This will be completed with campus teams or affinity groups, depending on composition of attendees

**3:30 p.m. Weaving Threads Together**

**4:00 p.m. Adjournment**