AGENDA Higher Education Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council

Monday, April 18, 2022 1:00 PM Room 151, State Capitol Little Rock, Arkansas

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A. Call to Order

- B. Overview of Education to Workforce Alignment on Cyber Security at the University of Arkansas (UA) Little Rock [Exhibit B1 – B2]
 - 1. Dr. Erin Finzer, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Continuous Improvement, UA Little Rock
 - 2. Steve Cole, Chancellor, Cossatot Community College of the University of Arkansas
 - 3. Chris Thomason, Vice President for Planning and Development, University of Arkansas System
 - 4. Lee Watson, CEO and Founder, Forge Institute
- C. Overview of the Arkansas Teachers Collaborating to Build a Diverse Workforce (STRIVE) Program for Teachers at UA Little Rock [Exhibit C1 C2] [Handout 1]
 - 1. Dr. Mark Baillie, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry and Director, STRIVE Program, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Education Center, UA Little Rock
 - 2. Whitney Major, Physics Teacher, Lakeside High School
 - 3. Jane Hurley, Education Outreach Specialist, Central Arkansas Water
- D. Discussion of K-12 to Postsecondary STEM & Computer Science Continuum: Ensuring a Highly Skilled Future Workforce **[Exhibit D]**
 - Dr. Tina Moore, Director of STEM/Computer Science Continuum, Arkansas Department of Education
- E. Other Business
- F. Adjournment
- Note: All exhibits for this meeting are available by electronic means and are accessible on the General Assembly's website at <u>www.arkleg.state.ar.us</u>
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