

Pre-Conference Events:
Wednesday, September 12, 2018

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Opioid Summit
Separate registration was required to attend this event.

1:00 – 4:30 p.m. Pre-Conference Registration Open
Conference Center Lobby

5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Pre-Conference Reception
Outdoors (weather permitting) - Dinner on your own

7:00 – 9:30 p.m. Minnesota Rural Counties
Room: Lake Itasca



Thursday, September 13, 2018

7:30 a.m. Registration Open
Conference Center Lobby

7:30 – 9:00 a.m. Breakfast Buffet
Tennis Center

7:30 – 9:30 a.m. Northern Counties Land Use Coordinating Board
Room: Lake Le Homme Dieu

7:30 – 8:45 a.m. Business & Partner Development Committee
Room: Board Room 2

8:00 – 8:45 a.m. Education & Training Committee
Room: Lake Itasca

Research Committee
Room: Lake Vermillion

9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Welcome & General Session
Tennis Center

- **Welcome: AMC President Susan Morris**, Isanti County Commissioner
- **Gubernatorial Candidate Presentation: Tim Walz** (confirmed)
*Both major party gubernatorial candidates were invited to give a brief presentation during one of the General Sessions at this conference.
- **Presentation: Hadi Sedigh**, Director, National Association of Counties (NACo) Futures Lab

10:15 – 11:30 a.m. Breakout Sessions

• **A Conversation about Economic Development in Minnesota**
Room: Lake Nokomis

Presenter: Kevin McKinnon, Deputy Commissioner of Economic Development, DEED

• **Evidence-based Strategies for Improving Social Media Use**
Room: Lake Minnewaska

Presenter: Kathy Quick, Associate Professor, UM Humphrey School

• **Transportation Investment Promotes Employment in Minnesota Counties**
Room: Lake Osakis & Miltona

Presenter: Jerry (Zhirong) Zhao, Associate Professor, UM Humphrey School

• **Engage the Next Generation of Employees: The Changing Workplace**
Room: Lake Vermillion

Presenter: Josh Dye, President & Founder, Convene Training + Resilience Community

Thursday, continued.

11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Lunch & General Session

Tennis Center

- **Gubernatorial Candidate Presentation: Jeff Johnson** (confirmed)
*Both major party gubernatorial candidates were invited to give a brief presentation during one of the General Sessions at this conference.

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Policy Committee Meetings

- **Environment & Natural Resources**
Room: Lake Vermillion
- **General Government**
Room: Lake Minnewaska
- **Health & Human Services**
Room: Lake Osakis & Miltona
- **Public Safety**
Room: Lake Itasca
- **Transportation & Infrastructure**
Room: Lake Nokomis

4:30 p.m.

Social Hour

Outdoors (weather permitting – alternate location Tennis Center)

5:00 p.m.

MCF Bean Bag Tournament & Wine Pull

Outdoors (weather permitting – alternate location Tennis Center)

6:30 p.m.

Dinner

Tennis Center

Friday, September 14, 2018

7:30 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet

Tennis Center

8:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Policy Committee Meetings Continue

- **Environment & Natural Resources**
Room: Lake Vermillion
- **General Government**
Room: Lake Minnewaska
- **Health & Human Services**
Room: Lake Osakis & Miltona
- **Public Safety**
Room: Lake Itasca
- **Transportation & Infrastructure**
Room: Lake Nokomis

11:30 a.m.

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