

2022 Summit Schedule

Welcome: Bill Sederburg WNC Broadband Project

Nancy Cable – UNCA Chancellor

Janice Brumit - Chair, Dogwood Health Trust

Kelli Brown—Western Carolina University Chancellor

Recognition of Dignitaries - Bill Sederburg

Conversation about Federal Policy in 2022: Hosted by Greg Vogt

Paul De Sa - Broadband consultant to Pres. Biden

Ms. Angela Siefer - Director, National Digital Inclusion Alliance

State Policy and Funding: Angie Bailey - Director of the NC Broadband Infrastructure Office

Regional Highlights: Sara Nichols (LOS) and Russ Harris (SW Commission)

<u>Filling the Gaps to Leverage Solutions:</u> Hosted by Jonathan Feldman (CIO Asheville)

Roberto Gallardo— Purdue University & author

Aaron Shill—NDIA -Director of Strategic Initiatives

Ben Sheldon—NC BIO— Mapping project manager

Shanda Bedoian—Blue Ridge Community College

Curtis Hansen— Appalachian Regional Commission broadband manager

Breakout sessions:

Group 1: Federal Policy – Hosted by Greg Vogt: Paul De Sa & Aaron Shill

Group 2: Inclusiveness Strategies— Maggie Woods—NC Institute for Emerging Issues

Group 3: Funding – George Collier: NC BIO & Sarah Thompson—Dogwood Trust

Group 4: Future Steps—Bill Sederburg—WNC Broadband & Marc Hoit—NCSU