

ACT Council for Telework and Alternative Work Arrangements
Meeting May 5, 2015, 2-3 p.m. Eastern Time

Participants: Elham Shirazi and Sara Hendricks – Co-Chairs, Beth Johnson - Secretary, Jim Barr - ACT Board Council liaison, Jason Pavluchuk - ACT Public Policy Council

1. Broadband Access Input

Jason requested input from the Council regarding challenges to Telework from lack of universal broadband access. There is a misconception that all of the country is connected by broadband. Jason would like council members to send talking points and statistical data to him especially as relates to issues with employers and lack of connectivity at employees' homes affecting their ability to work remotely. Beth will issue request to membership at large. Elham will reach out to Mobile Exchange and the Telework Coalition; Sara will reach out to Nicole Goluboff and Monica Babine.

2. Conference Session

ACT Board determined that Councils can invite nonmembers to be speakers/presenters without requiring them to register for the conference.

The Council draft Telework session was approved. Council needs to line up 3 speakers for the panel. Several names were mentioned from Montgomery County Commuter Services, King County Metro, Telework VA. Sara and Elham will reach out and nail down the panel in next couple of days.

Council will request that all presenters provide their presentation in advance to be loaded on one laptop to be used at the session.

3. Conference General Meeting

Discussion about difficulties in getting people to attend the general council meeting. Discussion about having a speaker at the session to discuss "Shared economy" and its impacts on TDM and Telework which could be advertised to the membership. Will request not having thr council session at same time as Public Policy Council meeting.

4. ACT Board

Jim brought up subject of posting of online posting of vendors, resources to the Executive Committee. The Board will continue to discuss whether the list would include ACT members only or be open to outsiders. They will most likely take this to the Communications Committee for input.

Next Meeting – Council Leaders will conference on 5/15 to discuss whitepaper requested by Public Policy Council & on 5/5 to discuss Conference Panel presenters