

Center Finance Meeting Agenda

March 9, 2023

Hosted by: The Foundation for Manufacturing Excellence

Facilitators:

Brenda Schmidt, MMTC

Robert Wee, CMTC

Michelle Fusak, OMEP

| Time | Topic | Who |
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| 9:30–10:00 | Welcome and Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What center are you from? • What is your center’s business model? • How long have you been at your center? | All including NIST Team |
| 10:00-11:00 | Introduction to the new NIST MEP Grants team. Possible topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goals of new team • Future plans • Renewal process • SF 425 training • Budgets • Others | Presenters: NIST MEP and Grants Staff |
| 11:00-12:00 | Possible Topics: Expansion Award Chips Act Funding Supply Chain Others | Presenters: NIST MEP Staff |

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| 12:00-1:00 | Lunch | All: Columbia A |
| 1:00 – 2:00 | <p>Breakout Sessions - What issues keep you up at night?</p> <p>Group 1 – 501c3 Group 2 – Universities Group 3 – States</p> <p>Possible issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Center Systems – CRM, Accounting, Budget, etc. • Employee turnover • Operating reserves • Utilization • Project booking • Rates • SRA monitoring • Cost Share • Program Income • Indirect proposal • 3rd Party Contractors • Performance program • Financial Reports • Dashboards • Etc. | <p>Centers Personnel Only</p> <p>Facilitator – Michelle Fusak Facilitator – Brenda Schmidt Facilitator – Robert Wee</p> |
| 2:00-2:30 | Networking Break | |
| 2:30-3:30 | Prioritizing Issues Facing Centers from Breakout Sessions | Centers Personnel Only |
| 3:30-4:00 | Future Topics and Ideas | Centers Personnel Only |