

**Rural Education Council
Aspen Room
Doubletree Hotel
Grand Junction, Colorado
Wednesday, April 20, 2016
8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Agenda

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| 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. | Hot Breakfast Buffet/Networking |
| 8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. | Welcome, Introductions
Commissioner Remarks |
| 8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. | Local Overview – Colorado Mountain College
Rural Educator Recruitment and Retention - Continuing the Dialogue
Richard Maestas, Regional Vice-President, Glenwood Springs Campus,
Colorado Mountain College |
| 9:30 a.m. – 9:35 a.m. | Break |
| 9:35 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. | Dialogue with the Commissioner
Topics to be discussed: Educator Effectiveness Metrics, Every Student
Succeeds (ESSA) and Rural, Consolidation and
Blended Learning Models |
| 11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | Lunch |
| 12:15 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. | Continuing the Conversation with Key Stakeholders in the Department of
Higher Education – Rural Educator Recruitment and Retention
Robert Mitchell, Ph.D. Academic Policy Officer of Educator
Preparation, Department of Higher Education
Megan Quitter, Rural Recruiter, Western State Colorado University |

12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. **Rural Relief Proposals - Feedback and Input from the Council Members**

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Summary of the Meeting**
Next Steps
Next Meeting Agenda Items

Next Meeting Monday, July 25, 2016
CASE Annual Convention, Breckenridge