

# NCPERS 2025 CHIEF OFFICERS SUMMIT

*Where Public Pension Leaders Engage*



June 16-18 | New York City, NY



## FINAL AGENDA

(As of 6/10/25)

### MONDAY, JUNE 16

12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

#### **WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP LUNCHEON**

*This is an optional event for fund/stakeholder members only.*

2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

#### **REGISTRATION | 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Pre-function Foyer**

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

#### **GENERAL SESSION I | Grand Ballroom Salon A&B (3rd Fl.)**

4:00 PM – 4:15 PM

*Welcome Address*

*Hank Kim, Executive Director, NCPERS*

4:15 PM – 5:00 PM

*Sparking Connections: Introductions, Expectations, and Goals*

5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

#### **NETWORKING RECEPTION | Grand Ballroom Salon C (3rd Fl.)**

## TUESDAY, JUNE 17

7:00 AM – 5:30 PM	<b>REGISTRATION</b>   3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Pre-function Foyer
7:00 AM – 8:00 AM	<b>BREAKFAST</b>   Grand Ballroom Salon A&B (3rd Fl.)
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>GENERAL SESSION II</b>   Grand Ballroom Salon A&B (3rd Fl.)
8:00 AM – 8:45 AM	<b>Organizational Culture and Expanding the Talent Pool</b>
	<b>SPEAKERS:</b> <i>Shunne Powell, Teacher Retirement System of Texas</i> <i>Elizabeth Reyes, NYC Employees' Retirement System (NYCERS)</i> <i>Sasha Talcott, KKR</i>
	<b>EMCEE:</b> <i>Erin Leonard, Minnesota State Retirement System (MSRS)</i>
8:45 AM – 9:30 AM	<b>How Does My Plan Stack Up? Meaningful Metrics for Comparing Public Plans</b>
	<b>SPEAKERS:</b> <i>Jake Libauskas, Cheiron Inc.</i> <i>Greg Reardon, Cheiron Inc.</i>
	<b>EMCEE:</b> <i>Derrick Dagnan, Fort Worth Employees' Retirement Fund</i>
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>REFRESHMENT BREAK</b>   3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Pre-function Foyer

10:00 AM – 10:45 AM

## CONCURRENT TRACKS

CEO TRACK I	CIO TRACK I
<p>Grand Ballroom Salon A&amp;B (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>The State of Financial Wellness in the Public Sector</b></p> <p><b>SPEAKERS</b></p> <p><i>Chris Hanson, City of Austin Employees' Retirement System (COAERS)</i></p> <p><i>Matt Petersen, National Association of Government Defined Contribution Administrators (NAGDCA)</i></p> <p><b>EMCEE</b></p> <p><i>Kristi Paczkowski, City of Knoxville Employees' Pension System</i></p>	<p>Grand Ballroom Salon C (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>Case Study: Delegated Authority and Various Discretion Models</b></p> <p><b>FACILITATOR</b></p> <p><i>Derrick Dagnan, Fort Worth Employees' Retirement Fund</i></p>

10:45 AM – 11:30 AM

## CONCURRENT TRACKS

CEO TRACK I	CIO TRACK I
<p>Grand Ballroom Salon A&amp;B (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>Workforce Survey: Trends in Recruitment and Retention</b></p> <p><b>SPEAKERS</b></p> <p><i>Cara Woodson Welch, PSHRA</i></p> <p><i>Gerald Young, MissionSquare Research Institute</i></p> <p><b>EMCEE</b></p> <p><i>Mark White, Arkansas Teacher Retirement System</i></p>	<p>Grand Ballroom Salon C (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>360-Analysis of Secondary Markets</b></p> <p><b>SPEAKERS</b></p> <p><i>Jennifer Choi, Institutional Limited Partners Association (ILPA)</i></p> <p><i>Jason Malinowski, Seattle City Employees' Retirement System</i></p> <p><b>EMCEE</b></p> <p><i>Bryan Fujita, Los Angeles Fire and Police Pensions (LAFPP)</i></p>

11:30 AM – 12:15 PM

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CEO TRACK I	CIO TRACK I
<p>Grand Ballroom Salon A&amp;B (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>Case Study: How to Build Staff Ownership in a Mission Driven Organization</b></p> <p>FACILITATOR <i>Chris Hanson, City of Austin Employees' Retirement System (COAERS)</i></p>	<p>Grand Ballroom Salon C (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>Economically Targeted Investments: Are They Appropriate for Public Pensions?</b></p> <p>SPEAKERS <i>Bryan Fujita, Los Angeles Fire and Police Pensions (LAFPP)</i> <i>Kristin Varela, Hawaii Employees Retirement System</i> <i>Steven Meier, NYC Bureau of Asset Management</i></p> <p>EMCEE <i>Christopher DiFusco, City of Philadelphia Board of Pensions &amp; Retirement</i></p>

12:15 PM – 1:15 PM

## NETWORKING LUNCH | Grand Ballroom Salon A&B (3rd Fl.)

1:30 PM – 2:15 PM

## CONCURRENT TRACKS

CEO TRACK II	CIO TRACK II
<p>Grand Ballroom Salon A&amp;B (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>Effective Use of Dashboards and Visualization Platforms</b></p> <p>SPEAKERS <i>Prabesh Prakash, NYC Employees Retirement System</i></p> <p>EMCEE <i>Colleen Gardner, New York State &amp; Local Retirement System</i></p>	<p>Grand Ballroom Salon C (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>Case Study: The Evolution of the Investment Consultant Industry</b></p> <p>FACILITATORS <i>Ryan Wagner, Dallas Police &amp; Fire Pension System</i> <i>Jason Malinowski, Seattle City Employees' Retirement System</i></p>

2:15 PM – 3:00 PM

## CONCURRENT TRACKS

CEO TRACK II	CIO TRACK II
Grand Ballroom Salon A&B (3rd Fl.)	Grand Ballroom Salon C (3rd Fl.)
Facilitated Small Group Discussions	Facilitated Small Group Discussions

3:15 PM – 4:00 PM

## GENERAL SESSION III | Grand Ballroom Salon A&B (3rd Floor)

3:15 PM – 4:00 PM

### AI and Power- An Infrastructure Perspective

#### SPEAKERS:

*Will Brilliant, Global Infrastructure Partners (BlackRock)*

#### EMCEE:

*Steven Meier, NYC Bureau of Asset Management*

5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

## NETWORKING RECEPTION & DINNER

Delmonico's

56 Beaver Street

(11-minute walk from the Marriott, 0.5 mi)

**Attire:** Business casual

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

7:00 AM – 12:00 PM	<b>REGISTRATION</b>   3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Pre-function Foyer
7:00 AM – 8:00 AM	<b>BREAKFAST</b>   Grand Ballroom Salon A&B (3rd Fl.)
8:00 AM – 9:45 AM	<b>GENERAL SESSION IV</b>   Grand Ballroom Salon A&B (3rd Fl.)
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	<b>Liquidity Management for Negative Cashflow Plans</b>
	<b>SPEAKERS:</b> <i>Ryan Wagner, Dallas Police &amp; Fire Pension System</i> <i>Eric Friedman, Aon</i> <i>Chris McDonough, Investment Performance Services</i>
	<b>EMCEE:</b> <i>Christopher DiFusco, City of Philadelphia Board of Pensions &amp; Retirement</i>
9:00 AM – 9:45 AM	<b>Economic and Geopolitical Outlook</b>
	<b>SPEAKER:</b> <i>Henry McVey, KKR</i>
9:45 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>REFRESHMENT BREAK</b>   3rd Floor Pre-function Foyer
10:00 AM – 10:45 AM	<b>CONCURRENT TRACKS</b>
CEO TRACK III	CIO TRACK III
Grand Ballroom Salon A&B (3rd Fl.)  <b>How Can Pensions Create a Sustainable Partnership with Plan Sponsors Through Engagement?</b>  SPEAKERS <i>Abby Spieler, Missouri State Employees Retirement System (MOSERS)</i> <i>Jeffrey Weiler, Fairfax County Retirement Systems</i> <i>Christina Jackson, Fairfax County Government</i>  EMCEE <i>Colleen Gardner, New York State &amp; Local Retirement System</i>	Grand Ballroom Salon C (3rd Fl.)  <b>The Pros and Cons of Asset Allocation Simplicity</b>  SPEAKERS <i>Jon Putnam, Montana Board of Investments</i> <i>Scott Simon, Fire and Police Pension Association of Colorado</i>  EMCEE <i>Rod June, LA City Employees Retirement System (LACERS)</i>

10:45 AM – 11:30 AM

### CONCURRENT TRACKS

CEO TRACK III	CIO TRACK III
<p>Grand Ballroom Salon A&amp;B (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>Tools, Strategies, and Resources to Reach Younger Plan Participants</b></p> <p><b>SPEAKERS</b></p> <p><i>Jennifer Benz, Segal Olivia Applegate, San Bernardino County Employees' Retirement Association (SBCERA)</i></p> <p><b>EMCEE</b></p> <p><i>Kristi Paczkowski, City of Knoxville Employees' Pension System</i></p>	<p>Grand Ballroom Salon C (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>Case Study: Benchmark Best Practices</b></p> <p><b>FACILITATOR</b></p> <p><i>Bryan Fujita, Los Angeles Fire and Police Pensions (LAFPP)</i></p>

11:30 AM - 11:45 AM

### REFRESHMENT BREAK | 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Pre-function Foyer

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM

### CONCURRENT TRACKS

CEO TRACK III	CIO TRACK III
<p>Grand Ballroom Salon A&amp;B (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>Organizational Health: The Journey of FPPA Towards Better Outcomes</b></p> <p><b>SPEAKERS</b></p> <p><i>Fire and Police Pension Association of Colorado (FPPA): Kevin Lindahl, Executive Director Adam Franklin, General Counsel Ahni Smith, Chief Operations Officer Chip Weule, Chief Benefits Officer Elaine Gorton, Culture and People Officer Scott Simon, Chief Investment Officer Teresa Dupree, Chief Information Technology Officer</i></p> <p><b>EMCEE</b></p> <p><i>Dr. Cris Tietsort, Professor of Communication, University of Denver</i></p>	<p>Grand Ballroom Salon C (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>Is It Time to Rethink Investing in Emerging Markets?</b></p> <p><b>SPEAKERS</b></p> <p><i>Rod June, LA County Employees Retirement System (LACERS) Paul Podolsky, Kate Capital</i></p> <p><b>EMCEE</b></p> <p><i>Derrick Dagnan, Fort Worth Employees' Retirement Fund</i></p>

12:30 PM – 1:15 PM

### CONCURRENT TRACKS

CEO TRACK III	CIO TRACK III
<p>Grand Ballroom Salon A&amp;B (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>Proactive Engagement to Improve Connectivity with Stakeholders</b></p> <p><b>SPEAKERS</b></p> <p><i>Kendal Killian, National Public Pension Coalitions</i></p> <p><i>Erin Leonard, Minnesota State Retirement System (MSRS)</i></p> <p><i>Bill Neville, Formerly of State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio</i></p> <p><b>EMCEE</b></p> <p><i>Steve Delaney, Orange County Employees Retirement System (OCERS)</i></p>	<p>Grand Ballroom Salon C (3rd Fl.)</p> <p><b>Creating a Culture to Develop Future CIOs</b></p> <p><b>SPEAKER</b></p> <p><i>Ashbel Williams, J.P. Morgan</i></p> <p><b>EMCEE</b></p> <p><i>Rod June, LA County Employees Retirement System (LACERS)</i></p>

1:15 PM – 1:30 PM **CLOSING REMARKS**

2:30 PM – 4:30 PM **NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE CLOSING BELL EVENT**

5:00 PM **HAPPY HOUR**

[West Side Bar](#)

85 West Street at Albany Street  
(Lobby of Marriott New York Downtown)