



NGCP Champions Board Quarterly Meeting Chat Transcript, July 27, 2017

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General Chat

Erin Hogeboom: Thank you for joining us today! Please introduce yourself and your organization here, as well as answering our check-in question: If a student asked you, what would you tell them is the most exciting about the work you do?

Esperanza Zenon: Hi Anita

Esperanza Zenon: Networking is always exciting to me

Anita Krishnamurthi: Hi, this is Anita Krishnamurthi. Formerly from the Afterschool Alliance, now blissfully a woman of leisure. And soon to be Special Advisor in the Office of External Affairs and Communications at the Univ. of Cambridge (UK).

Michael Smith (Dr. Mike): Michael Smith (Dr. Mike) here.... Deputy Executive Director of the National GEM Consortium. www.gemfellowship.org

Erin Hogeboom: Hi everyone, Erin Hogeboom from the National Girls Collaborative here. I think the most exciting thing I get to do is meet new people and help make connections (I know that was two).

Michael Smith (Dr. Mike): Also serve as the Diversity Council chair for DiscoverE (www.DiscoverE.org), National Engineers Week Foundation.

Melissa Ballard: Hi all, this is Melissa Ballard from the Afterschool Alliance.

Randy Freedman: Director of Student Programs with SWE

Michael Smith (Dr. Mike): I would tell students. Being able to directly connect, engage with, inspire and learn from students, especially with regards to STEM., is very exciting.

Melissa Ballard: Best part of my work is getting to hear all the new and innovate ideas that educators/practitioners come up with!

Ed Doody: Ed Doody - Student Research Foundation

Judith Iriarte-Gross: Judith Iriarte-Gross for AWIS, I would tell students that STEM is everywhere.

Anita Krishnamurthi: What I love to do is set the chess board and strategies so more young people can access STEM and discover much fun it can be.

Mimi Lufkin: Mimi Lufkin - National Alliance for Partnerships in Equity. Being creative and coming up with effective ways to collaborate across states to help increase educational equity

Paris Forest - Boeing: Hi, this is Paris Forest from The Boeing Company!

Michael Smith (Dr. Mike): Hi Mimi! :)

Paris Forest - Boeing: I would tell the students that the most exciting thing about what I do is getting to investigate and learn new technologies

Mimi Lufkin: Hi Dr. Mike!

megan murphy: Megan Murphy from National Coalition of Girls' Schools

Mimi Lufkin: Yeah Esperanza - she also serves on the NAPE Executive Committee!

Esperanza Zenon: Hi Mimi

Erin Hogeboom: Welcome, everyone, thank you for joining us! Please feel free to type questions or thoughts here as our presentations are happening.

Melissa Ballard: That's amazing!

Erin Hogeboom: Thanks, Melissa! :)

Mimi Lufkin: Which NSF program?

Mimi Lufkin: Great - Fantastic!!

Anita Krishnamurthi: Are you happy with the way The Connectory is going?

megan murphy: Ashley Hall, a member school of the National Coalition of Girls' School, located in Charleston, SC might be interested in partnering with you. I am happy to provide an introduction.

megan murphy: great :)

Erin Hogeboom: The bulk upload is amazing! If you know of any programs that are seeking an easy way to upload their opportunities, please have them email info@theconnectory.org.

Karen Peterson: Australian "Connectory": <https://www.starportal.edu.au/>

Erin Hogeboom: If you have any questions for Esperanza, please type them here and I will field them to her after her presentation.

Michael Smith (Dr. Mike): The STEM LA3 alliance appears to embrace the methodology of "Collective Impact"...

Esperanza Zenon: I like that phrase Dr. Mike...thanks!

Mimi Lufkin: This is a great example of sustainability efforts after a national initiative gets something started. This is always the big challenge in doing this work and having a group like LA3 model this is great!

Barbara Gault: MS womens fund will be interested in this work, related to their community college initiative

Ed Doody: Great point Dr. Mike!

Karen Peterson: Yes, Mimi - exactly.

Anita Krishnamurthi: Esperanza, who are the other champions for STEM and women in STEM in LA? Any high level stakeholders driving the STEM convo in LA?

Anita Krishnamurthi: Businesses/govt. officials etc. I mean.

Esperanza Zenon: Anita fortunately, the NAPE "side" of the organization has membership and partners in govt and business on down thru college and K-12

Esperanza Zenon: I would be happy to put you in touch with some of our govt and business individuals if needed

Anita Krishnamurthi: Great! do you feel that LA as a state sees STEM as important and is interested in developing a STEM-ready workforce?

Anita Krishnamurthi: I am trying to figure out if the drive towards STEM is coming from advocates or business/policymakers who see it as a driver of economic growth for the state...

Esperanza Zenon: I do Anita. The work that STEM LA3 and many of our partners is a testament to that

Esperanza Zenon: To some degree it is probably all of them

Anita Krishnamurthi: That's great, thank you!

Karen Peterson: Thank you all for your great comments!

Karen Peterson: Hubs within larger states

Paris Forest - Boeing: How do we ensure that the NGCP is permeated throughout the state are there multiple locals?

Esperanza Zenon: Spotlights are great!

Erin Hogeboom: With any thoughts or comments on the strategic planning portion, please email Erin at ehogeboom@ngcproject.org. Thanks in advance!

Judith Iriarte-Gross: Thank you for this opportunity to catch up! Remind me about spotlights.

Erin Hogeboom: That's a great question, Paris!

Erin Hogeboom: Let's talk offline!

Paris Forest - Boeing: sounds good

Paris Forest – Boeing: thanks Erin

Erin Hogeboom: Thank you, Paris! And welcome to you and Melissa, your first Champions Board Meeting!

Paris Forest - Boeing: It was great, looking forward to learning more and more

Anita Krishnamurthi: Good to be brought up to speed, thanks. And let us know how we can continue to help in strategic ways.

Melissa Ballard: Thanks Erin and Karen! Glad to be here :)

Erin Hogeboom: Thanks, Anita, we certainly will!

Please answer here: What is NGCP's most valuable asset?

Anita Krishnamurthi: networks and connections

Melissa Ballard: Open-minded and creative leadership.

Mimi Lufkin: Its network of grassroots organizations working on engaging girls in STEM

Esperanza Zenon: Connections and partnerships

Barbara Gault: infrastructure for collective impact

Mimi Lufkin: Its reputation in the field for its high quality work and thought leadership

Paris Forest - Boeing: Connectivity

Michael Smith (Dr. Mike): Local to state level collaboration and shared resources.

Barbara Gault: impact: speed of innovation in diversity in STEM

Please answer here: What impact does NGCP have on the 'girls in STEM' effort?

Siobhan Bredin, NCASE: The connection across organizations, initiatives, projects, cities, states increases the power and impact of the work and people can learn from each other, collaborate and not reinvent the wheel on their own

Melissa Ballard: Gets the various "silos" talking to each other....so seeding or allowing for collective impact

Mimi Lufkin: Is a forum for sharing resources and strategies across organizations to leverage limited financial resources and implement best practices

Esperanza Zenon: NGCP has created a model for how this work can and should be done

Anita Krishnamurthi: Helping people doing this work feel like they are not alone and have partners.

Michael Smith (Dr. Mike): NGCP's value proposition includes its focus on grass roots (local community) engagement of girl's in STEM. The local to state level Collaboratives provide direct impact and response to local needs, and in some cases, just in time resources that support the effort.

Mimi Lufkin: Scale effective programs that inspire girls in STEM - ignite the spark that needs to be kindled

Paris Forest - Boeing: Being a new Champion, there is so much yet for me to learn. I see the impact being the ability for the individual states to cast a wide net in driving awareness and opportunities for engagement for not just girls but educators and supporters alike

Mimi Lufkin: NGCP has been true to its mission of collaboration and using it as a way to move this agenda forward at the national, state and local level