



# Oh, the places we will go! Exploring the Future of Civic Engagement

## **Bonner Fall Directors and Coordinators' Meeting**

**The Claggett Center • November 1-4, 2016**

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In the spirit of **fellowship and celebration**, this Bonner Fall Directors and Coordinators Meeting is designed to do the following:

- Provide staff with opportunities to participate in **meaningful dialogue and learning** across programs and our colleges and universities, especially about the opportunities and challenges for enhancing our work and civic engagement partnerships across the institution and communities
- Provide **professional development** and skill building opportunities that equip staff for leadership on campus and in the field
- Ensure that the Bonner Program and network remain on the “**growing edge**” that can support college access and student success, effective community partnerships, and campus-wide integration while navigating the challenges within higher education



# Agenda

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## **Tuesday, November 1, 2016**

### **Travel to the Claggett Center**

**Registration** at the Claggett Center  
3035 Buckeystown Pike, Adamstown, MD 21710  
You'll be able to check in from 3:00 pm on

### **5:30 pm - 6:45 pm**

**Dinner and casual networking** with the Bonner network ~  
The Claggett Center Dining Hall

### **7:00 pm - 8:30 pm**

**Welcome and Opening Session ~ Mapping and Exploring the Terrain of Civic Engagement on Our Campuses**

In this session, Bonner staff will have the opportunity to take a journey on “Bonner’s Excellent Adventure” to consider, envision, and discuss the future of civic and community engagement and learning on our campuses. We’ll engage in dialogue about where our work stands on campus now and its link to institutional mission and strategic priorities. We’ll identify and discuss some of the key current challenges (like the fiscal climate) that may be influencing our work. We’ll talk about what components (i.e., we need to move our work forward in the next years to come.

### **8:30 pm on**

Reception - casual social time for the Bonner community, with snacks and refreshments at the Claggett Center



## Wednesday, November 2, 2016

### 7:45 am - 8:45 am

**Breakfast (with buffet & healthy options)**  
The Claggett Center (or at your hotel)

### 9:00 am - 10:45 am

#### **All Group Session: Community Engaged Signature Work**

Last year, the Bonner network engaged in dialogue about the notion of civically connected academic pathways that culminate in an engaged capstone experience. Signature Work is part of the new Liberal Education and America's Promise (LEAP) Challenge. This fall, the Bonner Foundation and several campuses in our network have contributed stories to the current issue of *Diversity & Democracy*. In this session, we'll discuss key themes that are part of developing pathways to Community Engaged Signature Work.

### 11:00 am - 12:15 pm

#### **Elective Workshops**

A choice of 6 workshops, each of which is designed to build your professional knowledge and toolkit for building and managing the Bonner Program, as well as effective campus-wide centers. Topics will include:

- Are We Making a Difference in Our Work with Youth
- Bonner Leadership Teams That Inspire and Engage
- Incorporating Digital Tools into your Marketing
- The Book of Bonner: Integrating and Clarifying Program Elements for Students
- Top 15 Ways Faculty and Staff Support Students of Color
- Developing and Managing Community Partnerships that are Deep, Developmental, and Making an Impact

### 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

**Lunch** - The Claggett Center

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# Wednesday, November 2, 2016

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## **2:15 pm - 4:15 pm**

### **Cohort Learning Community Strategy Sessions**

This year, the Bonner Foundation and network is launching several cohort learning communities, designed to provide opportunities for learning and support across programs and campuses on key issues in our work. The following cohort learning communities will be meeting in person to engage in planning and dialogue:

- Campus-wide Student Led Engagement
- Community Engaged Signature Work
- Faculty Engagement
- PolicyOptions (CBR & Policy Research)
- Senior Presentations of Learning

Staff may split up to join different sessions. Definitely join the one that you will be a part of, and if your campus has not committed yet, you can still participate.

## **4:30 pm - 5:00 pm**

### **Campus Check In Time**

Given that staff may be split up in different dialogue groups and sessions throughout the day, your team has a chance to meet up. If you're alone from your campus, feel free to team up with another colleague to reflect and process.

## **5:15 pm**

Since we'll have dinner in nearby areas, like Adamstown, people will gather briefly to talk about carpooling and for announcements about restaurants.

## **5:30 pm- 8:45 pm**

Have dinner with colleagues off site.

## **9:00 pm on**

### **Reception and networking**

Casual social time with friends and colleagues back at the Claggett Center. Snacks and refreshments will be offered.

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## Thursday, November 3, 2016

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### **7:45 am - 8:45 am**

**Breakfast (with buffet & healthy options)** at The Claggett Center  
(or at your hotel for people staying off site)

### **9:00 am - 10:45 am**

#### **All Group Session: Student Learning Outcomes**

At this time, a number of campuses in the network have begun to formulate and finalize a set of intended student learning outcomes tied to civic and community engagement. This session will include a set of short presentations by some campuses that have articulated outcomes (or are on their way), sharing their processes. Includes presentations from: Berea College, Siena College, University of Richmond, and Warren Wilson College. Following up on the inquiry-based model learned from the University of Richmond in the Assessment Institute from last year, the Bonner network will do a data lab of these outcomes to discuss key common themes.

### **11:00 am - 12:15 pm**

**Elective Workshops** A choice of 6 workshops, each of which is designed to build your professional knowledge and tools with key aspects of the Bonner Program.

- Community Engaged January Term Courses
- Measuring Institutional Change: Putting Your National Assessment of Service and Community Engagement (NASCE) Data to Work
- Strategic Planning, Process, Problems, Progress
- Strategies for Campus Wide Engagement and Support
- Trauma Informed Care
- TVRS: An Example of Deep Partnerships in Action

### **12:30 pm - 2:00 pm**

**Lunch and Break** - The Claggett Center

# Thursday, November 3, 2016

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## 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

### Idea Labs: Design Thinking and Innovation Strategy Sessions

These blocks, rather than being conventional workshops or even sharing of best practices, will allow participants to wrestle with new ideas, surface and confront challenges with new solutions, or otherwise engage in creative thinking and dialogue. Choose a topic that suits you and come prepared to offer your insights and perspectives.

- Alumni Network
- BWBRS 4.0
- Envisioning the Future of Campus Community Engagement
- Issue Education and Organizing

## 4:15 pm - 5:15 pm

### All Bonner Business

Meeting to cover important Bonner Foundation and Network news, updates, and other information.

## 5:30 pm

### Reception and Dinner

The Claggett Center

## 7:00 pm on

Social Time!



# Friday, November 4, 2016

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## **7:45 am - 8:45 am**

**Breakfast (with buffet & healthy options)**

The Claggett Center (or at your hotel)

## **9:00 am - 10:30 am**

### **Staff Networking and Professional Development Discussions**

Bonner Fall Directors Meetings are always a great support for staff and faculty to find fellowship, be renewed, share and take away some ideas and best practices, and deepen their own professional knowledge and toolkit.

This session, planned and facilitated by Bonner National Fellows, will allow for staff to meet in groups with peers with similar levels of experience. You'll have a chance to discuss your experiences and to generate ideas for what kinds of professional development and supports might support you to stay inspired and acquire even greater leadership and competencies.

## **10:30 am - 11:00 am**

Closing

