

**DREAM 2018 Sketchbook**Session Highlights and Big Ideas



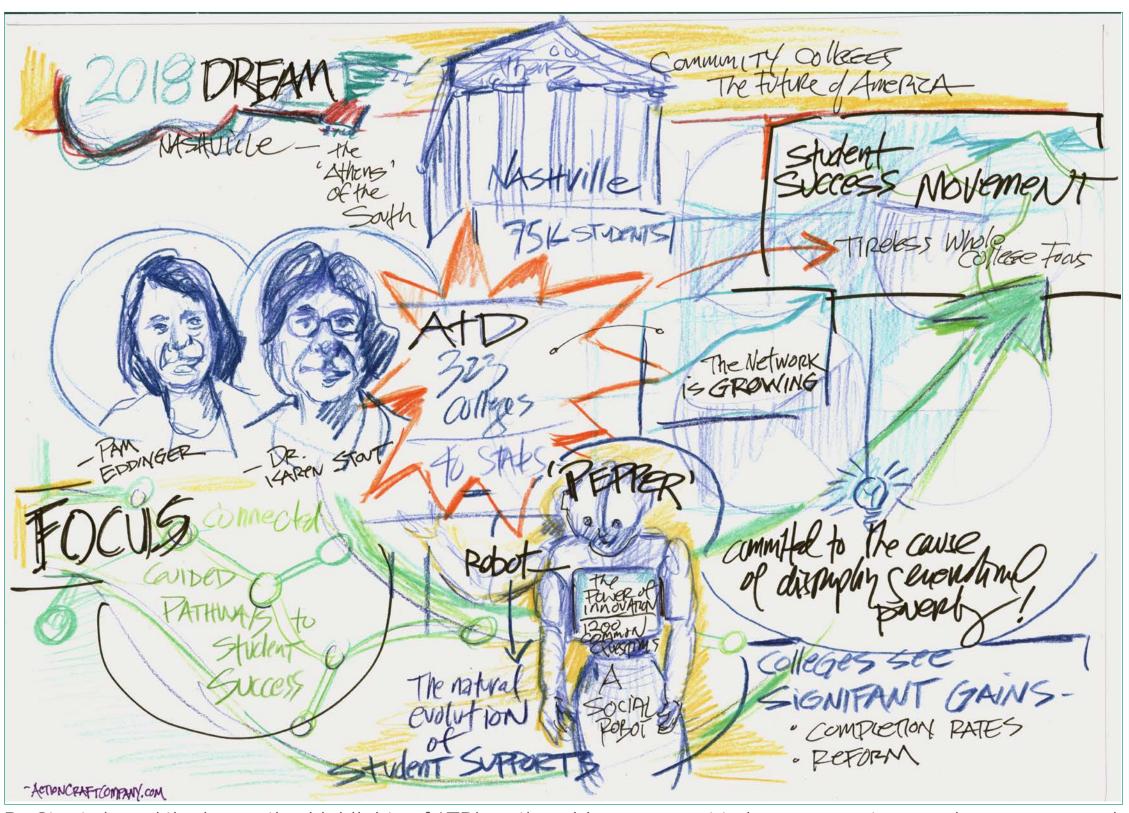
### Tuesday, February 20

# Opening Plenary. Advancing and Celebrating Student Success

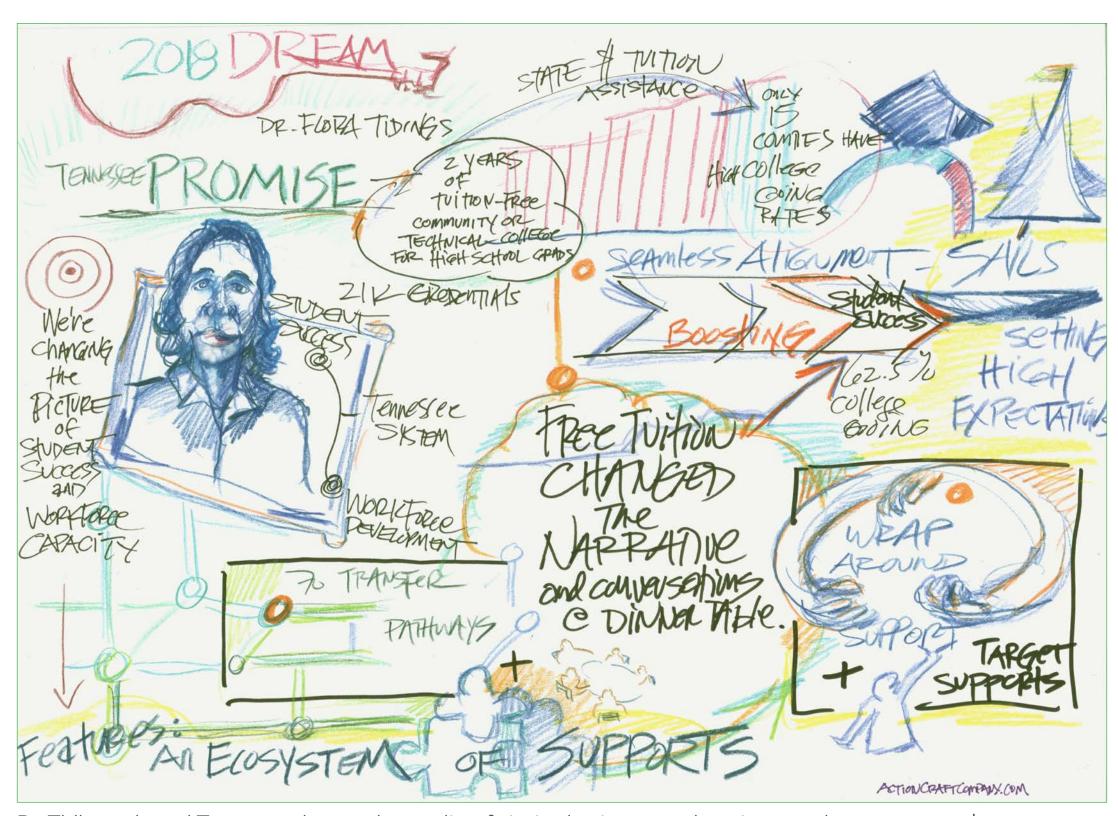
Join us for the official opening of the 14th annual DREAM as we gather to celebrate our collective efforts in advancing student success. We will also take a look at where we going as we continue to improve student outcomes and positively impact our communities.

Featuring presentation of the 2018 Leah Meyer Austin Award, presentation of the 2018 Achieving the Dream DREAM Scholars, and remarks from the following:

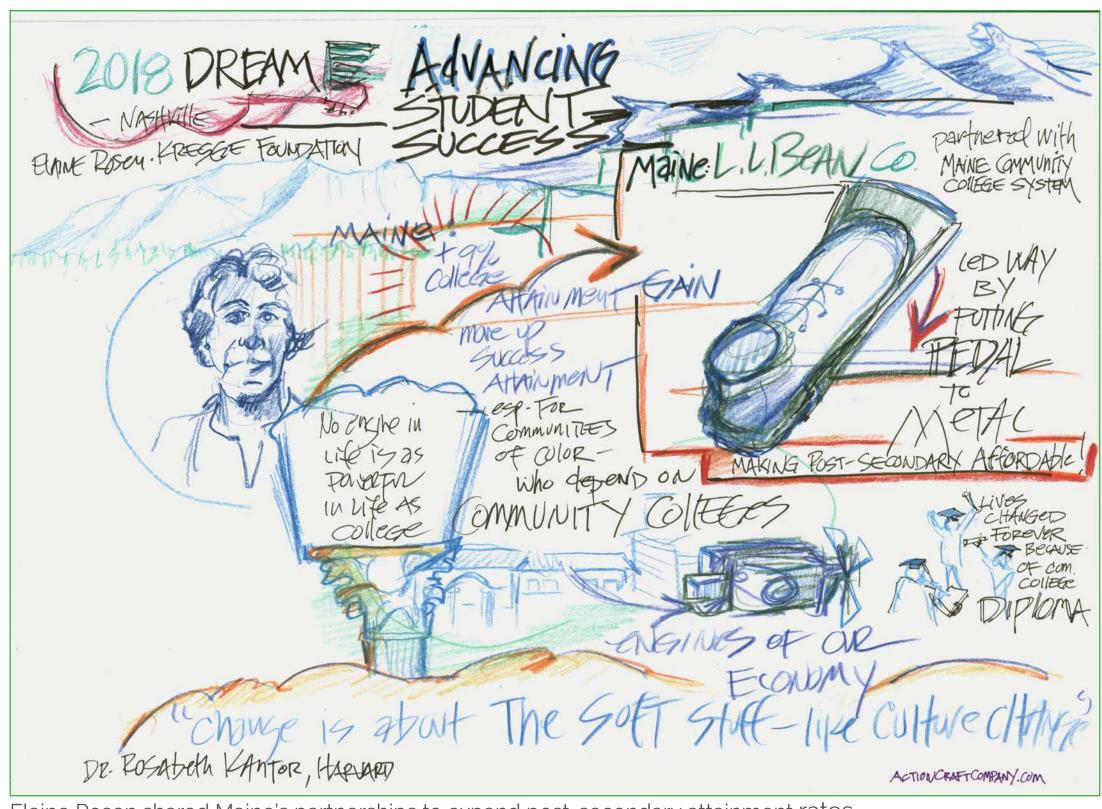
- •Karen Stout, President and CEO, and Pam Eddinger, President of Bunker Hill Community College and Board Chair, Achieving the Dream, Inc. highlighted the growth of the ATD student success movement. Dr. Stout showcased an interactive student support robot.
- •Flora Tydings, Chancellor, Tennessee Board of Regents described that state's ambitious Tennessee Promise initiative.
- •Elaine Rosen, Board Chair, Assurant, Inc., and Chair, Kresge Foundation Board of Trustees described Maine's strategies to improve post-secondary opportunities.



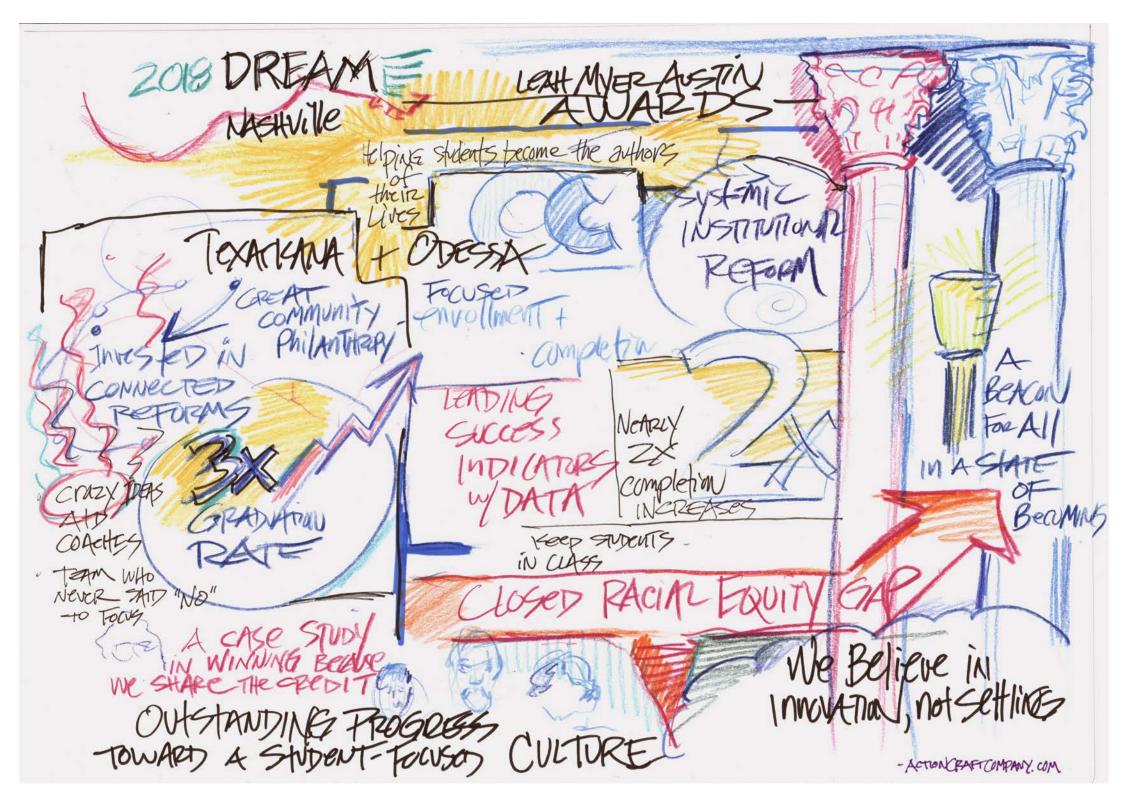
Dr. Stout shared the innovative highlights of ATD's nationwide movement to increase post-secondary success and to disrupt generational poverty and inequity.



Dr. Tidings shared Tennessee's seamless suite of strategies to expand post-secondary success rates



Elaine Rosen shared Maine's partnerships to expand post-secondary attainment rates



Texarkana College and Odessa College shared the Leah Meyer Austin award

## Wednesday, February 21

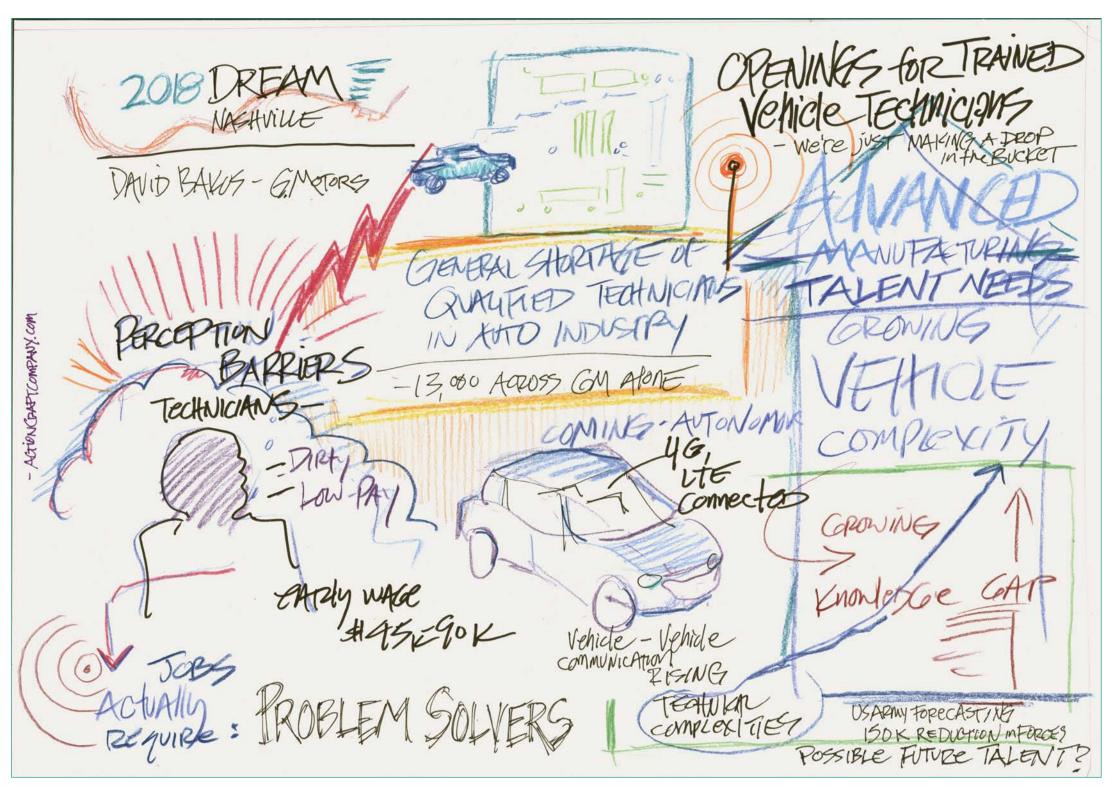
## Opening Plenary. Increasing Economic Mobility Through Broad Community Partnerships

This discussion focused on the need to build broad partnerships of different community partners to ensure access and opportunity to all students and create a talent pipeline for employers today and in the future.

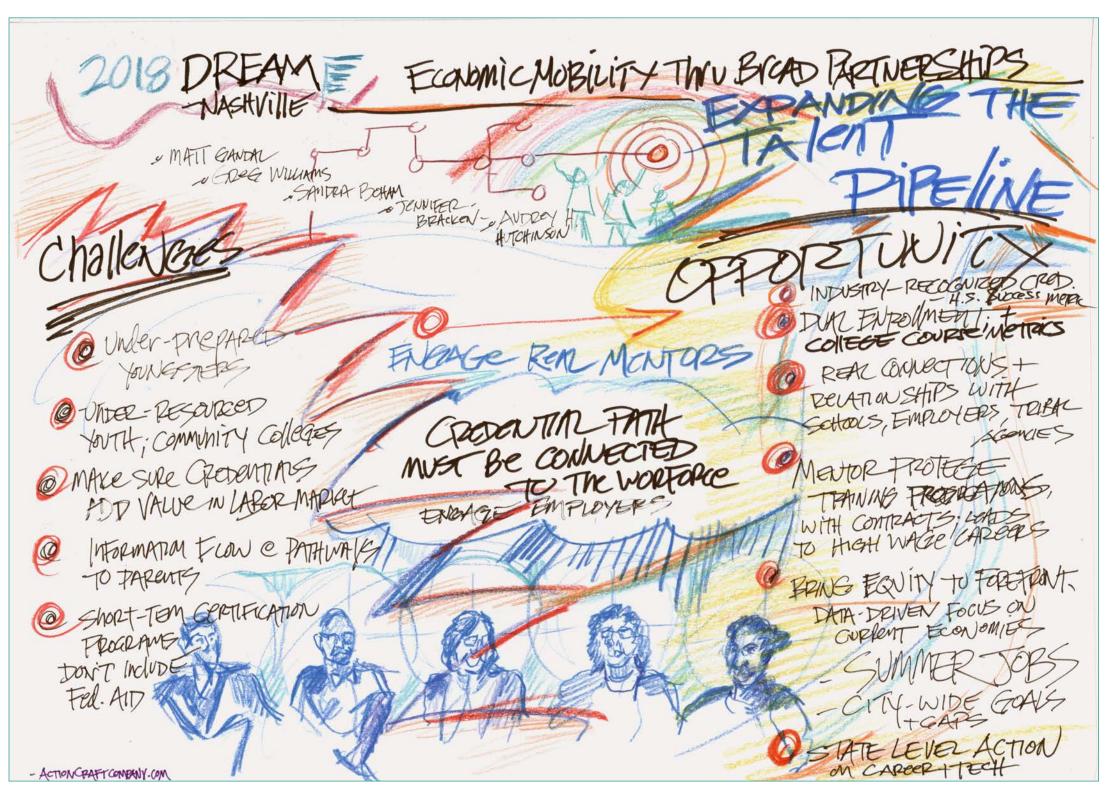
Speaker: David Bakos, Executive Director, Global Aftersales Engineering & Service Operations, General Motors

#### Panelists:

- · Sandra Boham, President, Salish Kootenai College
- Matt Gandal, Founder & President, Education Strategy Group
- · Jennifer E. Bracken, Director of Human Resources, Gaylord Opryland Resort & Attractions
- · Audrey M. Hutchinson, Director of Education and Expanded Learning, Institute for Youth, Education, National League of Cities
- Gregory Williams, President, Odessa College



David Bakos of General Motors described emerging talent challenges facing the auto industry and the increased scale of opportunities for technical skills in high-wage jobs



Panelists further described the challenges and emerging opportunities in the current workforce development system in this country.

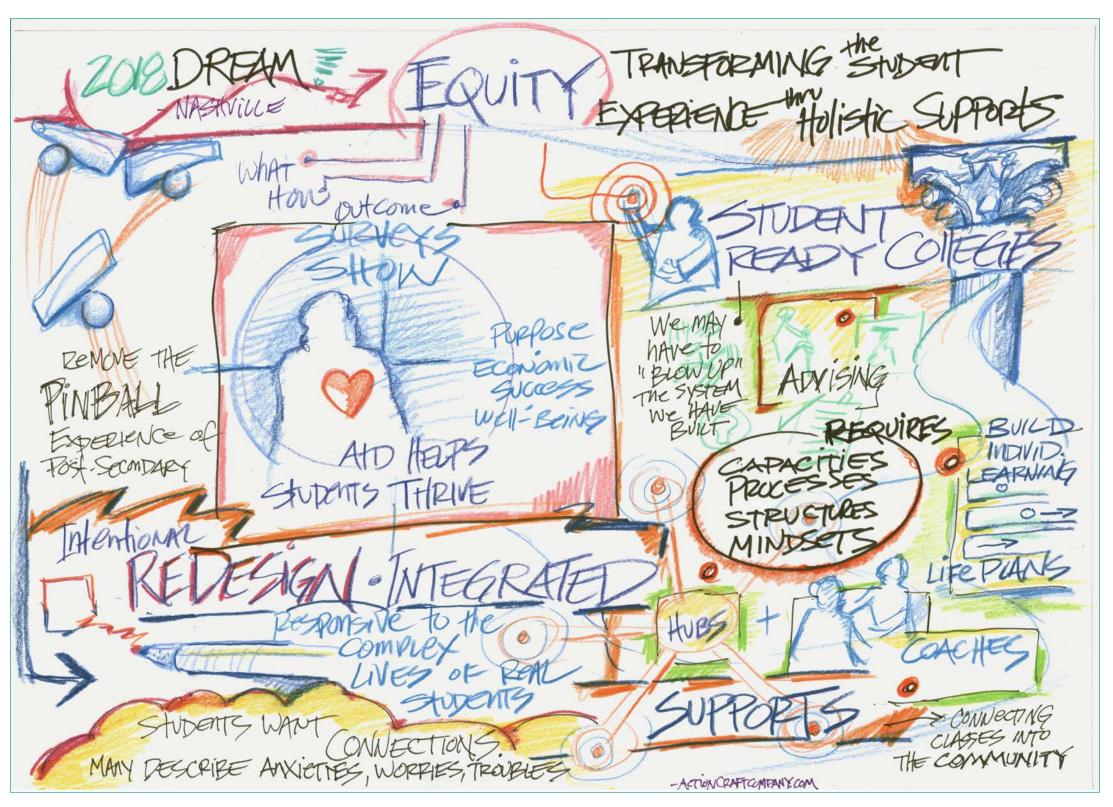
### Thursday, February 22

### Opening Plenary. Transforming the Student Experience through Holistic Student Supports

Centering the role of equity is a critical component of transforming the student experience by redesigning student supports into a more seamless and integrated experience. This session bridged theory and practice by sharing national perspectives and research on equity and student supports from Achieving the Dream, the Center for Community College Student Engagement, and the Community College Research Center. A panel of institutional leaders then discussed what is happening in practice and where the field needs to make progress.

#### Speakers:

- Mei-Yen Ireland, Director of Integrated Student Support Strategies, Achieving the Dream
- Karen Stout, President and CEO, Achieving the Dream
- Evelyn Waiwaiole, Executive Director, Center for Community College Student Engagement
- Hoori Kalamkarian, CCRC
- Pam Eddinger, President, Bunker Hill Community College
- · Cynthia Lindquist, President, Cankdeska Cikana Community College, Fort Totten, ND
- H. Jeffrey Rafn, President, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College



Panelists noted that equity is central to this discussion: it is the "how," the "what," and the "outdome" of our work. The group then further described the challenges and emerging opportunities to redesign the transformation of student supports into a holistic and integrated system that is responsive to the complext lives of real students.

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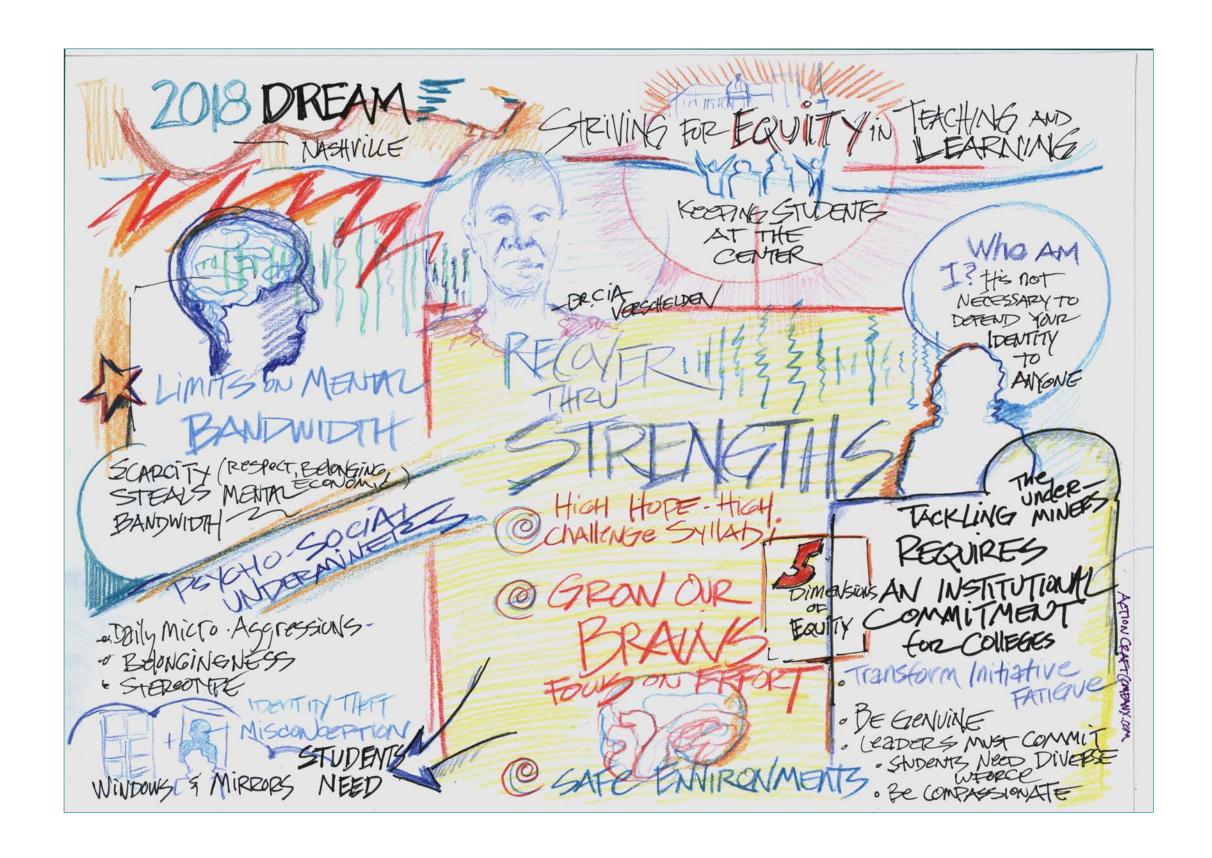
## Plenary Luncheon. Striving for Equity in Teaching & Learning

Drawing on recent research into the psycho-social underminers of necessary human bandwidth, Dr. Verschelden framed a strengths-based response for teachers and institutions. Panelists then discussed genunie and effective strategies.

**Speaker: Cia Verschelden**, Executive Director Institutional Assessment, University of Central Oklahoma and author of Bandwidth Recovery: Helping Students Reclain Cognitive Resources Lost to Poverty, Racism, and Social Marginalization.

#### Panelists:

- · Vicki Besaw, Faculty, English Department, College of Menominee Nation, Keshena, WI
- Michael Berndt, Vice President of Academic Affairs, Century College, White Bear Lake, MN
- Kristine Washburn, Faculty, Physics Department, co-Chair Guided Pathways Steering Committee, Everett Community College, Everett, WA
- Maria Pena, Chief Diversity and Equity Officer, Everett Community College



### Friday, February 23

### **Closing Plenary. Poems & Dreams**

Speaker: Richard Blanco

Richard Blanco was selected to serve as the fifth presidential inaugural poet in U.S. history by President Obama. He was the youngest, first Latino, immigrant and gay person to serve in this role. His poems reflect his own unique experience but also those of moments in our own collective history such as the bombings at the Boston Marathon. His talk focused on an individual's journey to find and sustain a home where one can be whole.

The 2018 DREAM Scholars followed Richard Blanco and shared their experiences and reflections from DREAM 2018.

### DREAM Scholars panel:

- Dolores Cortez, Student, Institute of American Indian Arts
- Kenneth Glynn, Student, Lorain County Community College
- Mardwina Lasseur, Student, Broward College
- Jenae Parker, Student, Columbus State Community College
- Elda Pere, Student, Bergen Community College
- Emery Sutherland, Student, Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute
- Kien Truong, Student, Portland Community College



