

Program
Third Annual Meeting of the Business and Economics Research Group
Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
Thursday, May 24, 2007
Hilton Downtown St. Louis – 4th and Olive

8:00 to 9:00: Continental Breakfast

9:00 to 10:30: Session 1 – Business Cycles and Measurement

“Forecasting Local Economies Using Structural Time Series Models” by David Penn, Middle Tennessee State University

“Education and the Business Cycle at the MSA Level” by Bryan Bezold, St. Louis Regional Chamber and Growth Association

“Employment Data Revisions in St. Louis” by Howard Wall, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis; Michael Pakko, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

10:30 to 10:50: Break

10:50 to Noon: Session 2 – Public Finance

“Transferable Tax Credits in Missouri: An Analytical Review” by Paul Rothstein, Washington University; Nathan Wineinger, Washington University

“How Well are 8th District States Prepared for the Next Recession?” by Gary Wagner, University of Arkansas at Little Rock; Erick Elder, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Noon to 1:15: Lunch

1:15 to 2:25: Session 3 – Housing Markets

“The Quantity and Price of New Housing Units in Metropolitan Areas” by Paul Coomes, University of Louisville; William Hoyt, University of Kentucky

“Do Private Schools Reduce Income Segregation in the Housing Market?” by William Rogers, University of Missouri – St. Louis

2:25 to 2:50: Break

2:50 to 4:00: Session 4 – Education and Local Development

“High School Noncompletion in Southeast Missouri: Update and Extension” by Willie Redmond, Southeast Missouri State University; Bruce Domazlicky, Southeast Missouri State University

“The Economic Impact of Broadband Deployment in Western Kentucky” by David Shideler, Murray State University; Narine Badasyan, Murray State University