



Speaker - General Session I

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Dr. Troutman is Deputy Commissioner for Academic Affairs at the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB). As a part of the leadership team, Dr. Troutman provides leadership on operational and strategic matters pertaining to all aspects of academic affairs and innovation, as well as to advance the goals of Building a Talent Strong Texas and the Governor's Tri-Agency Workforce Initiative. Dr. Troutman has worked in Texas higher education for more than fifteen years. Most recently, he served as the Chief Data Officer and Associate Vice

Chancellor for Institutional Research and Analysis at the University of Texas System. He led a team of research and policy analysts to transform data into timely and meaningful information that supported the UT System initiatives and policy decisions across its 13 institutions.

Dr. Troutman has a national and state higher education presence by collaborating with federal and state agencies (e.g., U.S. Census Bureau, THECB, and Texas Workforce Commission) and non-profit foundations (e.g., Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Lumina Foundation, and Strada Education Network), as well as serving on advisory boards for the National Student Clearinghouse Research Board and ACE's Carnegie Classification Technical Review Panel. This year, he was selected to serve as the inaugural Equity Value Fellow for the Institute for Higher Education Policy. As a part of his work with the US Census Bureau, Dr. Troutman founded the Postsecondary Employment Outcomes Coalition, a community of higher education leaders from 22 states who examine US Census data to highlight the economic and non-economic value of postsecondary credentials.

Through these past and current collaborations and roles, Dr. Troutman champions the use of data, policy, and practice to close success and equity gaps that exist throughout the K-12 to Workforce pipeline. His worked has been featured in peer-reviewed journals and various media outlets (e.g., Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post, The Chronicle of Higher Education, and Inside Higher Ed).



Speaker - General Session II

Get R·E·A·L ^{with} Jodee Bock



Jodee Bock is an accidental entrepreneur who left Corporate America to start her own business - originally named Bock's Office Transformational Consulting - so she could help people **stay**: stay engaged, stay relevant, and stay involved.

She does this as a coach, consultant, speaker, facilitator, and the author or co-author of eight books. Jodee is also the host of a weekly podcast called "Circle Up & Get REAL," where she has conversations that matter with people who matter.

Jodee has an undergrad degree in English and Communications from Concordia College and a Master's Degree in Business Management from the University of Mary. In addition, she holds professional certifications in Life Purpose and Career Coaching, NLP, Extreme Leadership, and Job Relations Training.

When she's not writing or facilitating, Jodee enjoys her position as head scorekeeper for the North Dakota State men's and women's basketball teams.



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