

Executive Business Women Highlight the Orlando Women in Leadership Symposium



Orlando Women in Leadership Symposium Panelists from left to right: Beth Weagraff, Annette Dennig, Darla Morse, Emily Ingram, and Linda-Moore Jason

The 2nd annual Orlando Women in Leadership Symposium was held on Thursday, October 11th at the Wyndham Orlando Resort. Over 200 business professionals that were present at the event received valuable insight from a diverse panel of female executives who gathered to explore an array of topics relevant to this year's symposium theme, "Realizing Our Greatest Success."

The half-day event began with breakfast and a networking session. This session of meet-and-greet provided an opportunity for the attendees to create connections and contacts, establish a network of business leaders and gain a sense of community and support

amongst the various professions that were represented.

"The Orlando Women in Leadership Symposium provided an opportunity for the attendees to gather a wealth of knowledge and expertise from a panel of influential executive business women," said Dennis Kennedy, Founder and CEO of National Diversity Council. "Their experiences as leaders enabled the attendees to gather insight to reflect on their own personal and professional goals in effort to catapult them to the top in their own professional career paths."

Following the networking session, the symposium began. An array of successful and influential women executives in

the Orlando area comprised a panel to discuss topics related to success in the workforce today. The Topics included, "Giving and Receiving: Supporting One Another in Both Directions"; "Networking Our Way Up: Always Finding Ways to Connect"; "Beyond the Box: Letting Go of Preconceived Barriers and Fears"; "Balancing Life and Work: How do We do It?" and "Leadership Best Practices: What it Takes to Lead in Today's World." The Q&A session, which took place after the panel discussions, was provided to allow attendees the opportunity to interact with the panelists.

One of the attendees from this symposium shared, "The meeting was so enlightening and I took away great nuggets for life, thanks again."

The Florida Diversity Council would like to thank all of its sponsors, speakers, and attendees for helping make the Orlando Women in Leadership Symposium a success.