

Mayor Dee Margo will offer welcoming remarks to the National Assessment Governing Board.

Dee moved to El Paso in 1977 from Nashville, where he attended Vanderbilt University, to join his father-in-law at John D. Williams Company (JDW). In February of 1981, six days after Dee's 29th birthday, his father-in-law suffered a fatal heart attack. Dee purchased JDW from the estate, and expanded the company from 6 employees to 70, in the span of 30 years.

During these years, Dee served as Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army, participated in the founding of the Regional Economic Development Corporation (REDCO), became the Chairman of the Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce, and gave his time to several non-profits, including Operation Noel. Dee was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 2010, in 2013 he was appointed President of the EPISD Board of Managers, and most recently Dee was appointed by the Governor to serve on the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT) Oversight Committee.

El Paso has been Dee's home for 40 years, and he is committed to the roots he has established in this community. Dee and Adair have raised their sons in El Paso, and their granddaughters are fifth-generation El Pasoans.