

## Upcoming Event: Spring Academy Workshops

*A foundation in school board governance for new and experienced school board members*

With a focus on effective governance and the legal roles and responsibilities of school board members, the 2016 WASB Spring Academy Workshops will be held in six convenient locations throughout the state. The workshops will provide a foundation for new school board members to begin learning their role and serve as a helpful refresher for experienced board members.

The Spring Academy Workshops will be held in the evening, 6-9 pm. The agenda will be the same at all six locations and will include dinner

and two presentations led by WASB staff. The first presentation will be an overview of the Key Work of School Boards and the second will be on the legal roles and responsibilities of school boards.

For a detailed description and to register, visit [wasb.org](http://wasb.org). □

### SPRING ACADEMY WORKSHOPS

- May 10** – CESA 4, West Salem
- May 11** – CESA 2, Whitewater
- May 17** – CESA 9, Tomahawk
- May 18** – CESA 11, Turtle Lake
- May 24** – CESA 1, Pewaukee
- May 25** – CESA 6, Oshkosh



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## ■ Mark Your Calendar: Summer Leadership Institute

July 16, Hyatt Regency, Green Bay

School board members are invited to the Summer Leadership Institute, taking place July 16 at the Hyatt Regency in Green Bay. This event will provide school board members and administrators an opportunity to network with colleagues from around the state and gain the knowledge necessary to successfully lead your school district and improve board governance.

This all-day event will include sessions on school finance, building effective board-superintendent teams, legal and policy-making duties of school boards, teacher compensation plans, and more. The event will also include a legislative update from the WASB government relations team.

The WASB Summer Leadership Institute provides school leaders with the information and leadership strategies to improve the governance and operation of your school district. *For more information, visit [wasb.org](http://wasb.org). Watch for details to be released soon.*



## ■ Upcoming Webinars

The WASB hosts a series of webinars throughout the year on legal, policy, and other important school leadership topics. Here is a look at the upcoming webinars from the WASB:

### ■ Hiring Teachers May 11 | 1:30 – 2:30 pm

*Presenter: Bob Butler, Associate Executive Director and Staff Counsel*

This presentation will inform you about the general hiring process of teachers, including state requirements. It includes information about the purpose of position descriptions, the posting of vacancy notices, application forms, the interview process, and reference checks. You will also learn about state and federal laws as they relate to employment discrimination.

### ■ Annual and Special Meetings:

#### **Notice, Procedures and Powers** June 15 | noon – 1 pm

*Presenter: Barry Forbes, Associate Executive Director and Staff Counsel*

This presentation will review the notice requirements for annual and special meetings, cover meeting agendas and procedures and discuss the division of powers between the annual meeting and the school board in common school districts.

**Please note:** *These and all previous webinars are recorded and available on demand. WASB members can purchase any webinar and watch when their schedule allows. Upcoming live and pre-recorded webinars are listed on the WASB Webinars page at [wasb.org](http://wasb.org) (select "Meetings & Events" and then "Webinars").*



## Mother and Son Elected to School Board

Wanda Owens, WASB Region 9 Director and immediate past president of the WASB, will be joined on the Barneveld School Board by her son Tadd. Both are graduates of Barneveld High School and value public service. In addition to serving as 2015 WASB President, Wanda has been on the Barneveld School Board for more than 30 years.

"I have always felt that it is an honor and privilege to serve on the school board," Owens said. "I'm proud to be on the school board alongside my son. I am pleased that he has chosen to serve and look forward to working with him."