

School Safety Seminar and Summer Leadership Institute

New this year, the WASB will be hosting a special School Safety Seminar in conjunction with the Summer Leadership Institute, July 13-14 in Green Bay.

The first day will focus on important and timely school safety and student wellbeing topics. The event will include a special keynote address by Dr. Dipesh Navsaria, an associate professor of pediatrics at the UW School of Medicine and Public Health. Dr. Navsaria will discuss the importance of the first thousands days of life and the key role human relationships play during that time. Other topics include:

- School Mental Health
- School Security Audits
- Dealing with Digital Threats, Internet Safety, and Smart Phone Apps
- Crisis Communications
- School Safety Grants

The second day will be the tradi-

tional WASB Summer Leadership Institute with two tracks of programming for new and experienced members. Sessions include:

- Key Work of School Boards
- Financial Forecasting
- The Basics of Wisconsin School Board Laws
- Evaluating the Superintendent
- School Board Governance through Policymaking
- Basic Strategic Planning and Strategies for Plan Deployment and Monitoring
- Fundamentals of Wisconsin School Finance

- All In? Using Self-Assessment as a Process for Developing Effective School Board/ Superintendent Teams
- WASB Legislative Update

In addition, on Friday evening (July 13), the WASB will be hosting a dinner featuring a keynote by Jim Draeger of the Wisconsin Historical Society. Draeger, the State Historic Preservation Officer, will join us for an entertaining look at his national award-winning book “Bottoms Up: A Toast to Wisconsin’s Historic Bars and Breweries.” ■

For more information, visit wasb.org. Event details will be released soon.



Upcoming WASB Webinars

The WASB hosts a series of webinars throughout the year. Here is a look at the upcoming webinars from the WASB:

Annual and Special Meetings

June 13 | noon – 1 pm

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.

School District Referenda —

Legal & Policy Considerations August 8 | noon – 1 pm

Barry Forbes, Associate Executive Director and Staff Counsel

More and more school districts are going to referenda for funding and facilities. This interactive webinar will cover the legal and policy considerations that you should consider before going to referenda. The webinar will provide detailed analysis of the different types of referenda, the

WASB Governance Workshops

In August, the WASB is hosting a series of WASB Governance Workshops.

The workshops will take place at CESA offices at locations across the state.

The events begin with dinner at 6 pm and the workshop program 6:30-9 pm.

FUNDAMENTALS OF EFFECTIVE BOARDS

August 7 — CESA 11, Turtle Lake

August 15 — CESA 3, Fennimore

Al Brown / Rachel Schultz, WASB Consultants

School boards and administrators are most effective when there is a culture of active communication, collegial relationships and trust. How does this translate into board operations and interactions? In this workshop, school board members will learn from each other and from the research on how to turn the philosophy of “effective school board” into actual leadership actions. School boards that are effective contribute to strengthening and improving teaching and learning outcomes.

THE POWER OF THE PACT

August 8 — CESA 2, Whitewater

August 14 — CESA 9, Tomahawk

George Steffen / Louise Blankenheim, WASB Consultants

Effective school board members and superintendents

must work together as a team to make the difficult decisions and establish standards of leadership performance. Practicing teamwork, establishing team protocols, and developing an accountability process are key to supporting a strong partnership between the school board and superintendent. Designed for school board members and superintendents, this workshop will engage participants in developing their individual team “power pact” by learning about one another, setting vision, establishing common goals, and committing to adhering to by-laws and operating principles identified by the team. ■



Recognize Your Business Partners

The WASB is accepting nominations for the WASB Business Honor Roll. Recognize businesses or organizations that have supported your schools in the past year. Member school boards can nominate up to five local businesses, including newspapers or other media that have been helpful to your school district over the past year.

Nominated businesses will be posted on the WASB website, districts will be provided a press release and certificate to present to your partner businesses. To nominate a business, visit WASB.org. Select “Services & Resources” “Communication Services” and then “Business Honor Roll.” **Nominations close August 17, 2018.**

procedure and timing of referenda, the use of district funds and resources during a referendum, the roles of the board, individual board members and staff during a referendum, and how districts, staff, and boards may interact with third party groups, e.g. “vote yes,” “vote no,” etc.

■ **Pupil Expulsion** September 12 | 1:30 – 2:30 pm
Bob Butler, Associate Executive Director and Staff Counsel

This webinar presentation covers state and federal laws relating to the pupil expulsions. The presentation will provide a roadmap for considering the expulsion of pupils and to help avoid common pitfalls when doing so.

The presentation will focus on procedures for administrators and for boards that conduct their own expulsion hearings.

■ **Administrator Contracts** October 10 | noon – 1 pm
Ben Richter, Staff Counsel

This presentation covers all aspects of administrator contracts, including the drafting of contracts, contract term, application of section 118.24 Wis. Stat. to administrator nonrenewals and more. State and federal court decisions on administrator contracts, including the *Klaus v. Eau Claire School District* case will be covered. ■

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. In addition, links to past webinars are available in the Policy Resources Guide.