



## Agenda

### Thursday, February 20

- 8 - 8:30 a.m.                    **Registration and beverage break** .....*Foyer*  
**Co-sponsored by Halligan Mahoney & Williams, P.A.**
- 8:30 - 9 a.m.                    **Welcome and purpose**.....*Ballrooms DEF*  
Cheryl Burgess, *SCSBA President-elect, Lexington School District Three*
- 9 - 10 a.m.                    **Meaningful meetings: More than just going through the motions**  
Successful board meetings are no accident. Are your board meetings too long? Do you have time to discuss educational issues? How can boards ensure community input without losing control of the agenda? This workshop can give you ideas for improving the operation of your board meetings.  
*Timi C. Tullis, Associate Executive Director, Association of Alaska School Boards*
- 10 - 10:15 a.m.                **Beverage break** .....*Foyer*  
**Co-sponsored by Halligan Mahoney & Williams, P.A.**
- 10:15 - 11:15 a.m.            **How your “working style” fits into your board team!**  
Every individual has a certain working style. This session will help you understand why you gravitate to certain individuals and sometimes get frustrated with others. You will learn about tips that will help you bridge the gap with individuals that are different than you!  
*Timi C. Tullis, Associate Executive Director, Association of Alaska School Boards*
- 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.      **The role of the board chair in navigating common pitfalls**.....*Ballrooms DEF*  
This interactive session will focus on how board chairs can assist their Board with responding to common legal issues. Topics of discussion will include FOIA, Superintendent Hiring and Evaluations, the Board's role in Personnel Matters, and Handling the Media.  
*Andrea E. White, Esquire, White & Story, LLC*
- 12:15 - 1:15 p.m.            **Lunch (Included in registration)** .....*Café*  
**Co-sponsored by White & Story, LLC**
- 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.            **The good, the bad and the grey areas: Where are you on ethics?** *Ballrooms DEF*  
In this session, you will get an overview of the Ethics Reform Act with an emphasis on the role of the board chair in ensuring compliance.  
*Tara McCall, Esquire, Staff Attorney, SCSBA*

Dr. Tiffany N. Richardson, *General Counsel and Director of Policy and Legal Services, SCSBA*

2:30 - 2:45 p.m. **Beverage break** .....*Foyer*  
**Co-sponsored by Halligan Mahoney & Williams, P.A.**

2:45 - 4 p.m. **Civility and board relations: Lessons from the trenches**.....*Ballrooms DEF*  
As board chair, you are the leader of an important team. Professional decorum and civility help create a working environment conducive to helping your district reach its goals. During this session, veteran board members will share how they navigate board and community relations during challenging times.

Aaron Bishop, *Vice Chair, Richland One*

Robert Gantt, *Board Chair, District Five of Lexington/Richland Counties*

Amelia B. McKie, *SCSBA Board of Directors, Richland School District Two*

Lisa H. Wells, *SCSBA Board of Directors, Greenville County Schools*

**Moderator:** Tara McCall, *Esquire, Staff Attorney, SCSBA*

4 - 4:30 p.m. **Workshop closing and door prizes** .....*Ballrooms DEF*  
Cheryl Burgess, *SCSBA President-elect, Lexington School District Three*

4:30 - 7 p.m. **Convention registration and light refreshments** .....*Foyer*