

NEW BOARD ORIENTATION

LEADING THROUGH CHANGE

Virtual Workshop

Agenda

Thursday, June 3, 2021

- 8:30 - 9 a.m. **Sign-in/test your audio and video connection/get handouts ready**
- 9- 9:30 a.m. **Welcome and about SCSBA**
Scott T. Price, *SCSBA Executive Director*
Cheryl Burgess, *SCSBA President, Lexington School District Three*
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. **Understanding roles and responsibilities**
- Setting the vision
 - Establishing the structure and environment
 - Identifying accountability measures and monitoring progress
 - Being an advocate for schools and students
 - Fostering positive board/superintendent relationships
 - Adhering to a code of ethics
- ElizaBeth “Beth” Branham, *2019-20 NSBA President, SCSBA Past President, Lexington School District Two*
- 10:30 - 10:45 a.m. **Beverage break**
- 10:45 a.m. - 11:45 p.m. **Avoiding the \$10,000 fine: What you need to know about South Carolina Ethics**
In this session, you will get an overview of the Ethics Reform Act with an emphasis on the rules of conduct for new school board members.
Meghan Walker, *Executive Director, S.C. State Ethics Commission*
- 11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. **Lunch**
- 12:15 – 1:15 p.m. **The South Carolina Freedom of Information Act: Government in the sunshine or in a fishbowl?**
This session will review the basic requirements of South Carolina’s FOIA, focusing on school boards obligations regarding board meetings and the disclosure of public records.

Andrea White, Esquire, *White & Story, LLC*

1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Stand up break

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

School finance 101

A review of the revenue sources available to school districts with an emphasis on local and state funding. We will discuss property taxes, the Education Finance Act and other issues currently impacting the funding of education in South Carolina.

Lyde Graham, *Director of Operations, Clarendon School District 2*

2:30 p.m.

Workshop closing and door prizes

Cheryl Burgess, *SCSBA President, Lexington School District Three*