



NEW BOARD ORIENTATION

FEB. 20, 2025 · KINGSTON RESORTS · MYRTLE BEACH

Agenda

- 8 - 8:30 a.m. **Registration and beverage break**..... *Windsor Foyer*
- 8:30 - 9 a.m. **Welcome and About SCSBA** *Windsor BC*
Scott T. Price, SCSBA Executive Director
Charles Govan, Jr., SCSBA President, Darlington County School District
- 9 - 10 a.m. **Board Member Roles and Responsibilities: Navigating Your Lane While Operating in District Traffic**..... *Windsor BC*
A clear understanding of your role and responsibilities as a school board member is necessary for effective governance. This session will cover both statutory and policy created duties to provide the road rules for your “rush hour” experience. Buckle your seatbelt and begin the journey of serving your community in one of the most important ways – educating its students.
Stephanie Lawrence, Esquire, SCSBA General Counsel & Director of Policy and Legal Services
- 10 - 10:15 a.m. **Beverage break**..... *Windsor Foyer*
- 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. **School Board Ethics**..... *Windsor BC*
In this session, you will receive an overview of the Ethics Reform Act with an emphasis on the rules of conduct for new school board members.
Alex Sherard, Senior Associate Attorney, White & Story, LLC
- 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. **School Finance 101**..... *Windsor BC*
From the general fund to pupil activity and everything in between, board members will be provided general information on school district finance. Where does the funding come from and how do we get it?
Mellanie Jinnette, Retired School District Chief Financial Officer
- 12:15 - 1:30 p.m. **Lunch (Included in registration)**..... *Seaside Vista*



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1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

S.C. Freedom of Information Act: What You

Need to Know *Windsor BC*

In this session you will review the basic requirements of the South Carolina’s FOIA, focusing on school board obligations regarding board meetings and the disclosure of public records.

Meredith L. Seibert, *Attorney, Duff Freeman Seibert, LLC*

2:30 - 2:45 p.m.

Beverage break..... *Windsor Foyer*

2:45 - 3:45 p.m.

Robert’s Rules for Beginners *Windsor BC*

A basic understanding of the rules of parliamentary procedure for your meetings is a critical tool for every school board member. This beginner-friendly and interactive session will help new board members gain a basic understanding of Robert’s Rules of Order and how these rules can aid them in effectively participating in meetings.

Rasheeda Cleveland, *Esquire, SCSBA Staff Attorney*

3:45 - 4 p.m.

Workshop closing and door prizes *Windsor BC*

Charles Govan, Jr., *SCSBA President, Darlington County School District*