

**CSBA's 2020 Legal Symposium for Experienced Board Members Agenda**  
**Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim, CA**  
**December 2, 2020**

7:00 a.m.	<b>Registration/Check-In Open</b>
8:30 – 8:45 a.m.	<b>Welcoming Remarks – Anthony De Marco, CCSA President and Partner, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud &amp; Romo</b>
8:45 – 10:15 a.m. (1.5 hrs. MCLE)	<p><b>Negotiating in Lean Times: What School Boards Need to Know</b> – COVID-19 has created an economic landscape that will likely result in difficult decisions for school districts regarding funding, budget priorities, and employee compensation. Boards will also need to prioritize funding for social distancing measures and related educational program costs. All of these issues will likely result in difficult conversations at the bargaining table. This presentation will discuss the Board's role in working with its chief negotiator to prepare for these difficult negotiations, including preparing for unique issues such as concession bargaining and bargaining the effects of layoffs. The presentation will address the questions the Board should ask and the information it should request of administrators to determine the authority it will provide to its chief negotiator. We will also discuss how to manage communications with unions under these difficult circumstances. The presentation will include real-world case studies to assist experienced board members in understanding their key role in negotiations during lean economic times.</p> <p><b>Presenters: Laura Schulkind, Partner, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore; Kristin Lindgren, Associate, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore</b></p>
10:25 – 11:55 a.m. (1.5 hrs. MCLE)	<p><b>New Charter School Legislation: The Look of Reform</b> – In 2019, Governor Newsom signed laws into effect that require charter schools to comply with the Public Records Act, the Brown Act, and state conflict of interest laws. In 2020, Sacramento made sweeping changes to legislation regarding the charter school approval process by allowing school districts to consider the financial impacts in deciding to deny charter petitions. There are other groundbreaking changes in oversight and renewal, as well, and maybe more changes on the horizon. This session will discuss those changes and how they may impact school districts.</p> <p><b>Presenters: Meredith Karasch, Senior Counsel, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore; John Yeh, Partner, Burke, Williams &amp; Sorensen; Sukhi Ahluwalia, Partner, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud &amp; Romo; William Schuetz, Shareholder, Dannis Woliver Kelly</b></p>
Noon – 1:00 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b>
1:10 – 2:10 p.m. (1.0 hr. MCLE)	<p><b>Lessons Learned: Board Governance During COVID-19</b> – The onset of COVID-19 changed many things, including the way that governing boards operated and interacted with district staff and the public. While some of these changes may have been temporary, other impacts and innovations are here to stay. This session will address some of the ways in which the situation impacted board governance, how boards are continuing to adapt, and the long-term effect on governance of school districts.</p> <p><b>Presenters: Gregory Dannis, Shareholder, and William Tunick, Shareholder, Dannis Woliver Kelly; Michael Smith, Partner, Lozano Smith; Amy Brandt, Associate, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore</b></p>
2:15 – 3:15 p.m. (1.0 hr. MCLE)	<p><b>Title IX: The Brave New World</b> – This session is intended to review the new Title IX regulations as they apply to students and employees. The proposed regulations indicate a substantial shift from existing regulations including heightened procedural protections and requirements. Among topics to be discussed will be the focus on sexual misconduct in the school setting and formalizing the roles of administrators and need for a central Title IX coordinator who will be in a position of district authority. The presenters will also cover new standards for investigations including notice requirements, due process rights, identification of witnesses and evidence, record keeping, reports and transmission of findings.</p> <p><b>Presenters: Lenore Silverman and Jacqueline Litra, Partners, Fagen Friedman &amp; Fulfrost; Eve Peek Fichtner, Partner, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud &amp; Romo</b></p>

(5.0 hrs. MCLE)