



*Virtual*

# Fall Boardsmanship Academy

*September 19-20*



# WELCOME!

We are thrilled to have you join us for the 2020 Fall Boardsmanship Academy! There will be plenty of opportunities for you to learn in sessions covering important content with a variety of ways to connect with fellow board members from across the state. Even though we won't be able to see your smiling faces we hope you find the meeting interesting and informative. Plus, the coffee will be much better at this meeting!

Please review the "tech help" section of the meeting program and other documents prior to the meeting start. We believe this will enrich your meeting experience. Thank you for your understanding and flexibility as we navigate this virtual meeting territory.

We look forward to "seeing" you online!

## Saturday, September 19

8:00 am	Connectivity Check-In
8:45 am	Welcome & Opening
9:15 am	DEED
10:10 am	The COVID QUAGMIRE
11:45 am	Lunch & Learn
1:00 pm	Team Optimizing Project
2:00 pm	Teacher Recruitment & Retention
2:45 pm	Closing

## Sunday, September 20

8:30 am	Connectivity Check-In
9:00 am	Welcome!
9:15 am	Policy
10:10 am	Curriculum
11:10 am	Stronger Together
12:15 pm	Lunch & Learn
1:15 pm	Essentials for School Board Members
2:00 pm	Closing

# SATURDAY MEETING AGENDA

## 8 - 8:45 AM

### CONNECTIVITY CHECK-IN

We encourage you to sign in before the first session to ensure your internet connection is working and you are familiar with the virtual event platform. and check your internet connection. Get comfortable, ready with your notepad and a pen handy because there will be plenty of noteworthy material for you to reflect on.

## 8:45 - 9:15 AM

### WELCOME & OPENING

Mike Swain, AASB Board President & Norm Wooten, AASB Executive Director

## 9:15 - 10 AM

### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT (DEED)

Karen Melin, Deputy Commissioner

Deputy Commissioner Karen Melin gives us the updates from DEED and shares pertinent information for you to know now.

## 10:10 - 11:30 AM

### THE COVID QUAGMIRE: LEGAL GIVE AND TAKE...AND TAKE AND GIVE

John Sedor, Sedor Wendlandt Evans & Filippi

John Sedor, along with their newest attorney from Sedor, Wendlandt Evans & Filippi, will share information on operational legal issues associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. School districts are in uncharted territory exploring the risks and options of reopening schools and determining just "how open" they ought to be. While there are a few statutory waypoints to help guide us, much of what we must decide will be a function of risk tolerance, educational policy, and community goals.

## 11:45 - 12:45 AM

### LUNCH & LEARN

Grab your lunch and join your peers to share your successes and challenges.

## 1 - 1:45 PM

### TEAM OPTIMIZING PROJECT (TOP): What does the Data Say About Employee Retention?

Barbara Adams & Jerry Covey

Barbara Adams, Adams Analytic Solutions, and Jerry Covey, JSC Consulting, will share how Alaska districts are using TOP to learn about employee insights and experiences in voluntary, safe, and confidential ways. They will present information to support collaboration between district administrators and employees that creates certainty and strengthens the workforce.

## 2 - 2:45 PM

### TEACHER RECRUITMENT & RETENTION DURING COVID-19

Toni McFadden, Alaska Teacher Placement, UAF

Toni McFadden will share what recruiting teachers in Alaska has looked like since COVID-19. She will share changes that have been made to the recruiting process, challenges faced, and answer your questions.

## 2:45 - 3 PM

### CLOSING SESSION

Thank you for attending, we'll see you tomorrow!

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## 9:15 - 10 AM

### GOVERNANCE WITHOUT POLICY = BEING BLIND

Lon Garrison, AASB Director of Membership Services

Lon Garrison will lead this session to explore the need for policy as a basis for governance. He will share some best practices for keeping policies up to date and readily accessible to the public.

## 10:10 - 11 AM

### CURRICULUM: What do I need to know and why does it matter?

Ted Wilson, Juneau School District & Lon Garrison, AASB

Ted Wilson and Lon Garrison team up to provide you with some answers to what curriculum is all about, such as: Do you really understand what curriculum is? As a board member, what do I need to know? Why is it an important responsibility of the board?

## 11:10 - 12 PM

### STRONGER TOGETHER: Building bridges between families and schools to help students succeed

Claudia Plesa, AASB Community Engagement Manager

Claudia Plesa will introduce *Stronger Together*, an AASB developed resource, which helps school districts engage families systematically and equitably. This session will focus on the Relationships chapter of *Stronger Together*, and help you think about strategies that can build up student resilience through deep, meaningful, and trusting relationships with their families. Together we will strategize how to build, maintain, and repair relationships with families in our districts, and how to lean on these relationships to support student academic progress, as well as student well-being and self-growth.

## 12:15 - 1:15 PM

### LUNCH & LEARN

Grab your lunch and join your peers to share your successes and challenges on topics identified by you.

## 1:15 - 2 PM

### ESSENTIAL ITEMS EVERY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER SHOULD HAVE AT THEIR FINGERTIPS

Timi Tullis, AASB Associate Executive Director

Timi Tullis will share resources for all board members. Though AASB staff is always more than happy to help you with any questions that may arise, having access to certain documents will not only help you as a board member, but also help you in your decision making, participation in your community and work that you do each and every day to make your schools and district the best they can be. This session will lay out what these items are and challenge boards to find all of them!

## 2 - 2:15 PM

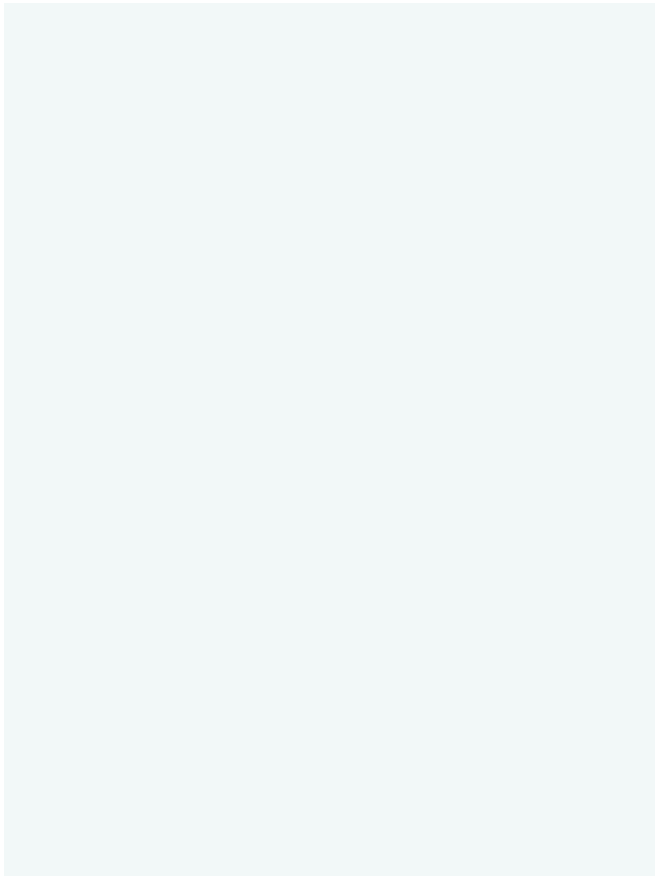
### CLOSING SESSION

Where do we go from here?

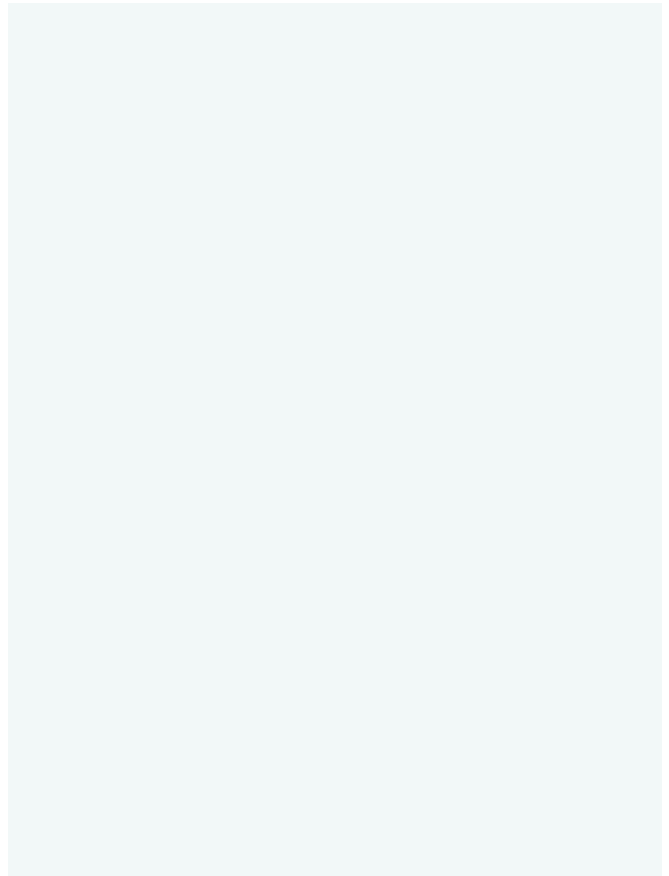


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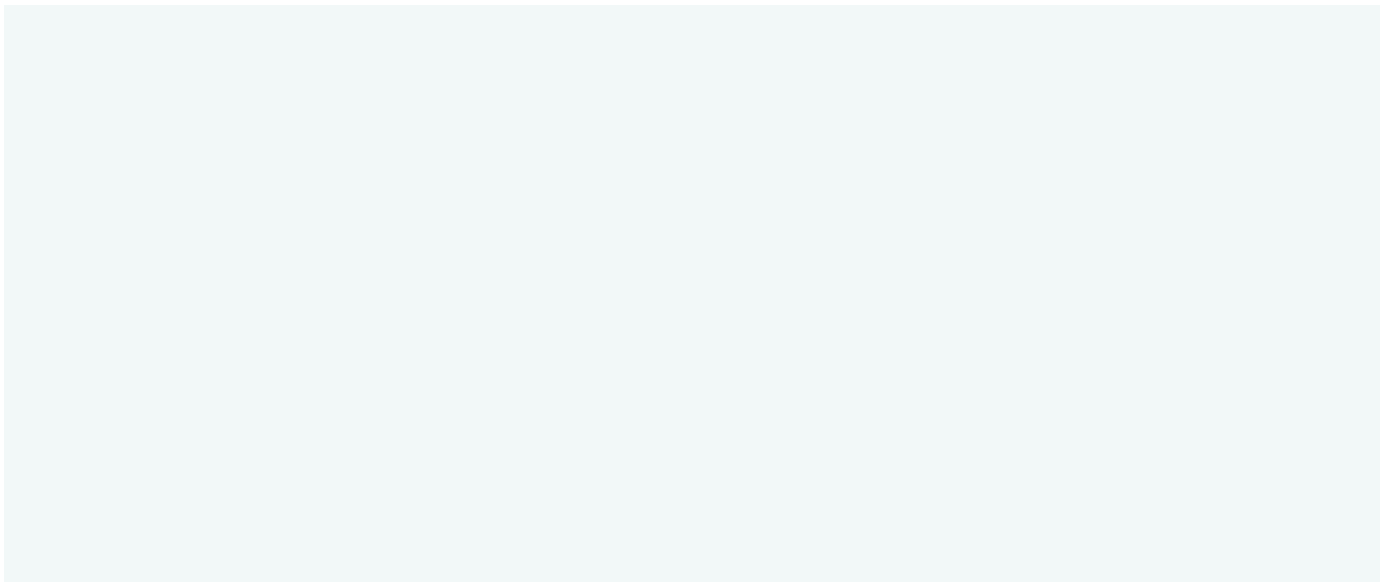
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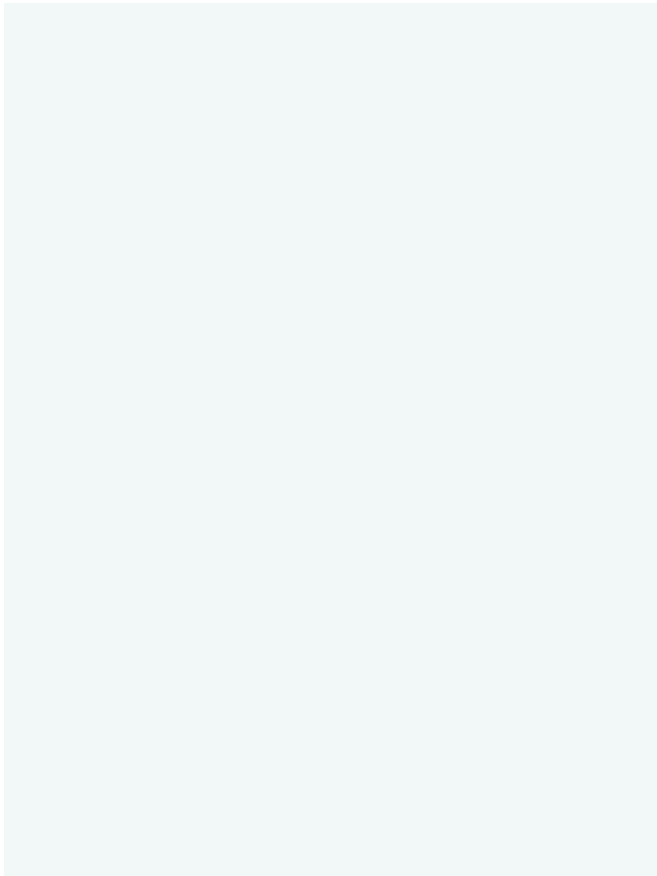
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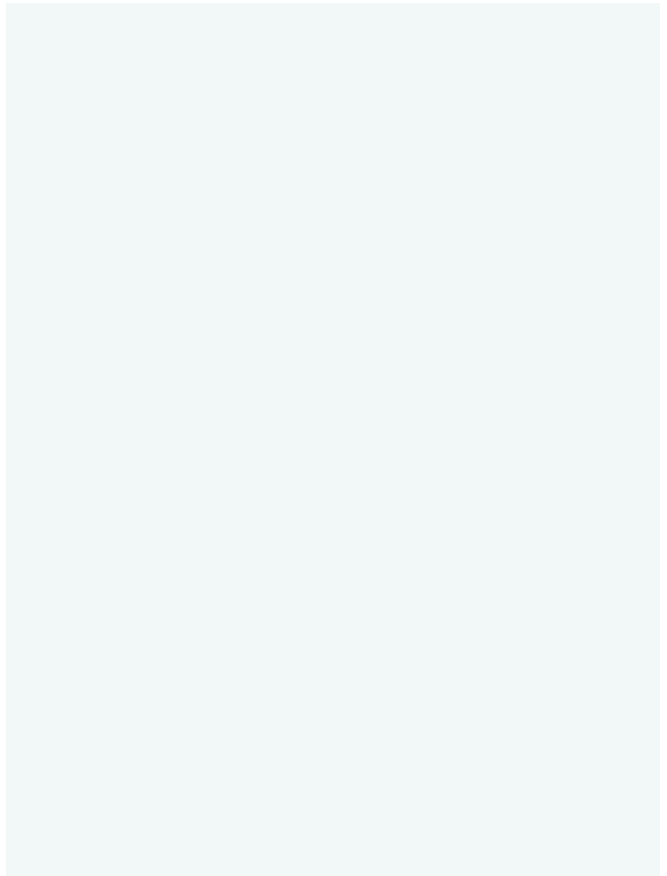


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