



To: Sponsored Schools and Governing Authority Members
From: ESCLEW Community Schools Center
Date: March 8, 2019
RE: Governing Authority Update

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Community School Improvement Plans

The Office of Community Schools had requested that community schools designated as a 'priority school,' 'needs intervention,' 'special education rating,' or a 'focus school' applying for the School Improvement 1003 grant, to complete and submit a School Improvement Plan by December 21, 2018. As a requirement, School Improvement Plans must be approved by the governing authority for each school. Over the next few weeks, the Office of Community Schools will be providing feedback and sharing the rating of the Plan with the sponsor. School Improvement Plans will receive a rating as "Sufficient," "Sufficient with recommendations," or "Insufficient, requires revision." For Plans identified as requiring revisions, schools will have approximately one month to complete revisions and resubmit to the Office of Community Schools.

The Office of Community Schools is requesting that member(s) of the governing authority be part of the School Improvement Plan team, and are aware of the Plan as written. The revised Plans will need to be reviewed and approved throughout the revision process until the Plan has been identified as "Sufficient." Once the Plan has earned a rating of "Sufficient" with the Office of Community Schools, the school will begin to implement the activities/strategies within the Plan over the next three years. The ESCLEW Regional Technical Assistance Educator will monitor the progress made during each monthly site visit.

It is important to note: all community schools will be required to have a School Improvement Plan in place to receive funding for the 2019-2020 school year. Therefore, schools who are not involved in the process currently will begin the process this spring. For more information regarding the School Improvement Plans please contact ESCLEW Academic Services Team Leader Kristi Hayward at khayward@eslakeeriewest.org.

ESCLEW Board Member Training – Spring 2019

The ESCLEW Community Schools Center is hosting a Spring Board Member Training on Saturday, April 6, 2019 from 9:00am – 12:00pm. The training will take place at the Community Schools Center Office located at 4955 Seaman Rd. Oregon, OH 43616. This training is free of charge for all ESCLEW sponsored community schools and intended for governing authority members, management company board liaisons, and school leaders.

Participants will strengthen their understanding of the critical roles and responsibilities of governing authority members, as well as receive valuable legal updates and discussions regarding current "hot topics."

Completion of this training will meet the requirements for the annual required Open Meeting and Public Records Training.

Registration for the ESCLEW Board Member Training can be completed via the following link:
<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07eg5vzxzhc666385b&oseq=&c=&clh=>

If you should have any questions regarding the details above please reach out to your Regional Technical Assistance Educator, Academic Services Team Leader, or the Interim Director of the Community Schools Center.



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Board Member Training - Spring 2019

INTENDED OUTCOMES

- Participants will strengthen their understanding of the critical roles and responsibilities of governing authority members.
- Participants will strengthen their understanding of governing authority ethics.
- Participants will strengthen their understanding of the open meeting and public records requirements.
- Participants will be provided valuable legal updates and have discussions regarding today's "hot topics".

PRESENTER

Adam Schira, Member, Dickinson Wright, PLLC - provides legal services to charter schools, authorizers and sponsors, management companies, school districts, career-technical schools, and other educational institutions and related entities in a wide range of legal areas and matters. Mr. Schira has worked with clients in both Ohio and Michigan developing compliant policies to ensure compliance with ever-changing education laws and regulations. He regularly appears on behalf of his clients before various oversight entities, including state agencies and sponsoring or authorizing bodies. He has given over fifty presentations on education law matters.



Prior to attending law school, Mr. Schira worked as a high school teacher in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania as part of his commitment to serve in the Teach for America Corps, which has helped to provide significant perspective when working with his educational clients.

DATE & DETAILS

Saturday, April 6, 2019

Shuer Building - Community Schools Center
4955 Seaman Rd. Oregon, OH 43616

9:00am - 12:00pm

COST

No Cost - ESCLEW Sponsored Community Schools

\$50.00 - Community Schools Not Sponsored by ESCLEW

INTENDED AUDIENCE

Governing Authority Members, Management Company Board Liaisons, and Building Leaders

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