



**SCHOOLS LEGAL SERVICE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA**

Date/Time: January 14, 2021, Noon

Place: This meeting will be held via Zoom Teleconference

Notice of Teleconferencing Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 and Government Code section 54953: In observance of public health directives relating to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board will conduct this meeting via teleconference or videoconference, with one or more board members participating from remote locations via telephone or other electronic means. This meeting will be accessible to members of the public and public comment will be allowed at appropriate times by accessing the following link and providing the meeting ID number indicated: <https://kcsos.zoom.us/j/97459464755> Meeting ID: 974 5946 475

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1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes of Meetings on November 12 and December 16, 2020
3. JPA Notifications
4. Labor & Employment Practice Group
  - ▶ March 15 Update
  - ▶ COVID-related Employment Issues
  - ▶ Workshops Completed:
    - November 19: Sexual Harassment Prevention (35 Attendees, 9 Districts)
    - December 10: Sexual Harassment Prevention (Board) (41 Attendees, 18 Districts)
    - January 12: March 15 Issues
  - ▶ Upcoming Workshops:
    - COVID Leaves: February 9
5. Business Practice Group (*Hornback*)
  - ▶ Projects Out to Bid
  - ▶ Gift Limitation Reminder (\$520 through December 31, 2022)
  - ▶ Competitive Bidding Threshold Increase (Handout)
  - ▶ Workshops Completed:
    - December 1: Student Discipline (37 Attendees, 13 Districts)

- ▶ Upcoming Workshops:
  - February 24: Competitive Bidding and Construction
  
- 6. Special Education Practice Group (*Allen*)
  - ▶ OAH Decisions/Trends, etc.
  - ▶ Upcoming Workshops:
    - January 19: SELPA Training Calendar – IEPs
  
- 7. Public Comment
  
- 8. Reports and/or Comments by General Counsel
  - ▶ Brown Act Issues
  - ▶ January 12: Ethics in Educational Governance
  - ▶ Status of Strategic Planning/Continuous Improvement Process
  - ▶ Release Time/Reimbursement for Employee Service on Boards
  - ▶ SLS Staff Anniversaries
  - ▶ Update on CSBA/CCSA
  
- 9. Reports and/or Comments by Board Members
  
- 10. Adjournment

**NEXT MEETING: March 11, 2021**

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Please wait to be recognized by the meeting chair. Comments should be addressed to the Board as a whole and not to individual board members or staff. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, each person is limited to 3 minutes per item. If multiple speakers wish to speak on a specific item, the total time allotted will be 20 minutes. Speakers should be aware that they remain legally liable for statements made at a board meeting. Public testimony is not immune or protected from claims for damages for libel or slander.

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