



IASB Update for AEA Superintendent Meetings October 2023

Timely Tools & Resources

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS WEBINAR RECORDINGS & TOOLKITS

November 7 is school board election day, and it is fast approaching. To ensure candidates for the school board are in-the-know, IASB has created and compiled an array of resources all in one place: our [School Board Elections/Get on Board webpage](#). This carefully curated compendium contains key dates, current board member testimonials and recordings of invaluable candidate webinars hosted by IASB. We encourage you to share these resources with candidates to help prepare prospective board members for the vital work of the school board.

If you have questions, please contact Tammy Votava at tvotava@ia-sb.org.

NEW BOARD MEMBER ONBOARDING TOOL

In November and December, school boards will begin onboarding new members. IASB is here to help and has created a new tool to support boards. This downloadable [new board member onboarding tool/roadmap](#) serves as a recommended framework, including timeframes and examples of district specific documents to share. By providing new board members with this information and support, we can help them to be effective board members, make a positive impact on the school district and be a part of a successful part of the board-superintendent team.

If you have questions, please contact Emily Rhodes at erhodes@ia-sb.org.

UPDATE YOUR DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL FOCUS DATA WITH FY 2023 CAR INFORMATION

Districts submitted and certified FY 2023 Certified Annual Report (CAR) data to the Department of Education in September. However, the Department of Education (DE) generally doesn't release finalized CAR data until the following March. Fortunately, IASB can provide updates to some of your district's [Financial Focus](#) information for FY 2023.

If you are interested in this free member service have questions, please contact Shawn Snyder at ssnyder@ia-sb.org.

Ensure Your District's Voice is Heard at IASB's Delegate Assembly & Annual Meeting

REGISTER DELEGATES BY NOVEMBER 10. The [Delegate Assembly & Annual Meeting](#) is an important annual event where member delegates gather to hold the annual meeting, set and approve the legislative platform, and convene nominating caucuses for open IASB District Director seats. Visit [IASB's website](#) to learn more and register now.

If you have questions, please contact Taylor McGill at tmcgill@ia-sb.org.

Learn the Latest—Convention General Sessions & Pre-Convention Workshops

NEW! CONVENTION CONFIDENTIAL—ADVICE & EXPERIENCES FROM CONVENTION ATTENDEES

Hear from actual attendees on the benefits of attending the IASB Annual Convention, along with tips, advice and personal experiences from past events. In the [first video of the series](#), Woodward-Granger Schools Superintendent Mark Lane discusses how networking opportunities with peers at IASB's Annual Convention impact the board's/superintendent's role.

Be sure to check out our [Convention Confidential video playlist](#) on YouTube.

THREE OUTSTANDING KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

The [78th IASB Annual Convention](#) will feature three outstanding keynote speakers: [Ravi Hutheesing](#), [Chuck Underwood](#) and [Bill de la Cruz](#)!

Ravi will kick off Convention with a dive into how our education philosophy needs to teach students how to pivot, an essential skill to becoming a lifelong learner that can successfully navigate an ever-changing world. Read Ravi's [full biography](#) and learn more about the [Opening General Session](#).

Chuck will entertain and engage you over lunch with strategies, anecdotes and key takeaways to understand and interact with people from any of the six living generations. Read Chuck's [full biography](#) and learn more about the [Second General Session & Luncheon](#).

Bill will close out the day as he challenges, engages, and informs us on the fundamental aspects and concepts of conflict, and how as leaders we can effectively solve conflict when we practice leading with an adaptive mindset at the board table. Read Bill's [full biography](#) and learn more about the [Closing General Session](#).

EIGHT FANTASTIC, INFORMATIVE PRE-CONVENTION WORKSHOPS

Start Convention off on the right foot with our fantastic lineup of [Pre-Convention Workshops](#)! Whether you're a brand new board member, or a seasoned pro, we have a workshop for you.

New board members can take advantage of the [Ready, Set, Govern! workshop](#), which will cover foundational elements of good governance, such as understanding the roles of the board and superintendent and tips for fostering good communication to support an effective board superintendent partnership. We'll also review policy and explore strategies for responding to questions or concerns from

our community and staff. This content is also being offered [regionally in December and January at 16 district sites across Iowa](#).

Seasoned board members can level up their knowledge with our popular, informative [School Finance 101, 201 and 301 workshops](#). School Finance 101 provides an introduction and overview of basic school finance concepts and terminology. School Finance 201 covers authorized budgets, unspent balance and real-world data trends. School Finance 301 allows experienced board members to take an in-depth analysis of important concepts like cash/fund balance, spending authority, use of the School Budget Review Committee and more.

Board members (experienced and new!) can learn to cultivate board-superintendent team trust from keynote speaker [Bill de la Cruz](#), and hone your leadership skills through innovative strategies, techniques and approaches with [Ray Lauk](#). Be sure to bookmark [IASB's Convention homepage](#) so you have the latest Convention news and updates at your fingertips.

Mark Your Calendar—Day on the Hill Scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2024

SAVE THE DATE. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend Day on the Hill on Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2024. This annual event gives attendees an opportunity to meet with their local legislators to discuss legislative issues impacting public education, network with education leaders from across the state, and learn new advocacy strategies.

If you have questions, please contact Taylor McGill at tmcgill@ia-sb.org.

Upcoming Events

October 19: [The Building Blocks of Effective Relationships with Your Legislators \(Webinar\)](#)

November 15: [Delegate Assembly](#) & [Pre-Convention Workshops](#)

November 16: [Annual Convention & Trade Show](#)

November 17: [Board Presidents' Workshop](#)

December 13–14: [December ISFLC Conference](#)

December & January: [Ready, Set, Govern! Regional New Board Member Onboarding Workshops](#)

January 30: Day on the Hill Pre-Training: Deeper Dive into the Issues with AEA, IASB & SAI Lobbyists (Webinar)

February 7: Day on the Hill Pre-Training: State of the Budget & the Impact on AEAs (Webinar)

February 12: Day on the Hill Pre-Training: Advocacy & Issue Discussion

February 13: Day on the Hill

February 21–22: [February ISFLC Conference](#)

For a complete listing, visit www.ia-sb.org/learninghub.