

# 2018 WASB Major Event Calendar

**Here is a look at major conferences that make up the 2018 WASB Event Calendar.** Event descriptions include WASB Member Recognition points. For more information on the WASB Member Recognition Program, visit [wasb.org](http://wasb.org) and select “Services & Resources,” “Communication Services” and then “Member Recognition Program.”

**Watch for more information** about these events as well as the legal, governance and legislative workshops and webinars that will be scheduled in 2018. Dates and locations may be subject to change. Visit [wasb.org](http://wasb.org) for the most up-to-date information.

## JANUARY

**17-19**

97th State Education Convention  
*Wisconsin Center, Milwaukee*  
 (30 points)

The State Education Convention features dozens of sessions led by school leaders and stakeholders from around the state. Each day is headlined by respected keynote speakers and features a selection of special events. The Exhibit Hall brings in hundreds of respected vendors focused on serving public education.



## FEBRUARY

**22**

Legal and Human Resources Conference | *Kalahari Resort & Convention Center, Wisconsin Dells*  
 (30 points)

This workshop will cover a broad range of legal and human resources topics related to school leadership. This event will also include a pre-conference workshop.

## APRIL

**3**

Spring Elections for School Board Members

**7-9**

NSBA Annual Conference  
*San Antonio, TX*  
 (30 points)

**TBD**

New Board Member Gatherings  
*Various Locations*  
 (5 points)

Newly elected school board members are invited to these meetings where WASB staff will introduce important legal, policy, and board governance topics.

## MAY

**TBD**

Spring Academy Workshops  
*Locations TBD*  
 (10 points)

The WASB will offer Spring Academy Workshops in various regions around the state. The workshops will provide attendees with a foundation in board governance and policy-based decision making.

## JULY

**14**

Summer Leadership Institute  
*Hyatt Regency, Green Bay*  
 (10 points)

Designed for school board members interested in honing their leadership skills.

## SEPTEMBER

**Mid-September/October**

Fall Regional Meetings  
*Various Locations*  
 (5 points)

Connect with school leaders from around your WASB region, hear a special presentation from the WASB staff, and vote for your WASB Regional Director (where applicable).

**28-29**

Policy and Resolutions Committee Meeting, *Sheraton Hotel, Madison*  
 (10 points for committee members)

The Policy and Resolutions Committee evaluates the resolutions submitted by WASB member boards and determines which resolutions will advance to the 2018 WASB Delegate Assembly.

## NOVEMBER

**TBD**

Policy and Resolutions Committee Meeting  
 (10 points)

The second Policy and Resolutions Committee meeting before the 2019 WASB Delegate Assembly.



## UPCOMING EVENT:

### Legal and Human Resources Conference & Workshop

The 2018 conference is designed to give school board members and administrators the latest legal information to help them in governing their districts as effectively as possible. The conference will be held on Thursday, Feb. 22. Interested attendees have the option of attending a pre-conference workshop on policy development on Feb. 21.

#### Session topics include:

- The First Amendment and Free Speech - What School Boards Need to Know
- A Holistic Approach to Employee Well-Being
- Investigating Employee Misconduct
- A Comprehensive, Organization Development Approach to Safety, Well-Being, and Engagement
- Harassment and Discrimination
- Managing Risk for Co-Curricular Activities in Public Schools
- Non-Renewal of Teacher Contracts
- Using Benefit Strategies to Provide Employees Greater Financial Security

These sessions will be led by WASB staff and industry experts.

For more information or to register, visit [wasb.org](http://wasb.org).

## Upcoming WASB Webinars

The WASB hosts a series of webinars throughout the year on legal, policy, and other important school leadership topics. Here is a look at the upcoming webinars from the WASB.

### Individual Contracts and the Nonrenewal Process

March 7, 12-1 pm

The elimination of collective bargaining by Act 10 elevates the importance of individual teacher contracts, which may become similar in content to administrator contracts. This presentation will focus on the process of drafting new contractual provisions to transition from traditional contracts to contracts that meet districts' needs in the post-collective bargaining world. This presentation also will review the basics of nonrenewal of teacher contracts under section 118.22 of the Wisconsin Statutes and include guidance on the application of constitutional protections and discrimination laws as well as alternatives to nonrenewal will be discussed.

Presenter: Bob Butler, Associate Executive Director and Staff Counsel

### Hiring Teachers

May 9, 1:30-2:30 pm

This presentation will inform you about the general hiring process of teachers, including state requirements. It includes information about the purpose of position descriptions, the posting of vacancy notices, application forms, the interview process, and reference checks. You will also learn about state and federal laws as they relate to employment discrimination.

Presenter: Bob Butler, Associate Executive Director and Staff Counsel

**Please note:** These and all previous webinars are recorded and available on demand. WASB members can purchase any webinar and watch when their schedule allows. Upcoming live and pre-recorded webinars are listed on the WASB Webinars page at [wasb.org](http://wasb.org).

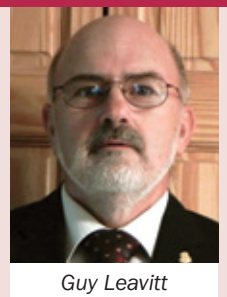
## Leavitt Named New Director of Organizational Consulting Services

Guy Leavitt has been selected as the director of the WASB's Organization Consulting Services. Leavitt will lead a team of eight consultants specializing in school board governance, superintendent searches, and organizational services.

Leavitt has dedicated more than 36 years to school districts in Wis-

consin serving as a classroom teacher, 7-12 principal, superintendent and CESA administrator. He earned his master's degree and 6th-year certification at Winona State University. He is trained in the DPI model of teacher and principal observation. In addition, Leavitt has served as an adjunct professor at Viterbo University.

Leavitt takes over for Louis Birchbauer, who served as director of Organizational Consulting Services. The WASB would like to thank Louis for his service and wish him the best in his retirement.



Guy Leavitt