



NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION FOR PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS

**COVID-19 Crisis: The Charter School Board's Role
Webinar Agenda
Wednesday, March 18, 2020
7:00 pm**

- Introductions (Rhonda)
 - Rhonda Dillingham
 - Lisa Gordon-Stella
 - Tom Miller
 - Katy Ridnouer
- The Board's Responsibilities
 - Supporting the School Leader. (Rhonda)
 - Ensuring that the Mission is Upheld (even in times of crisis). (Tom)
 - Forecasting for the future. (Katy)
 - Open Meetings Law: (Lisa)
 - Common Questions:
 - What does North Carolina's open meeting law allow or require related to boards?
 - Are we allowed to meet remotely through teleconferencing?
 - How do we notice our meetings?
 - What are the rules related to emergency meetings?
 - Do closed meeting laws still apply? If so, how do we conduct closed meetings?
- The Relationship Between the Board and the School Leader (Tom)
 - Common Questions:

- What is the best way to support the school's leader during this crisis?
- What behaviors/actions should be avoided?
- Which decisions are the board's? The school leader's?
- How will the board be kept informed?
- What is the board's role in communications?
- In the event of illness (board member or school leader), what is our contingency plan?
- How will this crisis affect the school's budget?
- What new opportunities have arisen?
- What new interpretations of your mission have been inspired by this challenging time?
- Additional Resources (Rhonda)
 - Guidance from UNC School of Government
 - [Meetings and Public Hearings Under the Coronavirus State of Emergency](#)
 - Guidance from the National Alliance for Public Charter Schools
 - <https://www.publiccharters.org/covid-19-resources-charter-schools>
 - Ensuring Educational Equity
 - <https://s3-us-east-2.amazonaws.com/edtrustmain/wp-content/uploads/sites/5/2020/03/10171236/Educational-Equity-and-Coronavirus.pdf>
 - Coronavirus Impact on State Assessments and Accountability Systems
 - <https://oese.ed.gov/files/2020/03/COVID-19-OESE-FINAL-3.12.20.pdf>
 - Upcoming Webinars
 - Leaders Building Leaders COVID-19 Update on Thursday, March 19 at 1:00 pm:
 - <https://zoom.us/j/4850136618>
 - <https://charterschoolcapital.org/event/webinar-covid-19-preparing-for-attendance-and-staffing-issues/>
 - In this session, we'll explore options for charter school leaders to make decisions and have the resources available to do the right thing for your students, your staff and your larger community.

- <https://charterschoolcapital.org/event/webinar-covid-19-six-essential-guidelines-for-contingency-communications-planning/>
 - In this session, we'll explore what a contingency plan should look like from a short-term or long-term closure perspective; and how to effectively communicate your plans to the community.