



**Crowley's Ridge Educational Service Cooperative  
School Board Training  
October 3, 2017  
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.**

**Agenda**

Legal Training for School Boards-----Scott Smith, Director, APSRC  
Mark White, Dir. of Legal Services, APSRC  
Jennifer Wells, Staff Attorney, APSRC

- Board Governance & Responsibilities
- 2017 Legislative Update
  - Training Requirements for School Boards
  - School Election Changes
  - Teaching & Learning
  - Personnel and Licensure Changes
  - Medical Marijuana
  - Task Forces
- Religion in Schools / “In God We Trust” Posters
- Teacher Fair Dismissal / Public Employee Fair Hearing Acts
- Social Media: Navigating Digital Spaces
  - Best Practices
  - Responding to Offensive Posts by Staff or Students

Finance Management----- Ken Rich, Director of Finance Services, APSRC

- Audit Reports
  - How to Read and Interpret Audit Reports
  - Common Audit Findings
- Ethics Guidelines & Examples
- School Finance – 2017 Legislative Session
- NSL Matching Grant Program
- Arkansas Teacher Retirement System – 2017 Legislative Session
- New Bidding Threshold for Commodities
- Construction Bidding Requirements