

Treasurers Hot Topics Seminar

Course Description Quick Guide

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<p>Looking Forward to the 2018/2019 State Budget Mike Sobul, Consultant, Public Finance Resources, Inc.</p>	<p>The upcoming state budget will have a major impact on fiscal conditions for schools for the next couple years. Mr. Sobul will cover issues that the state will face both in its overall fiscal conditions and the issues and challenges that it will face in addressing the school funding formula.</p> <p>This session will increase the attendee's working knowledge of both the state funding formula and the overall state budget conditions - two major factors for all Ohio schools. This information can then be transferred to making reasonable cash flow projections for revenue in the five-year forecast. Reliable cash flow projections are necessary for effective cash management by the school district, as treasurer's need to ensure that they have enough cash on-hand to meet expenditure or debt obligations throughout the fiscal year, as well as to identify available funds for investment purposes.</p>
<p>Investment Landscape for 2017 - Will 2017 Bring Higher Rates, or Will It be More of the Same? Ryan K. Nelson, CFA, Co-Founder/ Portfolio Manager, RedTree Investment Group</p>	<p>An update on the current economic environment and discussion on the market expectation for interest rates in 2017.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discussion on key economic indicators and how they will influence the Federal Reserve's decision on the direction of interest rates. 2. Understanding of how to prepare the District's investments for 2017 3. Discussion on how to best utilize allowable investment options to maximize interest earnings while mitigating investment risks <p>Attendees will obtain information that will increase their knowledge and awareness of economic indicators as well as learning how decisions made by the Federal Reserve influences interest rates. Attendees will gain a better understanding of how to prepare District's investments if there is an increase in interest rates and what investment options are available to maximize earnings in today's markets.</p>
<p>Capital Funding Options Matt Stout, Partner, Public Finance, Bricker Graydon LLP, Jackie Lewis, Associate, Bricker & Eckler LLP</p>	<p>The course will discuss the options available to school districts for funding capital projects.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Discuss limitations on issuing debt in Ohio b. Discuss the debt and non-debt options available to Ohio school districts for funding capital projects. c. Discuss the tax and securities law requirements associated with issuing debt (and non-debt) in Ohio. <p>Attendees will learn about all aspects of the capital funding options available to school districts. The presentation covers debt limitations, the debt issuance process, and the post issuance compliance issues that school districts face after projects are funded.</p>
<p>Legal Update for Public Funds Managers Rick Manoloff, Partner, Squire Patton Boggs LLP</p>	<p>This presentation will focus on hot topics of a legal nature that are of concern and interest to Ohio school district CFOs, including any relevant changes in the Ohio Revised Code and/or State policies, opinions rendered by Ohio courts and/or the Ohio Attorney General, and initiatives of the federal government. It is important for school district CFOs to remain current on a wide variety of matters that routinely cross their desks, as well as those matters that are episodic or in some cases unexpected – from financing permanent improvements, to raising new revenue at the ballot box, to managing the disposition of public assets, to complying with federal tax and disclosure covenants, to leasing property, etc. This presentation will focus on the legal aspects of such matters, given from the perspective of not just a school finance lawyer but an active school board member.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understand recent changes in the law that affect the activities of school district CFOs, as well as the pertinent substantive foundations. 2. Be able to spot potential legal issues before they become problems, and address them. 3. Be able to communicate legal finance-related opportunities to school boards and the public on topics of current interest. <p>The course will enhance the attendees' understanding of the law that is integral to their duties, not just to protect school districts from pitfalls and liability, but also to enhance service to taxpayers through an understanding of legal options and opportunities.</p>