AUGUST 2014
25 Deadline for Barbara Robey Lifetime Achievement Award nominations: Criteria Nomination form

SEPTEMBER 2014
1 Labor Day – ASBA office closed
3-5 ASBA Law Conference, JW Marriott Camelback Inn, Scottsdale: Register
6 ASBA Delegate Assembly, JW Marriott Camelback Inn, Scottsdale: Register
13 School Board Appreciation Night at Arizona Diamondbacks: Tickets
23 Cochise County Meeting – Willcox USD, Willcox: Register
24 Santa Cruz County Meeting – Rio Rico High School: Register
30 Pima County Meeting – Tanque Verde USD: Register

Elections to be held for 8 open seats on ASBA’s Board of Directors at this year’s county meetings
ASBA County Directors serve as members of the association’s board of directors, which meets at least four times a year and determines oversight and financial management of the association.

This year, the following counties will be holding elections for seats on the ASBA board of directors at their annual county meeting:
- Santa Cruz County – Wednesday, Sept. 24
- Pima County – Tuesday, Sept. 30
- Gila County – Thursday, Oct. 2
- Coconino County – Thursday, Oct. 9
- Mohave County – Tuesday, Oct. 14
- La Paz County – Wednesday, Oct. 15
- Maricopa County – Monday, Oct. 20
- Yavapai County – Wednesday, Oct. 22

Those interested in running or nominating someone to run for an ASBA County Director position should complete and submit the online registration form by noon on the Friday before the election/meeting date so that names can be printed on an official ballot. Self-nomination is permissible. Nominees must be present at the meeting. Nominations may also be made from the floor.
For more information about running for ASBA County Director and serving on the ASBA Board of Directors, contact ASBA Executive Director Dr. Tim Ogle at togle@azsba.org or 602.254.1100.

**Heidi Vega to join ASBA as director of communications**
Heidi Vega will be joining ASBA on Oct. 1 as our director communications. Her seven-year tenure at Deer Valley USD, which has been marked by excellence in marketing, communications and public relations, will be a major asset to our organization as we support our members and work to promote the impact and importance of public education in Arizona. Heidi replaces Tracey Benson, who stepped into the role of ASBA associate executive director on July 1.

**Barbara Robey Lifetime Achievement Award deadline next week**
Too often the opportunity is missed to publicly recognize those tireless servant leaders who have dedicated their efforts on behalf of Arizona's public school children. Monday, Aug. 25, is the deadline for nominations for the 2014 Barbara Robey Lifetime Achievement Award, which will be presented at the ASBA-ASA Annual Conference Awards Dinner in December at the Biltmore Conference Center.

Criteria
Nomination form

**Has your district delegate registered yet for this year’s Delegate Assembly?**
Deadline to register is Aug. 22. Deadline to identify your delegate is Aug. 29. Delegates must register online. Registration is $55/person and includes a continental breakfast. The Delegate Assembly will start at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 6.

2014 Official Delegate Form & Registration

**Going, going, almost gone…ASBA 38th Law Conference (Sept. 3-5)**
The deadline to register for the Law Conference has been extended to Tuesday, Aug. 62, but don't be left out. Over 550 registrants have signed up for ASBA's most popular conference which features outstanding speakers, up-to-date breakout sessions with invaluable information on issues critical to school board governance and the opportunity to interact with education leaders from all over Arizona. View the agenda. The conference hotel (JW Marriott Camelback Inn) is sold out; however, ASBA has secured excellent conference rates of $159 single/double at the Montelucia Resort, 4949 E. Lincoln Dr., Scottsdale. The Montelucia is almost directly across the street from the Camelback Inn. To make your reservation, contact the hotel directly at 480.627.3200 or 888.627.3010 and request the Arizona School Boards Association Law Conference rate.

ASBA Law Conference

**AZ STEM Network implements Tools4Teachers website**
This information intensive website, developed by the Arizona STEM Network in partnership with Science Foundation Arizona, provides over 200 STEM-specific resources which have been evaluated and reviewed by education experts from K-12 to higher education. There are five separate categories under this Tools4Teacher umbrella:
- Starting and implementing a STEM Program
- STEM School Administrators and STEM School Policy
- STEM Content and Program Resources
- STEM Professional Development for Educators
- STEM Outreach and Partnerships
Update on ASBA Policy Services’ Policybridge Program training
Policy Services has embarked on a new path that updates our policy delivery system. With the use of cloud-based technology, the PolicyBridge program provides districts enhanced opportunities to work with local policy manual documents. To support this new program, Policy Services staff has scheduled regional training throughout the state. This training is designed for the person in the district that works most directly with ASBA to ensure district policies are maintained and up-to-date. Usually, this is the superintendent's executive assistant or board secretary. To access/register the PolicyBridge Program training schedule. Should there be any questions regarding the PolicyBridge program or the regional training, please contact the ASBA Policy Services staff.

Sign up now for your ASBA County Meeting
Come and meet with your fellow board members and district personnel at your county meeting. Enjoy dinner, entertainment, short ASBA presentations, and presentations for those receiving Academy of Board Development Awards. Registration is just $20 and includes dinner.

There will be an Early Bird presentation at each meeting starting at 4:00 p.m. on the ABCs of Board Service. There is no cost for this session, however RSVP is requested. Anyone who is interested in the basics of board service or a refresher course is welcome to attend. ASBA 2014 County Meetings

Commit to quality! Sign the Make It Count Pledge to support Arizona Quality Standards for out-of-school-time programs
More than 330 out-of-time school programs have responded to Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence’s Make It Count Pledge program since May 1. This is the first step of a three-part continuous quality improvement program. Join their quest by signing the pledge and receive Make It Count posters in English and Spanish to display at your program’s site and see other programs that have already made the commitment.

ASBA Executive Searches

   None open at this time.

Looking for an interim superintendent? ASBA can help. We maintain a database of people interested in serving as interim superintendents. We will post your requirements and send to this list, then provide you with applications from those individuals interested in your position. There is no charge for this service. For assistance in this area, contact Steve Highlen, ASBA Executive Search Consultant, at shighlen@azsba.org.

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