Agenda

2026 School Facilities Planning, Construction and Financing Workshop
DoubleTree by Hilton Ontario Airport
October 1, 2026

7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. **Registration/Continental Breakfast**

8:00 a.m. – 8:10 a.m. **Welcome, Overview of Workshop, Introduction of Guest Speaker**

8:10 a.m. – 8:40 a.m. **Capitol Advisors-Jack O'Connell, Former State Superintendent**

8:50 a.m. – 9:50 a.m. **BREAK OUT ROOMS**

Session 1	Session 2
How to Make Your School Safer **Presenter: Stephen McLoughlin (AALRR)** **Topics will include:** • What is Required to Make Your School Safer? • How to Secure Funding for School Safety • How to Maintain a Friendly School Environment While Creating Safety	**Who's in Charge of a School District Project? Local Government vs. School District Autonomy** **Presenter: Wendy Wiles (AALRR)** **Topics will include:** • Working with Cities and Counties on School District Projects • Protecting Your Project From Regulations • Joint Use Agreements- Pros and Cons

10:00 a.m.- 11:15 a.m. **BREAK OUT ROOMS**

Session 3	Session 4
Top Contract Clauses Every Facilities Professional Should Understand **Presenter: Randy O'Parent (AALRR)** **Topics will include:** • Risk Allocation Provisions: Indemnity, Insurance, Limitation of Liability, Warranties, and Allocation of Risk Between Districts, Architects, and Contractors • Managing Change and Project Disputes: Change Orders, Claims Procedures, Delay Provisions, Time Extensions, Liquidated Damages, and Dispute-Resolution Clauses • Protecting the District During the Entire Project Lifecycle: Termination Rights, Notice Requirements, Prevailing Wage compliance, bonds, retention, and close-out provisions.	**District Facilities – Mitigation and Financing Options** **Presenters: Rob Anslow & Wendy Wiles (AALRR) and Jesse Landre (California Financial Services)** **Topics will include:** • Competition with Cities and Counties • Mitigation & Term Sheet Issues • Special Tax Issues and Calculations • Mello-Roos Act (CFD) Financings

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11:25 a.m.- 12:40 p.m. **BREAK OUT ROOMS**

Session 5	Session 6
Generating Revenue from Cell Tower Agreements **Presenter:** **Douglas Yeoman (AALRR)** **Topics will include:** • The Pros and Cons of entering into a Lease Agreement vs. License Agreement • Legal Requirements for Entering into a Communications Site Agreement • Use of short-term Cell on Wells ("COWS") Agreement • Required Governmental Approvals by Division of State Architect and City/County Having Jurisdiction	**Beyond the Low Bid:** **Smart Procurement Strategies** **Presenter:** **Jeff Frey (AALRR)** **Topics will include:** • Traditional Bidding is Inefficient • Alternatives to the Lowest Responsible Bidder • Cooperative Purchasing Opportunities

12:40 p.m.- 2:00 p.m. **LUNCH**

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. **Panel Discussion with Representatives from the Department of Toxic Substances Control ("DTSC") -- "Working with DTSC: A Practical Guide to New School Construction & Modernization"**