WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE AN EFFECTIVE DIRECTOR?

Cooperative Network and the University of Wisconsin Center for Cooperatives have formatted the winter 2017 Co-op Directors Forum based on director input! This education forum will focus on risk management, legal issues and board recruitment and succession planning. An optional pre-session: “Cooperative Directors 101,” will be offered at no additional cost. New and veteran directors from co-ops of all types and sectors are encouraged to attend this interactive forum.

AGENDA

8:30 a.m. **Cooperative Directors 101**
Cooperative Directors 101 is for new directors, or those who would like a refresher on cooperative board responsibilities. This training will provide a basic overview of cooperative board structure, director roles and best practices. This pre-session is optional to those attending the fall 2017 Co-op Directors Forum.

Anne Reynolds, Executive Director, UW Center for Cooperatives

9:30 a.m. **Registration**

9:45 a.m. **Legal Update and Case Studies**
The board of directors is the strategic decision-making arm of your cooperative. In this session, legal counsel will present attendees with real-life legal situations and lead group discussion on decision-making.

Mark J. Hanson, Partner, Stoel Rives LLP

10:45 a.m. **Break**

11 a.m. **Risk Management at Your Cooperative: What Keeps You Up at Night?**
As a cooperative director, you wear many hats. Managing risk comes in a number of forms. This session will cover some of the top risks all cooperatives face and what you can do as a board to manage them.

Jeff Brandenburg, CPA, Managing Principal Agribusiness and Cooperatives, CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

12:30 p.m. **Lunch (included with registration)**

1:30 p.m. **Panel Discussion: Board Recruitment and Succession Planning**
Experienced co-op directors will share insights and examples of how their co-ops have planned for the future, developed the next generation of cooperative leaders and ensured the board has the tools - and people - it needs to succeed on behalf of the member-owners.

Mark Cade, Director, Compeer Financial
Annette Trescher, Director, Cooperative Resources International

3 p.m. **Q&A and Adjourn**

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Register online at: regonline.com/coopdirectorsforum2017

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