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Colorado School and Public Employees Retirement Association
WORKING FOR RETIREMENT SECURITY

AUGUST 2017 – VOL. 1

CSPERA LEGISLATIVE FORUM

DoubleTree by Hilton in Aurora, Colorado
September 14, 2017; 8:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

**Come and Hear the Gubernatorial Candidates'
Platforms!**

*Not only do we have the candidates but we have a great
line-up of speakers!*

SEE AGENDA
BELOW

**YOU WILL NOT WANT TO
MISS THIS!**

DEADLINE EXTENDED TO
SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

**There Is Still Time!
To Register for a Really Spectacular
CSPERA Legislative Forum!**

All you do is:

1. Complete the Registration Form, see below.
2. Make a Hotel Reservation if you need lodging; information is on the Registration Form.
3. Come and Enjoy!

There is also the chance to advocate for your pensions at both the local level and the national level by meeting Ms. Bailey Childers the Executive Director for the National Public Pension Coalition (NPPC). Ms. Childers will be here to share with us what is going on with public pensions at the national level.

Since 2007, the NPPC has been representing millions of teachers, nurses, police, firefighters and other public sector employees to protect the financial security of working families who rely on public pensions. NPPC works with a national network of state and local coalition efforts to achieve this goal. CSPERA works closely with Secure PERA to be a part of the NPPC network.



Another way CSPERA will have to express themselves about their pensions is at the National Retired Teachers Association (NRTA) National Advocacy Conference to be held September 25-28, 2017 in Washington D.C.

Karen Magnuson, Executive Director of CSPERA and Randy Ross, CSPERA Pre-Retirement Planning Co-Chair will be going to this conference. They will be meeting with our Colorado Congressmen to share with them what we feel are the most pressing issues threatening retirement security in Colorado and America.

Some of the issues that have already been put on the list are:

- Windfall Elimination (WEP) and Government Pension Offset (GPO)
- Health Care, specifically continuation of Medicare
- Protections for State Pensions
- Defined Benefit versus Defined Contribution


Please let us know what you would like us to communicate with Senators Bennett, Gardner, and Representative Polis by emailing us at cspera@aps.k12.co.us with your questions or concerns.



CSPERA Legislative Forum

AGENDA

(Subject to change)

- 8:00 Refreshments
- 8:30 Opening Remarks – Mary Lynn Jones, CSPERA Board President
- 8:35 Pledge of Allegiance
- 8:40 Overview of Today’s Agenda – Kay Shaw, CSPERA Legislative Co-Chair
- 8:45 Crossing the Divide: Building Communities We Want To Live In – Carol Hedges, Colorado Fiscal Institute, Executive Director
- 9:45 BREAK
- 10:00 The Influence of Money in Politics – Peggy Leech, President and Rionda Osman, 2nd VP Communications, League of Women Voters of Boulder County
- 10:45 Fake News – Derigan Silver, Ph.D., Associate Professor-Department of Media, Film and Journalism Studies and Adjunct Faculty Member-Strum College of Law, University of Denver
- 11:30 Colorado Ballot Access – Joe Albion, Ballot Access Manager, Colorado Department of State Elections Division
- 12:00 **LUNCH**
- 12:50 Award and Recognition
- 1:00 Declared 2018 Colorado Gubernatorial Candidate Presentations
- 3:00 National Look at Public Pensions – Bailey Childers, NPPC, Executive Director
- 3:30 A Local Look at Public Pensions - Lynea Hansen, Secure PERA: Colorado Coalition, Executive Director
- 3:45 Closing remarks – Kay Shaw, CSPERA Legislative Co-Chair
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Below is the registration form for the Legislative Forum. Please click [here](#) to print off a copy to fill out and send to CSPERA, 1085 Peoria St., Aurora, CO 80011.

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CSPERA BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES MEETING/LEGISLATIVE FORUM

SEPTEMBER 13, 2017

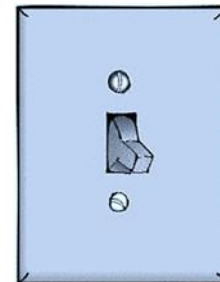
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13696 East Iliff Place, Aurora, CO 80014



Meeting and Lodging Information

- **THE DEADLINE FOR SIGNING UP FOR THE LEGISLATIVE FORUM REGISTRATION IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017.** Call the state office at 303.326.1808 if you have questions. You can also email us at cspERA@aps.k12.co.us.
- **Every attendee must register.** Please check all boxes that apply. **Please send the form below to CSPERA, 1085 Peoria St., Aurora, CO 80011** to indicate your attendance at the Legislative Forum and/or the Board of Directors Meeting.
- If you need overnight stay, please call the Double Tree at 303.337.2800. **DEADLINE FOR LODGING IS FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, 2017.** Reservations made after that date will not be at the CSPERA negotiated rate and members will be asked to pay the difference. Guest rooms have been reserved for Tuesday, September 12th and Wednesday, September 13th. The price of guest rooms are \$139. This cost does include free Breakfast and Happy Hour drink coupons.
- CSPERA will be taking photos for such purposes as publicity, illustrations, advertising, the organization's Web and Facebook content. If you do not wish to have your photo published, we ask that you remove yourself from the camera's view otherwise CSPERA will assume we are entitled to publish your picture and name unless you specifically indicate differently.

Member Information

Participant #1 -Last and First Name: _____

Participant #2 -Last and First Name: _____

I am a Unit Representative for _____ I am a guest _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email for confirmation: _____

In case of on-site emergency contact: _____ Phone: _____

Events

_____ September 13, 2017 – Board of Directors Meeting - \$25 per person for guests \$ _____

Price includes lunch. (No cost to CSPERA Board of Directors and Unit Representatives)

_____ September 14, 2017 – Legislative Forum – Registration Fee - \$35 per person. \$ _____

Price includes lunch.

Vegetarian Meals	
Sept. 13 th	Sept. 14 th
# _____	# _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

_____ This is the first time for me to attend a CSPERA Legislative Forum.

_____ (Name of Person) encouraged me to attend.