Westrends Board
Friday, September 14, 2018
9:00 AM - Noon
Location: Primrose B

Chair: Representative Polly Lawrence
Colorado House of Representatives

Vice Chair: Assemblymember Ken Cooley
California State Assembly

AGENDA

9:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

9:10 a.m. Blockchain and Its Implications for Western Policy-Makers
This session will look at the emergence of Blockchain technology and its implications to western states. This will include an overview of Blockchain, why it matters and what states are doing to leverage this technology to stimulate local economies and improve various aspects of public service.

- Hannah Parsons
  Chief Executive Officer
  Exponential Impact

- Nathan Trail
  Sr. Manager, Technology Policy
  Consumer Technology Association

10:30 a.m. Public Pension Trends
The short and long term sustainability of public pension systems will depend on states being able to identify and implement new strategies. This session will provide an overview of the current state of public pension trends in the western region and look into innovative, data-driven approaches that some states have established to sustain their pension systems.

- Greg Mennis
  Director, Public Sector Retirement Systems
  Pew Charitable Trusts

- Marcie Frost
  Chief Executive Officer
  California Public Employees’ Retirement System

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