

#NRMERA

Northern Rocky Mountain Education Research Association | 2017 Conference | Call for Proposals

Keynote Speaker:

**Jillian Balow, Wyoming
State Superintendent of
Public Instruction**

Jillian Balow was elected in 2014 to a four year term as Wyoming's State Superintendent of Public Instruction. In this role she



supervises public education in Wyoming, oversees staff, programming, and budget for the

Wyoming Department of Education, and is a member of many boards and commissions including State Lands, Loan and Investment, UW Trustees, School Facilities, Community Colleges, and the State Board of Education.

Jillian leads with the understanding that every person is a stakeholder in education and every issue in education matters. Areas where Jillian puts special emphasis include: career and technical education, support for our military, and rural education. She serves on the national steering committee for the Education Commission of the States and participates in many state and national discussions so Wyoming children always have a strong voice.

NRMERA 2017 Conference Theme: Creative Innovation in Learning

The 35th annual conference of the Northern Rocky Mountain Education research association will be held in Boulder, Colorado at the Millenium Harvest House Hotel on October 12-13, 2017. The theme, "Creative Innovation in Learning," encourages researchers to ask important questions about how to forge new pathways in education through innovative and creative means. The political environment, the growth of digital education, the internationalization of learning, and current resource limitations are leading educators tap into deepest senses of the imagination to approach teaching and learning in new ways. NRMERA invites researchers to share new approaches and evidence to move education forward in the present climate.



Call for Proposals - Due: Monday, June 12, 2017

Submission Types

Paper Submissions: These sessions are intended for reporting research results or analyzing issues of policy and practice. Proposal submissions should include the following sections: (a) purpose of the study; (b) review of relevant literature; (c) research design and methods; (d) results and/or conclusions; and (e) a discussion of the educational importance of the study. Presenters are expected to provide extended abstracts (2-3 pages describing the study) or full papers as handouts for the audience. Paper sessions generally have two to three presenters who are each allotted approximately 15-20 minutes to present their study. A session chair/moderator will be assigned to facilitate the session. There will be one poster session following typical poster session format and will last 60 minutes.

Learn at Lunch Roundtable Submissions: These sessions are particularly conducive for new presenters and graduate students to allow greater interaction and less formality. Individual presenters are assigned tables in a large meeting



Proposals Evaluation

The 2017 Program staff, NRMERA Executive Board members, and interested members will conduct a blind review of all submitted proposals. If interested in becoming a reviewer, please indicate so on the submission form. Evaluation Criteria includes: (1) Relevance and Currency, (2) Purpose and Rationale, (3) Review of Relevant Literature, (4) Research Methodology, (5) Data Analyses, (6) Results and Conclusions, (7) Educational Significance, (8) Fit with Presentation Format

Tentative Conference Schedule

Wednesday

8:00-9:00pm -Board Meeting

Thursday

9:00-9:45pm -

Welcome & Breakfast

10:00-12:00pm -Sessions

12:15-1:30pm -Keynote Speaker

1:45-4:45pm -Sessions

5:15-6:15pm -Presidential

Reception/Poster Session

6:30-7:45pm -Banquet

8:00pm -Grad Student Social

Friday

9:00-9:45 -Business Meeting

10:00-12:00 -Sessions

12:15-1:15pm -Learn at Lunch

1:30-3:30pm -Sessions

3:45-4:00pm -Closing Remarks

4:00-5:00pm -Executive Meeting

room where interested persons may gather for “Learn at Lunch” discussions with the presenter about chosen topics. These are more informal conversations, so proposals should be geared towards conversations that can be discussed over lunch in under an hour.

Poster Submissions: These sessions are intended for reporting research results or analyzing issues of policy and practice. Poster proposal submissions should include the following sections: (a) purpose of the study; (b) review of relevant literature; (c) research design and methods; (d) results and/or conclusions; and (e) a discussion of the educational importance of the study. Presenters are expected to provide extended abstracts (2-3 pages describing the study) and have a professional poster prepared for display. Presenters accepted for poster session will receive details regarding the size limitations of their display space prior to the conference. There will be one or two sessions following typical poster session format lasting 60 minutes.

Workshop Submissions: Workshops differ from symposia in that they encourage audience participation, and provide demonstrations and/or illustrations. The amount of time allotted to workshops is variable, depending on the topic and program needs.

Submitting Proposals

All proposals should be prepared using the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association: Sixth Edition (APA, 2010) and submitted through the 2016 NRMERA Conference Submission Portal :

Click Here: [Submission Portal Link](#)

Submission Deadline is 6/12/2017

Proposal submissions for Papers and Posters should include the following sections: (a) Title; (b) 25 word abstract; (c) three keywords; (d) purpose of the study; (e) review of relevant literature; (f) research methodology; (g) results and/or conclusions; and (h) a discussion of the educational importance of the study. All proposals should be saved in Word or PDF format, only 2-3 pages in length, and have NO IDENTIFYING information.

Proposal submissions for Learn at Lunch Roundtable and Workshops should include the following sections: (a) Title; (b) 25 word abstract; (c) three keywords; (d) purpose of the presentation; (e) review of relevant literature; (f) learning outcomes for attendees at presentation; and (g) a discussion of the educational importance of the topic being presented. If your presentation includes a research study, include research methodology and results and/or conclusions in your discussion.

Please contact Athena Kennedy (akenned2@asu.edu), NRMERA President, with any questions. The conference submission portal can be accessed via NRMERA's conference website (www.nrmera.org/annual-conference).

Conference Accommodations

Millennium Harvest House Hotel in Boulder, Colorado is located 45 minutes West of Denver International Airport (DIA). Shuttles can be scheduled from DIA. Single & double occupancy room rates are \$149 per night. Reservations must be made in advance of September 11, 2017 by calling 800-545-6285 or [reserve online by clicking here](#) and use the following code: 1710RESEAR