Wednesday, September 28
Registration/Conference Information Center
7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Oceanside Front Lobby

Breakfast
7:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m., Ballrooms A/C

Lifelong Learning Academy Classes
8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Core: County Government Law, Meeting Room 1
- Core: Public Safety and Public Health, Meeting Room 2
- Specialty: Arts, Culture and Tourism (Quality of Life/Social Issues), Meeting Room 11
- Specialty: Public Safety: Developing Collaborative Strategies and Practices (Public Safety), Meeting Room 7
- Specialty: Debt Financing (Revenue and Finance), Meeting Room 9
- Specialty: Transparency in Government (Citizen Engagement), Meeting Room 8
- Specialty: Motivation and Successful Leadership (Leadership Development), Meeting Room 10

Opening Reception
4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., Oceanside Lobby and Terrace

Thursday, September 29
Registration/Conference Information Center
7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Oceanside Front Lobby

Breakfast
7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m., Ballrooms A/C
7:45 a.m.
Presentation of Lifelong Learning Academy Certificates

Opening General Session
8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., Ballroom B
- Welcome from ACCG, Pledge of Allegiance, and National Anthem
  Tommy Lyon, Elbert County Chairman and ACCG President
• **Policy Issue Update:** The ACCG policy staff will provide an overview of the changes to the 2015-2016 ACCG Policy Platform in each of the seven policy areas. The County Platform guides ACCG’s advocacy work with the Georgia General Assembly and Congress.

**Continuing Education Session: “Looking Ahead – A Preview of the 2017 General Assembly Session by Legislative Leadership”**
10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m., Ballroom B

- A roundtable discussion by Senate and House leadership on their perspectives of the pressing issues that will come up during the next legislative session. Panelists include: **Senator Bill Cowsert, Senate District 46; Senator Harold Jones II, Senate District 22; Representative Jon Burns, House District 159; and Representative David Wilkerson, House District 38.**

**Lunch**
12:00 p.m.-1:15 p.m., Ballrooms A/C

- **Call to Order**
  President Lyon

- **A Video Message from Governor Nathan Deal**

- **Keynote Presentation: “Politics as Usual? Not in 2016!”**
  [Image of Bill Crane]
  Political analyst and commentator Bill Crane offers his views of this very unusual political year. Crane shares his political observations in Georgia Trend magazine each month and with “One Man’s Opinion” on WSB radio in Atlanta.
  -*Introduction by Gwinnett County Chairman Charlotte Nash, ACCG Immediate Past President*

- **Public Service PSA: Shake Your Sheriff’s Hand**
  A quick look at the public service announcement produced by ACCG in collaboration with the Georgia Sheriff’s Association that captures the work of county law enforcement in their communities.

**General Session / Business Session**
1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., Ballroom B

- **Adoption of Business Session Procedures**
- **Report of Policy Council and Adoption of 2017-2018 County Platform**
- **Other Business**

**Continuing Education Hot Topic Session: The Changing World of Transportation Funding for Georgia Counties**
2:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Meeting Rooms 7/8
During this session there will be a discussion of new tools for funding county transportation projects including the single county TSPLOST that will be available to all counties next year. In addition to recent funding changes impacting road, street and bridge projects, this session will cover changes in the way we may fund transit, airports and other modes of transportation in the future. Several new funding ideas that are likely to come before the legislature in 2017 will also be discussed. Presenters: **Clint Mueller, ACCG Legislative Director; Terry Gable, Local Grants Administrator, Georgia Department of Transportation.**
Continuing Education Hot Topic Session: Complex County Issues - FLSA’s New Overtime Pay Rule and Wireless Issues Rights of Way

2:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Meeting Rooms 9/10
This continuing education session will cover two complex issues counties are currently facing. First, changes to the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) that become effective on December 1, 2016, will almost double the current salary threshold for executive, administrative, and professional employees not entitled to overtime or comp time. The first part of this session explains the rule change and its impact on public-sector employers. The second part of this session will provide an update on legal issues presented by requests to site wireless facilities in the right of way. Speakers: J. Larry Stine, Attorney, Wimberly, Lawson, Steckel, Schneider & Stine, PC and Joe Atkins, Attorney, Downey & Cleveland, LLP

Please Note: The County Administrators-Managers workshop usually held during the Legislative Leadership Conference will not take place this year because of the relevance of the Hot Topic sessions.

Board of Managers Meeting
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Meeting Rooms 1/2/3

Reception
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Ben Porter Salon

Friday, September 30
Conference Information Center
7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Oceanside Front Lobby

Breakfast
7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m., Ballrooms A/C

Lifelong Learning Academy Classes
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Core: Ethics, Meeting Room 1
- Core: Human Resources, Meeting Room 2
- Specialty: Technology Solutions (County Operations and Management), Meeting Room 8
- Specialty: Disaster and Emergency Preparedness: Commission Roles and Responsibilities (Public Safety), Meeting Room 9
- Specialty: Courts and the Justice System (Public Safety), Meeting Room 11
- Specialty: Conflict Resolution (Intergovernmental Relations), Meeting Room 10
- Specialty: Successfully Negotiating Service Delivery Strategy Agreements (Intergovernmental Relations), Meeting Room 7