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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I have heard that many of you were disappointed last month because I did not have a President's Corner in the election edition. 😊 Never fear, it is back. To give you an update, Ellie now has a pink guitar and walks around the house singing us songs. Her favorite genre is country, but she likes to throw a little Beyonce in there as well. She is now after a set of drums. I will let you know as soon as we hear from Simon Cowell. Ben is 6 months old on the 30th of March. He loves to watch Ellie and is still rolling all over the house to try to catch her. I have a feeling he will be crawling by our next Update. Work is also keeping me very busy these days. Amongst teachers needs. meetings, negotiations and 403b conversations I am having a hard time doing anything else. Hope that everyone has a fabulous Spring Break!! Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE

I want to let everyone know that we are knee deep in negotiations right now. We have been meeting about once a week for the past

5 weeks and have a meeting scheduled over Spring Break. As soon as we reach a point where we can share some specific details I will be sending out an all member email to give you information. I know the waiting is difficult but please know that we are working very hard to get you the best contract possible.

INSURANCE UPDATE

I would like to thank those who volunteered to sign release forms so that we could investigate the alleged insurance problems that are happening in the district. After HR and I do some work we will be doing one of two things. We will send out information about what is happening or we will send out a survey to gather more information. If you have any questions about this in the meantime, please let me know.

NOMINATIONS NEEDED

Nominations are needed for the upcoming President's Dinner. The MEA gives awards every year for:

- Rookie of the Year nominate a • superior first year teacher.
- Friend of Education nominate someone outside of education that

does good things for your school or the district.

- Service nominate a teacher who has gone above and beyond for Millard and the MEA
- Building Representative nominate your MEA building rep. if he/she does an outstanding job.

To nominate a person just send an email to Molly Erickson at

<u>mberickson@mpsomaha.org</u> with a brief description of the person you are nominating and why they deserve this award.

ELECTIONS RESULTS

Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote. These results are unofficial, as our Rep. Council has not yet voted on them. However, they were distributed at the Rep. Council meeting and then Mother Nature took over and we had to adjourn before approval.

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	Sherryl Shannon

PRESIDENT'S DINNER

If you are retiring this year you should have received a letter from the MEA inviting you to the President's Dinner. It will be held on Sunday, May 3rd at Shadow Ridge Country Club. As a retiree you, a guest and your presenter are invited to come. You will be receiving a formal invitation with meal choices soon. We look forward to seeing many of you at this amazing event. If you have not yet contacted us as to whether or not you can come please contact Mary Jo Warren at your earliest convenience. maryjo.warren@nsea.org or 731-0400.