

**Millard Education Association  
Representative Council Meeting  
MPS Foundation Office—5225 S. 159<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Monday, February 6, 2017  
4:30 p.m.**

Attendance:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BUILDING</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>BUILDING</u>
Paul Schulte	President	Marsha Edquist	Vice Pres
Chris Janovec	Rec Secretary	Kathie Garabrandt	Treasurer
Deanna Kuhn	B of D	Kelsey Kummer	B of D
Tim Royers	B of D	Reynee Shanahan	B of D
Renee Broesch	Abbott	Lauri Cork	Ackerman
Nitra Arlton-Doyle	Cottonwood	Jaime Johannsen	Disney
Sara Rohren	Montclair	Elizabeth Engelbart	Morton
Emily Brown	Reagan	Shanna Wilwerding	Rockwell
Anne Chambers	Rohwer	Tonya Dykstra	Sandoz
Julie Jernstrom	Willowdale	Gayle Jeffers	Beadle
Amy Thalken	Beadle	Stacy Kester-Pearson	Russell
Zachary Ward	Russell	Simon Rohde	North High

### Agenda

- I. Brian Mikkelsen—NSEA—How to contact and lobby politicians "
  - A. thanks for work on Senator Kolowski's re-election
  - B. please contact/tweet Deb Fisher with thoughts about her support of public education in the past (I am a teacher and a Democrat/Republican);; phone calls – please be very polite
  - C. 2/22 Legislative Dinner – email Paul if you are interested
  - D. Governor's income tax cuts –
  - E. LB 568 and 650 – water down teacher certification, to help with sub shortages in some communities " contact Senator Linehan
  - F. Community college tenure change from 2 years to 3 years
  - G. Charter and voucher bills – sponsored by Linehan
  - H. School Discipline – NSEA sent out survey, will be more information coming out
  - I. Master Teacher stipend – Ricketts cut budget to \$0, negotiated to fund some
  
- II. Agenda Revisions/Additions " none, approved as submitted.
  
- III. Routine Matters
  - A. Approval of the January BR Minutes " none, approved as submitted
  - B. Approval of Financial Report – Treasurer's Report " none, approved as submitted
  
- IV. Information Items
  - A. Membership—Marsha
    1. MEA Teacher Appreciation Gift " 4 in 1 charging tool
    2. 2/27 membership mtg at La Mesa 156<sup>th</sup> and Q at 5:30
  - B. Negotiations Update—Tim " plugging away, later finish that last few years so can incorporate info from unicameral;; trying for 2 year agreement;; valuation increase helping even if capped at 3%;; district makes the next offer
    1. Nurse negotiations started last week
  - C. NSEA Children's Fund/Jeans Day " talked with Dr. Sutfin, developing a poster that he will approve tomorrow – as a state, NSEA wants to raise \$150000
  - D. Spring 2017 Nominations
    1. MEA Elections – 3 candidates for 2 open elementary director positions – voting in March
    2. NSEA Elections – Nancy Fulton termed out;; Jennie Benson running unopposed;; 2 running for Vice President (Paul Schulte and Tracia Blum)
    3. NSEA Delegate Assembly April 21-22, 2017 – have 20 positions to fill & 16 delegates so far
    4. NEA Representative Assembly June 29-July 6, 2017 – 7 positions available & 8 delegates running
  
- V. Action Items/Unfinished Business

- A. Nominations/Elections " moved on behalf of election committee – With only one candidate for each of the following positions, the following people are elected by acclamation to the MEA Board of Directors. Marsha Edquist is elected as Vice President, Kathie Garabrandt is elected as Treasurer, Zac Ward is elected as Middle School Director, Stacy Kester--Pearson is At-Large Director, Kelsey Kummer is High School Director

VI. Reports

A. President's Report

1. 2/22 Legislative Dinner " contact [cathy.schapmann@nsea.org](mailto:cathy.schapmann@nsea.org)
2. Traveling across state to visit with the six NSEA districts as NSEA Vice President candidate – call Paul's cell or the MEA office if you need anything
3. Very busy month working on Foundation committees, NSEA Strategic Planning Committee and other committees, and the MBA
4. Work day/Staff development day – due to the snow day on staff development day, the MEA worked with Kevin Chick to combine the staff development day with the work day. Then the necessary staff development could take place when needed and not have to add an extra day at the end of the year.

B. Vice President's Report

1. Be great to get fill all delegate positions for DA
2. Strategic plan and governance review will be shared at DA
3. Hip replacement surgery in March

C. Treasurer's Report (Financial Statement) " thanks for re-electing

D. NSEA Organizational Specialist Report " Mandy home sick

E. NSEA/Metro Board Report " next mtgs are March

F. LCCC/Legislative Report " Brian shared above – ones to watch: Masters Teacher program;; Temporary Teacher Certificates;; NE Reading Improvement Act;; School Grading System, Scholarships, Vouchers, Charters, School Pension Plan;; Rule of 90 instead of 85;; Eliminating/Reducing Tax of Social Security;; Removing payroll deduct;; CIR ability to pay requirements;; Community College tenure;; Police/Fire retirement plan – lots to watch

G. GRC

VII. Attachments

- A. January 2016 BR Minutes
- B. January 2016 Financial Statement

VIII. Future Agenda Items

- A. Pro--Com topics " MAP results shared in punitive way, compared against schools, testing schedules, staff availability, validity

Mtg adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Janovec