

**Report of the Budget Committee of the Board of Directors
to the 2016 NSEA Delegate Assembly,
By NSEA Vice President Jenni Benson, Lincoln, Chair**

The Budget Committee of the NSEA Board of Directors is comprised of appointed representatives from each of the NSEA's six districts, plus two at-large board members elected each September by the board. The elected officers of NSEA and management staff are also committee members.

The NSEA continues to be fiscally sound. The finances of the NSEA are carefully and thoughtfully managed by management and staff. The NSEA Board of Directors reviews the monthly financial statements and is presented with a comprehensive audit each year.

The Budget Committee met Nov. 20, 2015, to discuss and revise the budget based on the current membership numbers to ensure a balanced budget.

On Feb. 29, 2016, the Budget Committee met by WebEx to review a preliminary budget, and reviewed projected income and expenses for the upcoming association year. On March 4, 2016, the Budget Committee met again to make decisions on the tentative budget and to recommend the dues amount for the different membership categories to the 2016 Delegate Assembly. The Budget Committee considered and debated the budget and presented a dues recommendation to the NSEA Board. The NSEA Board of Directors adopted those proposed dues rates on March 5, 2016.

A dues increase of \$12 for full-time active certified members will be on the agenda during the final day of the Delegate Assembly. This reflects a 3.1 percent increase.

Specific income and expense amounts are found in the Strategic Planning and Budget document available to all delegates. Following the Delegate Assembly's determination of the dues amounts, the 2016-17 budget will be finalized and adopted by the NSEA Board of Directors by October.