

Representative Assembly Planning Committee
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The Representative Assembly Planning Committee of the NSEA Board of Directors has met several times in conjunction with NSEA Board meetings to prepare for the 2017 NEA Representative Assembly in Boston. Dates for the RA and related activities will be from June 30 to July 6.

Nebraska delegates will stay at the Sheraton Boston Hotel with rooms costing \$234.62/night. This includes all taxes, so a shared room will be \$117.31/night. State at-large delegates will receive an advance to cover the cost of a shared room, transportation between the airport and hotel, and a per diem rate to cover the cost of food. We will deduct \$20/day for the days that breakfast is provided at caucus. State at-large delegates will need to contact the NSEA administrative assistants for all travel reservations, unless given permission from the NSEA president to make their own flight arrangements. NSEA at-large state delegates will be allowed to voucher the amount paid for Nebraska Night and/or the HCR banquet if it does not exceed the advanced amount.

The delegate fee for 2017 was set at \$175 to partially cover the cost of breakfast at the caucuses. Nebraska Night will be held on June 30, with a Sunset Cruise that will share the history, sights, and lore of Boston Harbor.

We will have daily auctions to raise money for the NEA Fund for Children and Public Education. Please bring items for the committee to auction. If you have new ideas for raising money for the Fund, please share it with a member of the committee. We will also look for volunteers to serve as a state delegate contact for delegates from other states. In agreement with the other state affiliates, no state gift will be purchased to give, but delegates may bring small items to give that represent our state and communities,

State delegates will have 20 days following the conclusion of RA to turn in expense vouchers. Per NSEA Board policy, those state delegates not turning in vouchers within the allotted time will be given only air fare and hotel costs up front the following year. Delegates who do not submit vouchers before the end of the NSEA fiscal year will not receive reimbursement.