

Report of the Social Justice/Just Schools Committee

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The Social Justice Committee was created in response to a 2019 Delegate Assembly New Business Item that called for the NSEA to form this committee to coordinate social justice activities of the Association statewide.

The pandemic has caused the social justice work in our state to go largely online. The committee's 2020 recommendations to seek out opportunities for members across the state challenged NSEA staff to seek out members who would not only be willing to participate in, but also train in holding difficult Conversations on Race and Belonging sessions with Palma Strand and Michelle Chang.

In February, the committee met to discuss racial and social justice issues across the state and again asked that this language be submitted to the NSEA board to amend the Strategic Plan to rename the committee the Racial and Social Justice Committee, after many committee members had the opportunity to participate in Conversations on Race and Belonging during either 2019 or 2020.

During the 2021 year, the committee will begin facilitating NSEA Social Justice Café events to allow members to learn about a variety of social justice topics in either online or in-person settings.