

Report of the NEA Directors Committee

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As elected members of the National Education Association (NEA) Board of Directors, we have been focusing on the four areas of the NEA Strategic Priorities: Racial Justice, My School-My Choice, Supporting Professional Excellence, and Early Career Educators.

To do this we have met as an NEA Board via Zoom. Your directors have attended the Virtual Representative Assembly, NEA Leadership Summit, and the NSEA Board and District meetings. We have also attended beginning-of-the-school-year events at locals and districts during July and August 2021.

A focus of the NEA Board has been to create a comprehensive New Business Item A, which will address racial and social justice. Our board has also spent many hours having discussions on the strategic priorities and how we can represent all members across the country.

The NEA Board also made the decision, after much discussion, to move the 2022 Representative Assembly from Dallas, Texas, to Chicago, Illinois.

During our Super Week visits to Washington, DC, NEA Directors meet with our elected representatives in person. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, we have not met in person this year and have stayed in contact with phone calls, zoom meetings, and emails.

As NEA Directors, we are part of NEA committees. Tracy Hartman-Bradley is a member of the Human Rights Awards Committee and a new think tank committee: Safe and Just Schools. She also is very active in caucus work. Linda Freye is a member of the Legislative Committee and Read Across America Committee.

This is Tracy Hartman-Bradley's final year as an NEA Director. Thank you, Tracy, for your leadership at the national level for the past six years!