NSEA: 100% Member-Driven and Member-Led

NSEA – your professional education association – operates as a representative democracy. Every member has an equal voice, and every member has equal representation within the Association.

Every school building has an appointed or elected Association/Faculty Representative, and every local association has elected leaders who know your district like no other organization. As the only organization able to negotiate on your behalf, your local association colleagues work with you, listen to your concerns, and negotiate with the school district for higher salaries, benefits and improved working conditions. Your local association leaders have important relationships with school administration that result in better negotiations.

Your building representatives connect to the elected officers of your districtwide local Association, and each local Association is represented in one of six NSEA governance districts. Each of NSEA’s six governance districts have representatives who serve on the NSEA Board of Directors.

NSEA Board members are chosen in online elections and any Association member in good standing is encouraged to seek election to their district or the statewide board.

Additionally, members from every local association are eligible to seek election to serve as a representative to the NSEA Delegate Assembly. At that annual meeting, more than 300 delegates from across Nebraska gather to debate and set the Association’s agenda for the coming year, craft the Association’s foundational Resolutions, and review and update the Bylaws.

Executive team: NSEA is lead by President Jenni Benson (front left), Vice President Robert Miller (back left), and two directors on the National Education Association Board, Tracy Hartman-Bradley (front right) and Linda Freye. All are classroom teachers who guide Association operations. Assembly delegates also elect the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors – two Nebraska representatives to serve on the National Education Association Board of Directors, and the NSEA president and vice president.

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District Officers

These members have been elected to lead NSEA at the District level:

**Metro District**
President .................. Marsha Edquist, Millard
Vice Pres. .................... Vacancy
Treasurer ..................... Vacancy
Secretary .................. Julie Adams, Bellevue
Exec Comm ................. Lee Perez, Omaha
                      Mollie Davies, Omaha
                      Diana Casey, Omaha
                      Chris Janovec-Poehlman, Millard
                      Stacy Kester-Pearson, Millard
                      Andrew Bowen, Bellevue
                      Sarah Davenport, Westside
Three vacancies

**Elkhorn District**
President ............. Lisa Hanson, Neligh-Oakdale
Vice Pres. .............. Katherine Lederer, Fremont
Treasurer ............... Jill Anderson, Walshill
Secretary .............. Lanette VonSeggern, Pender
Exec Comm ............ Gary Loftis, Lyons-Decatur
                      Marsha Silver, Scribner-Snyder
                      Kristi Rastede, Northeast CC
                      Sandi Cannon, S. Sioux City
                      Manni Belfrage, Tekamah-Herman
                      Pamela Anderson, Hartington-Newcastle
Exec Comm ......... Megan Helberg, Loup County
                      Lynette Svenson, Callaway
                      Two vacancies

**Capitol District**
President .......... Burke Brown, Palmyra/OR-1
Vice Pres. ............ Jen Yoder, Lincoln
Treasurer ............. Nora Lenz, Lincoln
Secretary ............ Megan Pitrat, Lincoln
Exec Comm ........... Jake Jolliffe, Lincoln
                      Gina Bolz, Lincoln
                      Michael Cobelen, Waverly
                      One vacancy

**Sandhills District**
President ............. Mary Gregoski, Palmer
Vice Pres. ............. Whitney Hake, Palmer
Treasurer ............. Marcia Smith, Wheeler-Central
Secretary ............. Vacancy

**Tri-Valley District**
President ............. Ben Welsch, Hastings
Vice Pres. ............. Jade Bartunek, Hastings
Treasurer ............. Angie Dickey, Chase County

**Panhandle District**
President ............. Renae Noble, Chadron
Vice Pres. ............. Vacancy
Treasurer ............. Matt Chrisman, Mitchell
Secretary ............. Shannon Kinsella, Alliance
Exec Comm ............. Amanda Reily, Bayard
                      Allie Peters, Leyton
                      Bryan Regier, Stapleton
Four vacancies

**Secretary** ............ Holly Ortega, Grand Island
                      Judy Henning, UNK
                      Abby Hansen, Lexington
                      Janet Sheaffer, Chase County
                      Robin Henrichs, McCook
                      Two vacancies

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