President's Report – April 2023

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"When given the choice between right and kind, choose kind."
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REA Executive Board and Delegate Elections: Candidate statements were emailed to the membership on 4/3/23. There are 2 positions, REA President and Middle School Special Services Officer, that are contested. For voting purposes ALL members will vote for the position of president; only MIDDLE SCHOOL members will vote for the Middle School Special Services officer.

Contract Ratification: A collective bargaining agreement between Reading School District and Reading Education Association was ratified on 3/22/23. It will take a few weeks before a signed copy will be distributed to the membership. As with last time, a hard copy will not be distributed. An electronic copy will be emailed and will also be located on the REA website under resources. Changes will go into effect when we return for the 23-24 school year.

Update on misappropriated funds: An insurance claim was filed through PSEA/NEA on March 31, 2023. Our contact at PSEA stated it may take several months for the insurance company to review the documents and process the reimbursement. PSEA will provide monthly updates as to where we are in the process at the end of each month.