

Reading Education Association  
Representative Council Meeting

Thursday, March 9, 2023

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**Executive Board Members Present:**

Rebecca Titus	Lindsay Evans	Dana Gerhard
Shanalyn Eckenrod	Brian Benkert	Nate Henschel
Teresa Heckman	Deb Redcay	Jeremy Lowther
Chrissie Stauffer	Jennifer Oakes	

**Executive Committee Members Absent:**

Joe Okonski

**Committee Chairs Present:**

Laura Stauffer	Jennifer Bard
Jennifer Mazur	Vicki Halferty
Kevin High	Judy Treichler

**Committee Chairs Absent: n/a**

**Rep. Council Members Present:**

Aaron Thompson	Heather Shutter	Lauren Walton
Adam Gillen	Ian Hirschtritt	Liza Hoppes
Amanda Bayer	Jamie Folk	Mark Wurster
Amber Marshall	Jamie Petro	Mike Metzger
Anna Finn	Jen Sell	Nicole Slickers
Ashley Frick	Jessica China	Rebecca Alexander
Christina Davis	Joell Koller	Shane Schlosberg
Cindy Roberts	John Reinhard	Shannon Duff
Dana Schaeffer	Josh Lambert	Sherry Katrinak
Dara Kluth	Karl Ruch	Steve Hudak
David Novello	Kelly Snyder	Tracey Therrien
Deb Gingrich	Krista Cyran	Trista Hanson
Deb Ammerall	Kristina Roxburgh	Valerie Garvin
Duane Kring	Lael Schwart	Vicki Halferty

**Phone Numbers of members present:**  
Ending in\*\*\*\*\*71  
Ending in \*\*\*\*\*79

**Rep. Council Members Absent:**

Alana Jones	James Wright
Ashley Rambo	Jacquella Koroma
Bonnie Fox	Jessica Novak
Brian Miller	Jessica Rizzolo
Danielle Haubaker	Thomas Stavitzski

**PSEA Uni-Serve Representative Absent:** John McKiernan

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 by Rebecca

- I. Adoption of Agenda with Flexibility – **motion to approve agenda with flexibility was made by Kevin High and 2nd by Aaron Thompson**
- II. Introduction of Guests – n/a

**III. Minutes from Rep Council Meeting - February 2023**

- A. Additions/Corrections – n/a
- B. Questions
- C. Approval – **motion to approve February 2023 Rep Council minutes was made by David Novello and 2nd by Dana Schaeffer.**

**IV. Treasurer’s Report**

- A. Additions/Corrections - n/a
- B. Questions - n/a
- C. Motion to approve treasurer’s report - **made by Lindsay Evans and 2nd by Vicky Halferty**

**V. New Business**

- A. Motion to pay the bills was made by **Kevin High and 2nd by Brian Benkert**

**VI. Officer Reports**

**A. Membership - Dana Gerhardt**

- a. Speaks for itself
  - i. 1 last email blast
  - ii. Deadline for teachers to join REA is March 15

**B. VP/Grievance - Lindsay Evans**

- a. VP
  - i. Speaks for itself
- b. Grievance
  - i. Speaks for itself

**C. High School VP - Brian Benkert**

- a. Report speaks for itself

**D. Middle School VP East - Shanaly Eckenrod**

- a. Report speaks for itself

**E. Middle School VP West - Joe Okonski (absent)**

- a. Read his report

**F. Secondary Special Services - Jeremy Lowther**

- a. Report speaks for itself.

**G. Elementary East - Teresa Heckman**

- a. Report speaks for itself

**H. Elementary West - Nate Henschel**

- a. Report speaks for itself

**I. Elementary Special Services - Chrissie Stauffer**

- a. Report speaks for itself

**J. NTPE - Jen Oakes**

- a. Report speaks for itself
  - i. It is National School Counselors Week

**VII. Chairperson Reports**

**A. Communications (Laura Stauffer)**

- a. Report speaks for itself

**B. Sick Bank (Jen Mazur)**

- a. Report speaks for itself

**C. Health and Safety (Judy Treichler)**

- a. Report speaks for itself

**D. Intergroup Welfare (Jen Bard)**

- a. Report speaks for itself
  - i. Retirement Dinner will be held at B2 Bistro

**E. IPD (Vicki Halferty)**

- a. Report speaks for itself
  - i. March 20
    - 1. ½ day - some people may be out of the building for ½ day
    - 2. It is a 3 PM dismissal with an hour lunch

**F. Labor Relations (VACANT)**

**G. SAC (VACANT)**

- a. We have no Chairperson, but we did have a SAC meeting and the minutes are attached.

**H. PACE (Kevin High)**

- a. Report speaks for itself

**VI. President's Report - Rebecca Titus**

**A. Election Year**

- a. Intent to Run Forms were sent out with the Feb. 27 Monday Message
  - i. Send to Evan Jack
  - ii. Deadline is March 31

**B. Scholarship**

- a. REA dependent/RHS Scholarship
  - i. We haven't received any applications for scholarships

**C. General Membership Meeting - March 20th**

- a. March 20th
- b. Must attend to receive your salary card

**D. Vote - March 22nd**

- a. Voting places
  - i. RHS; Amanda Stoudt; 13th and Union; NWAE
- b. 3-5 PM
- c. Need ID
- d. No assigned locations
- e. Results will be posted on the website
  - i. Under news and announcements
  - ii. Not prior to 7 pm

**E. Rebecca met with PSEA about insurance claim**

- a. PSEA will send information for the claim to NEA

b. NEA said it will take about three months until we hear something!

**UniServe Report - John McKiernan (n/a)**

**VIII. Old Business - n/a**

**X. Good of the REA - n/a**

**XI. Next Meeting**

A. Next Rep. Council meeting will be Virtual on April 13th

**XI. Adjournment** – motion to adjourn was made by Lindsay Evans and Valerie Garvin

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Deb Redcay,  
REA Secretary