



Watch along the Kanawha

October 2010

Welcome to all of our NEW MEMBERS!

We are privileged to serve all of our members, and welcome those of you who have joined this year. The opportunity to have the support of the WVEA, join a professional association that listens to its members and includes them in the decision making process, take advantage of the money-saving ACCESS Card, participate in professional development activities, and the friendly atmosphere of the association, have attracted you to the KCEA/WVEA. Monthly meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at the WVEA Headquarters on Quarrier St. ALL MEMBERS are welcome.

School Curriculum Teams

For those of you who have asked about the establishment of Curriculum Teams in your school:

Code 18-5A-6 Establishment of Curriculum Teams

There shall be established at EACH school in the state a school curriculum team composed of the school principal, the counselor designated to serve that school, and no fewer than three teachers representative of the grades taught at the school and CHOSEN BY THE FACULTY SENATE. CURRICULUM TEAMS ARE NOT CHOSEN BY THE PRINCIPAL.

Clip and Save

Mark Your Calendar

for the monthly KCEA meetings:

2nd Monday of each month at 4:15 p.m.

WVEA Headquarters

(unless notified otherwise-- check the KCEA web site)

<http://pages.suddenlink.net/kcea/>

1558 Quarrier St.

Charleston, West Virginia

Calendar Committee

Our new representative for the KCS Calendar Committee is Kat Miller, Richmond Elementary teacher. After listening to the concerns of our reps and members, Kat relayed the wishes of the KCEA members to the Calendar Committee.

We continue to support Spring Break connected to the Easter Holiday, and the traditional start time for school in mid-August. Please contact the board members and let them know what you think.

After a lengthy debate last year, your comments and phone calls, KCS representative says, "We have gotten the message that employees want Spring Break at Easter!"

Hopefully, you participated in the KCS survey online and voiced your opinion on these issues for the 2011 school year.

FYI—although the survey indicated 100% of the students on the committee supported the early start—there are TWO students on the committee.

VOTE! November 2, 2010

Early voting begins October 13 in Kanawha County.

KCEA/WVEA "NEVER" represents an administrator against a teacher. Teachers take precedence!

Data Notebooks

Several questions have come to the attention of the KCEA concerning Data Notebooks for each student. During a recent meeting with Dr. Duerring, he stated, "Data Notebooks are not required. They are not being required by anyone."

If you feel Data Notebooks are a valuable use of your time, and you find they benefit your students, then it is your choice to use them as documentation. However, several teachers have expressed concern about using too much time for collecting data, and not enough time to TEACH.

Workshop

KCEA sponsored the Cell Phone/Internet Use Staff Development on Oct. 12 in order to provide meaningful training for Kanawha Co. employees. Kym Randolph, Communications Director for the WVEA, presented information to guide teachers in the appropriate use of technology. The ice cream social and door prizes were provided by KCEA.

(In order to sponsor this staff development for the betterment of KCS employees, no KCEA/WVEA logo promoting the association was allowed by KCS. Our purpose was to support our teachers and service personnel.)

WEB SITES YOU CAN USE!

AWARD WINNING

KCEA: <http://pages.suddenlink.net/kcea/>

<http://boe.kana.k12.wv.us/>

www.wvea.org

www.nea.org

AWARD WINNING NEWSLETTER

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CONTINUING MEMBERSHIP

I choose to be a continuing member of WVEA, NEA, and my local Association, and I hereby authorize my employer to deduct from my salary and remit to WVEA, in accordance with the agreed upon payroll deduction procedure, unified membership dues, as may be determined from time to time, and political action contributions as indicated above, for the 2010-2011 membership year and every membership year thereafter, provided that I may revoke this authorization as of September 1 of any calendar year by giving written notice to that effect on my employer and WVEA on or before that date.

The National Education Association Fund for Children and Public Education (NEA-FCPE) collects contributions from Association members and uses those contributions to help elect friends of education to federal office. The West Virginia Education Association Political Action Committee (WVEA-PAC) and political action committees connected to local education associations (LEA-PACs) perform a similar function in connection with elections to state and local office. Contributions to NEA-FCPE and WVEA-PAC are voluntary and are not a condition of membership in NEA, WVEA, or any of their affiliates. Although NEA-FCPE and WVEA-PAC request an annual contribution of \$10 each, these are only suggestions. A member may contribute more or less than the amount suggested or may refuse to make any contribution and this will not affect his or her membership status, rights or benefits in NEA, WVEA, or any of their affiliates.

Federal law requires political committees to report the name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer for each individual whose contributions aggregate is in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. In accordance with the WVEA Bylaws, a WVEA contribution of nine dollars (\$9.00) for WVEA-PAC and one dollar (\$1.00) for the Ballot Initiative Fund (BIF) have been assessed as part of the WVEA dues. Any person wishing not to participate in WVEA-PAC or BIF should contact the WVEA office prior to November 1. Where objections are made, the member may choose to: (a) divert one or both of the assessments to the West Virginia Foundation for Improvement of Education, or (b) receive a rebate of either one or both of the assessments. Where objections are made the assessments will not be used for political purposes or ballot initiative purposes. If you wish to contribute to NEA-FCPE or to make an additional contribution to WVEA-PAC, or your local PAC, write the amount of your contribution in the appropriate box marked with an (*).

Dues payments and contributions to NEA-FCPE and WVEA-PAC are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Dues payments may be deductible as a miscellaneous itemized deduction.

Signing this form constitutes a binding contract to pay annual dues except by following the conditions set forth in the "continuing membership" statement above.

The undersigned becomes a member of the WVEA/NEA upon the date this form is signed.

Member Signature

Date
