



Contract Ratification Voting Opens Today

I think the weather forecasters got this one right, for a change. Hope you found time to relax.

As you finish your day, please be reminded that the window for contract ratification opens **today** at 5:00pm and will **close on Monday, February 20, 2023, at 5:00pm**. The link will come from me, but it is a simple one question survey from Survey Monkey. If you have not yet looked at the proposed language or watch the video you may do so at this link [Proposed Contract and Video Information](#). You must have your NSEA member identification number to view it. It typically starts with zeros and can be found on any edition of the “The Voice” mailing label.

PACE Committee

The in-person PACE committee that was scheduled for this evening has moved to an all zoom event. The meeting will start at 4:45pm. Senators John Cavanaugh and Megan Hunt will also be in attendance for our meeting tonight. Also in attendance will be Jason from the NSEA. PACE is open to all members of the OEA, and you are invited to attend. This

legislative session is a tough one for public education. Please take some time today to join us and see what Wes Jensen and his committee have put together for tonight's meeting. The following are links to the Zoom Meeting and a handout that will be used for the meeting. [February 2023 PACE Meeting](#) and [February PACE Meeting Handout](#).

General Elections

It is that time of year, time to elect members of the Omaha Education Association to represent its members at all levels – local, state and national. The election window will open on Monday, February 20, 2023, at 5:00pm and will close on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at 5:00pm.

The following candidates are running for the available positions within the OEA. The Vice President of Advocacy (3-year term), Middle School Board Representative (3-year term), Alternative Education / TAC (3-year term) and Representative Assembly Delegate (1 year term) for the NEA National Assembly.

Omaha Education Association Elections 2023 Vice President of Advocacy (vote for 1)

Kathy Poehling
Gina Quendensly
Christian Schuerman

Middle School Board Representative (vote for 1)

Andrew Hillmer
Amy Smith

Alternative Education TAC Board Representative (vote for 1)

Kim Gardiner
Shannon Heng

NEA Representative Assembly Candidates (vote for 13)

Paula Aguirre
Taralyn Brown
Katie Cameron
Diana Casey
Terri Childers
Kim Gardiner
Jim Goetz
Meeghan Hartfield
Shannon Heng
Andrew Hillmer
Wes Jensen
Faith Johnson
Tonja Jones Frank
Anne King
Kristy Lee
Gina Quendensly
Michelle Richards
Christian Schuerman
Amy Smith
Stacie Stevens
Edward Ventura

The following positions have been filled through the process acclamation

High School Board Representatives - 2 open position

Rae Carlson

Jim Goetz

Elementary Board Representatives - 2 open positions

Terri Childers

Amanda Kloke

NSEA Delegate Assembly Delegates - 44 open positions

Paula Aguirre

Katie Cameron

Rae Carlson

Diana Casey

Terri Childers

Molly Davies

Jana Deaver

Bosi Fang

Kim Gardiner

Jim Goetz

Meeghan Hartfield

Shannon Heng

Raquel Hermsillo

Andrew Hillmer

Summer Hospodka

Wes Jensen

Faith Johnson

Tonja Jones Frank

Anne King

Amanda Kloke

Lori Krebs

Kristy Lee

Josh McDougall

Kimberly Mefford

Lee Perez

Justin Potts

Carrie Pratt

Gina Quendensly

Michelle Richards

Jessica Schroer

Christian Schuerman

Amy Smith

Stacie Stevens

Edward Ventura

Jared Wagenknecht

Please take time to vote for the candidate you believe will best represent you and the OEA.

In solidarity,
Michelle

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