Report of NEA-Retired Directors
NEA Board of Directors Meeting
February 13, 2010 Conference Call & Webcast

Due to the snowstorm in Washington, DC, the NEA Board of Directors meeting and Gala were cancelled and replaced with a conference call and webcast on Saturday, February 13, 2010. There were 176 participants present for the meeting with 164 voting members present.

The Board took the following actions:

- Adopted the revised agenda and minutes from the Dec. Board meeting
- Approved the appointments to the Board Steering Committee and the NEA Resolutions Committee: **Linda Somo** will again serve as the retired representative on the Board Steering Committee and **Megan Lutz** was appointed to serve as the student representative on the Resolutions Committee for the remainder of this year to fill a vacancy
- Adopted the meeting schedule for the Board of Directors through the 2017-2018 school year, with the exception of October meeting dates in 2012, 2015, and 2017. These dates will be discussed further at the next Board meeting due to a request to change those Oct. meetings to Sept. meetings for campaign purposes.
- Adopted the dues for the 2010-2011 membership year: full time dues as set by formula for certified will be $166, full time ESP will pay $96.50, and all other categories will stay the same including **Retired dues which will remain $25 for Annual and $200 for Retired Life.** Projected dues for the 2011-2012 membership year will be $170 for active certified and $96.50 for active ESP.
- After lengthy discussion the Board voted to accept the report from the Advisory Committee on Membership, **but NOT to implement its recommendations on a proposed tiered dues structure.** Most Board members indicated a willingness to continue the discussion to find a way to make dues more equitable for all members, but rejected the proposal from the committee.
- Approved the Executive Committee recommendation that the Board of Directors take a position supporting Constitutional Amendment 1 and sponsor the Bylaw amendments necessary to implement Constitutional Amendment 1. Constitutional Amendment 1 would allow membership in NEA to active members who currently qualify for membership in their state affiliates, but cannot be members of NEA. It enables the state affiliate to be the "gatekeeper" of membership, so that any individual who qualifies for active membership within their state, can also qualify for active membership with NEA. Constitutional Amendment 1 and its enabling Bylaw Amendments will be voted on as a package at the NEA Representative Assembly this July in New Orleans. It will require a 2/3 vote in order to be implemented.

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Important Reminders

NEA-Retired West Regional Conference
Monday – Wednesday, April 12-14, 2010
Hyatt Regency Hotel, Minneapolis, MN

NEA-Retired East Regional Conference
Tuesday – Thursday, April 20 – 22, 2010
The Grove Park Inn Resort, Ashville, NC

See *This Active Life* for information.
Online registration only

Deadline for submission of NEA-Retired Distinguished Service Award
April 15, 2010