

Committee Descriptions

Listed below are the descriptions for the committees at the NEA RA along with the typical time commitment each requires. Please note that some committees meet prior to the start of the RA and some have specific time and event commitments.

We **strongly encourage** all delegates to sign up for a committee. When you register, you may indicate up to three committees on which you are willing to serve. Final committee assignments will be made by President Ron Duff Martin based on selections received by May 15th. At the bottom of the committee descriptions, you will be asked for your first, second, and third choices. Delegates will be notified by President Martin when the final committee selections are made. **Delegates are typically only assigned one committee.**

Constitution Committee

This committee makes recommendations to the delegation on proposed amendments to the NEA Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Rules.

Time Commitment:

Members of the committee attend the Constitution and Bylaws Open Hearing as scheduled by the NEA. The committee will also meet at least one time prior to making recommendations to the WEAC delegation.

Delegate Coordination/Attendance Committee

This committee is responsible for taking daily attendance of all delegates at caucus meetings and on the RA floor. It is responsible for relaying caucus positions by carrying signs on the RA floor via the white boards and other forms of communication for our Wisconsin Delegation. Delegate Coordinators serve as contacts to the WEAC Officers for issues that may arise on the floor with our delegation.

Time Commitment:

Members of this committee need to be in attendance at least a half hour before each caucus meeting and must be on the RA floor at all times.

Hospitality Committee

This committee helps with social activities for the delegation including distribution of tickets and special materials, and helping with the State Night Activity.

Time Commitment:

Members of this committee need to volunteer to help with activities scheduled throughout the RA.

Interview Committee

This committee interviews all candidates for NEA office prior to the first session of the RA and reports its findings to the delegation. The committee may make recommendations for endorsement of a candidate(s) to the delegation.

Time Commitment:

Members of this committee will conduct several of the interviews prior to the NEA RA and should be available via conference call during scheduled interviews that will most likely occur in early June. The remaining interviews will occur the afternoon of the day prior to the first caucus.

Legislative Committee

The members of this committee reviews and makes recommendations to the delegation on the NEA Legislative Program and proposed amendments and make recommendations to the delegation.

Time Commitment:

Members of this committee attend the Legislative Open Hearing scheduled by NEA. The committee meets to make recommendations to the WEAC delegation

NEA Fund for Children and Public Education

This committee is responsible for collecting monies for the NEA Fund for Children and Public Education and assisting with WEAC's on-site fundraiser, the Silent Auction.

Time Commitment:

Members of this committee should be prepared to work daily at the caucus meetings collecting money and assist with the fundraiser.

New Business Item Committee

This committee reviews all new business items. The New Business Item Committee (we divide the committee into two committees) will make recommendations to the delegation. While on the floor the RA members of the NBI Committee will make recommendations on amendments to NBIs.

Time Commitment:

Since most new business items are not printed and ready until after the RA begins, this committee has met at 6:00 a.m. before the caucus meeting on a daily basis during the RA.

New Delegate Committee

This committee is for veteran delegates only as they assist new members in every activity at the convention (i.e., registering at the convention site, attending caucus meetings, voting, etc.). Each veteran member of this committee will be assigned as a mentor to one or more new delegates.

Time Commitment:

Prior to the RA, you will be asked to contact our new delegates. Ongoing - members will be paired up with a new member for the duration of the convention.

State Contact Team

You will be assigned a grouping of states to connect with and learn about their state associations. You will be asked at times to get information in regard to NBIs and other action items that come before the delegation.

Time Commitment:

State contacts are given an in-service after the first caucus at the convention site. They may also stay following the caucuses on business session days for instructions on items to be shared with other states. Team members make their contacts at the beginning of RA business days. During the course of the day, contacts from other states may come to our delegation to find you.

NEA Strategic Plan and Budget Review

This committee makes recommendations to the delegation on the NEA proposed budget.

Time Commitment:

Meets and attends open hearings on Strategic Plan and Budget scheduled by the NEA.

Wisconsin Delegation Review Committee

This committee makes recommendations on NEA amended or proposed policies. The committee will also review all NBIs and any amendments to Resolutions and the Legislative Agenda submitted by a Wisconsin delegate. The responsibility of the committee is to assist and support WEAC delegates.

Time Commitment:

Meets regularly and as needed.