

NEA Governance

Representative Assembly

The Representative Assembly is the primary legislative and policymaking body of the Association. It derives its powers from and is responsible to the membership. The Representative Assembly adopts the strategic plan and budget, resolutions, the Legislative Program, and other policies of the Association. Delegates vote by secret ballot on proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws. Those delegates with full voting rights elect the executive officers, Executive Committee members, and at-large members of the NEA Board of Directors as appropriate.

The Representative Assembly consists of some 9,000 delegates representing local and state affiliates, Student members, Retired members, and other segments of the united education profession. Further information on the Representative Assembly is contained in Article III of the Constitution and in Bylaw 3.

Executive Officers

The executive officers of the Association are the president, vice president, and secretary-treasurer. They are elected by the Representative Assembly and are subject to the policies established by the Representative Assembly, Board of Directors, and Executive Committee. They derive their authority from Article IV of the Constitution and Bylaw 4. They have offices at NEA Headquarters in

Washington, D.C., and travel extensively for the Association.

The president is the chief executive officer and official spokesperson of the Association. The president presides at meetings of the Representative Assembly, Board of Directors, and Executive Committee and performs other duties as defined in the Constitution and Bylaws.

The vice president acts for the president when the president is unable to perform the duties of the office. The vice president serves on the Committee on Program and Budget and performs such other duties as are stipulated in the Constitution and Bylaws or assigned by the president.

The secretary-treasurer receives all funds and is responsible for their safekeeping and accounting. The secretary-treasurer serves as chairperson of the Committee on Program and Budget and performs such other duties as are stipulated in the Constitution and Bylaws or assigned by the president. Information on the qualifications, election, terms, and powers and duties of the executive officers is contained in Article IV of the Constitution and Bylaw 4.

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