New Business Item

- Asks NEA to take action
- Phrased as "NEA shall" or "NEA will"
- Specifies exactly what the maker wants NEA to do
- Does not repeat work in the Strategic Plan and Budget
- Addresses issues related to more than one affiliate
- Does not ask NEA to lobby on federal legislation (see leg amendment below)
- Addresses something NEA can control or influence (Special Interest Caucuses and Councils are separate entities that NEA does not control)

Legislative Amendment

- Proposes to amend the NEA Legislative Program
- Phrased as "NEA supports" or "NEA opposes"
- Addresses an issue that can be covered by federal legislation
- Does not name specific bills, but rather general issues
- Does not ask NEA to take action ("NEA will lobby" is assumed)

Resolutions Amendment

- Proposes to amend the NEA Resolutions
- Sets out a belief statement
- Phrased as "NEA believes," "NEA supports" or "NEA opposes"
- Does not ask NEA to take action

Policy Statement Amendment

- Proposes to amend one of NEA's Policy Statements
- Does not ask NEA to take action