MNEA Fall Representative Assembly   November 23, 2019

By the numbers:
• Attendance: 296
• Voting strength: 278
• Locals: 52
• Pre-RA Attendance: 125
• PAC donations: $5454
• HOPE donations: $5725
• Socks collected: >1,000

Delegates Adopt Legislative Platform and Amendments to MNEA Bylaws & Constitution.

RA delegates approved proposed changes and updates to the 2020 Legislative Platform. The Legislative Platform outlines our priorities for the upcoming legislative session. Delegates also approved the addition of a permanent Ethnic-Minority seat on the MNEA Board of Directors.

“The power of Missouri NEA is our members. The power of our members is Missouri NEA. We are most powerful when we work together at the local level.”

-President Phil Murray

Leadership and Staff report
Association Strength

Delegates received reports from President Phil Murray (the importance of local strength and leadership), Vice President McIntosh (MNEAleads on social media and leadership work in locals), and NEA Director Guess (www.strongpublicschools.org). Executive Director DeeAnn Aull reported on the progress of the HB1413 legal proceedings, advocacy work in locals, year-round organizing, and work with coalition partners on ballot initiatives. Legislative Director Otto Fajen reported on potential issues in the upcoming legislative session around the state budget, charter school expansion and policy, and attacks on CLEAN requirements. Mark Jones, political director, shared information about recent successful back-home visit training and work that is beginning for the election cycle.

Leila Medley Quality Local Association Award Winners:
Gold Level: SDNEA, MNEA-R
Silver Level: Columbia NEA, Ferguson-Florissant NEA, Hazelwood NEA
LMQLA winners were honored during the RA luncheon. President Murray also recognized the work and involvement of our ethnic minority members. Special honorees: Jo Wanda Bozeman, Joyce Bluett, Carmen Hill, Monica Miller, Shenee McCoy, and Christina Melly.

Election results:
NEA Director: Andy Slaughter
PAC Executive Council:
GD 1 – Rebecca Portwood
GD 2 – Joel Slingerland
GD 4 – Dr. Senta Wright
GD 8 – Abbie-Marie Carr
GD 9 – Irvin Chuck Howard
GD 10 – Anita Kuehner
Higher Ed – Emily Neal

Christina Melly, Ritenour NEA, honored with Shirley Cromer Leadership Award

MNEA Spring RA
April 25-26, 2020
Margaritaville Lake Resort

Photos at: https://www.flickr.com/photos/mnealeads/
https://www.flickr.com/photos/mnea
Follow MNEAleads on Facebook
Leave your RA feedback and ideas: https://forms.gle/8yYr6fhhqWJb9c9wAw7