# NWOEA FALL NEWSLETTER

## September / 2020

Dr. Jill Biden –

"I have always loved the sounds of the classroom...But this quiet is heavy. The rooms are dark as the bright young faces that should fill them are now confined to boxes on a computer screen...the frustration of parents juggling work while they support their children's learning...afraid that their kids might get sick from school." "Being a teacher is not what I do, its who I am!"



### Local Leader/ZOOM Grants

The Professional Development Committee (PDC) of the Northwestern Ohio Education Association is proud to announce the offering of Local Leader Grants for the 2020-21 school year to assist local leaders with member outreach and engagement activities in their respective locals. NWOEA will pay up to \$300 per local association for the actual expenses incurred for member outreach and engagement activities until the funds are exhausted.

The intent of this funding is to provide opportunities for local association leaders to reach out and engage with their membership to best meet the current needs of their association. Recognizing that the needs of our locals vary, funds could be used in a variety of areas such as: providing compensation for a substitute to allow the local leader to meet with/visit members during the school day, early educator events, pay day celebrations, food for members while conducting building visits, member events, member birthday recognition, release time to discuss the importance of FCPE participation with members, materials needed to conduct one-on-one conversations, etc.

THE PLAN MUST BE **COVID** RELATED AT THIS TIME! This grant may never be used for attendance incentives such as gift cards, which by IRS definition are **TAXABLE** income.

This grant is to be used for Presidents and locals to perform their jobs better during this Era of COVID. It can be used for release time for the president to leave their classroom to visit members during the day for things such as taking a look at the members' working and safety conditions or to try to improve the online classroom experience for students. It may also be used to pay for a ZOOM subscription for your local.

Again, this grant is to be related to COVID activities, visitations, and meetings at this time.

Locals may submit one (1) Local Leader Grant per school year. The PDC will review applications monthly and decide on approval or denial of the grant applications. The deadlines for the 2020-2021 school year are as follows: September 1, October 1, November 1, December 1, January 1, February 1, March 1, April 1, May 1, June 1 and July 1. Please plan ahead and adjust your schedule accordingly. Applications will be approved or denied, and local leaders will be notified of their status by the 15th of each month.

After the outreach and engagement activities have been completed, the evaluation document and expense report (sent with approval notice) must be completed and the final cost report with copies of receipts are to be forwarded to the NWOEA Center. Once these materials have been approved and accepted, a reimbursement check for the actual expenses up to the approved amount will be issued to the local association.

#### **NWOEA Board of Directors**

President-Jennifer Long Vice President-Jennifer Gent Secretary-Angela Dittman Past President-Jerry Schlick OEA UI-Kelly Duwve NW U1-Miki Hodge NW U1-September Killy NW U1-Adrienne Goldberg OEA U2-Brenda Ames NW U2-Kim Amerson NW U2-Paulette Boes NW U2-Deb Stetler OEA U3-Tim Davis NW U3-Dan Corfman NW U3-Donald Jones NW U3-Stephanie Myers Minority Rep-Leigh Alvarado ESP Rep-Vacancy OEA-R Sue Cramer Ohio Aspiring Educator -Vac NEADirector-Dan Greenberg Exec Director-Tim Myers

#### NWOEA Fall Workshop

The NWOEA Professional Development Committee would like to invite you and your members to our upcoming district-wide Fall Workshop on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 VIA ZOOM. The log-in information will be sent after registration is confirmed.

The 2020 Fall Workshop features five break-out sessions designed to appeal to differing interests and covering a variety of topics centered on today's COVID Era – STRS/Early Retirement, Leaves and Absences, OTES in 20/21, Remote Learning/Technology, and Educator Mindfullness.

Although there is no cost for the Fall Workshop, registration is required. The registration deadline is Monday, October 12, 2020. Registration forms are available online at NWOEA.ohea.us.

A flier advertising the workshop will be sent soon. We would appreciate your posting the flier and sharing the workshop information with your association members. The registration form may be reproduced as needed. Please contact the NWOEA Center (nwoea.center@gmail.com or 419-424-1708) if you have any questions or concerns

#### NWOEA PR Grant

The Public Relations Committee is offering grants to be used for either professional development or public relations of the local. Grants up to \$500 will be evaluated individually by the NWOEA PR Committee until a total of \$5,000 has been awarded. Grants will be awarded on a first come, first served basis. The application deadline is Friday, October 30, 2020. Check the NWOEA web page for an application. Your local must meet the following criteria:

- 1) Attend and vote at both the Fall OEA Representative Assembly and the Spring OEA Representative Assembly
- 2) Attend and vote at NWOEA RA
- 3) Hold a successful FCPE Drive
- 4) Attend two NWOEA Events
- Jennifer Long, NWOEA President



#### Other Grants Available

Graduate Memorial Scholarship

Local Awards

AOI Scholarships

NEA Summit

Information will be sent in November

Jennifer Gent, NWOEA Vice President



Angela Dittman Secretary



Jerry Schlick Past President



#### **Engage Grant**

If your local has not sent a delegate to the OEA Representative Assembly in the previous two school years, your local may be eligible to receive funding to send someone.

This NWOEA Engage Grant provides funding to reimburse up to \$250 for overnight lodging and/or for mileage to the OEA Spring RA for one delegate from your local. Mileage will be paid at the IRS rate and lodging receipt is required for total reimbursement of up to \$250. Any delegate interested in applying for this grant should submit a letter of interest including delegate contact information and local association president's signature. The letter should be sent by March 26, 2021, to the NWOEA Center, 101 W. Sandusky Street, Suite 302, Findlay, OH 45840 or emailed to nwoeacenter@gmail.com. More information is available at nwoea.ohea.us.

If you have any questions, please call the NWOEA Center at 1-800-366-9632.

# NWOEA 2020 - 2021 Calendar

#### <u>2020</u>

Monday, September 21	Resolutions Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:30 PM
Tuesday, September 22	Board of Directors Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:30 PM
Thursday, October 1	Awards Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:00 PM
Tuesday, October 6	Constitution & Bylaws Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:30 PM
Monday, October 19	Internal Affairs Committee Meeting (Tent)	NWOEA Center 5:00 PM
Tuesday, October 20	Fall Workshop	TBD 5:15 PM
Monday, October 26	Board of Directors Meeting (Parade tent on 27th)	NWOEA Center 5:30 PM
Friday, October 30	Deadline for submitting NWOEA PR Grants	
Monday, November 9	NWOEA-R Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 11:30AM
Monday, November 9	Public Relations Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:30 PM
Tuesday, November 10	Professional Development Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:30 P
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Tuesday, January 5	Constitution & Bylaws Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:30 PM
Tuesday, January 12	(Tentative) Board of Directors Mtg.	NWOEA Center 5:30 PM
Thursday, January 14	Deadline for submitting NWOEA Award Nomination	ions
Monday, January 18	Deadline for submitting NWOEA Graduate	
	Memorial Scholarship Applications	
Tuesday, January 19	Awards Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:00 PM
Monday, January 25	Budget Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:00 PM
Monday, February 1	Deadline for election of NWOEA delegates & alter	mates
Monday, February 1	Resolutions Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:30 PM
Thursday, February 4	Scholarship Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:30 PM
Monday, February 10	Deadline for submitting NWOEA delegates and	
	alternates to the NWOEA Center	
Sunday, February 14	Deadline for filing letters of intent for NWOEA	
	Officers and Board of Directors	
Tuesday, February 16	Nominating & Elections Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:00 PM
Tuesday, February 16	Board of Directors Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:30 PM
Tuesday, February 23	PDC Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:30 PM
Tuesday, March 2	NWOEA Awards banquet	TBD
Thursday, March 4	Scholarship Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:00 PM
Wednesday, March 8	NWOEA-R Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 11:30AM
Tuesday, March 16	Internal Affairs Committee Meeting	NWOEA Center 5:00 PM
Thursday, March 18	Convention Planning & Credentials Com. Mtg.	NWOEA Center 5:00 PM
Friday, March 26	Deadline for submitting Local Delegate Assistance	
Wednesday, March 21	to OEA Spring RA Engage Grant	NUVOEA Conton has 5:00 DM
Wednesday, March 31	Delegate default elections results	NWOEA Center by 5:00 PM
Thursday, April 15	Constitution and Bylaws Committee	TBD 5:00 PM
Thursday, April 15	Representative Assembly	TBD 5:00 PM
Thursday, April 15	OEA Delegate Briefing held concurrently with RA	
June TBD	Board of Directors Year-End/Planning Meeting	To be decided
Tuesday, July 20	PDC Meeting	To be decided
Tuesday, July 20	Treasurer's Workshop	To be decided
		Adopted: June 3, 2020