

## NJEA Officers Nominated for Re-election

**President** Marie Blistan, **Vice President** Sean Spiller and **Secretary-Treasurer** Steve



Beatty are running for their second, two-year term for their current positions. All three officers continue to lead NJEA members, focusing on securing legislation to benefit our public schools, provide Chapter 78 relief, and to protect our ESPs.

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**Sue McBride**  
BCEA President



**Andrew Policastro**  
BCEA 1st Vice President  
Tenafly EA



**Esther Fletcher**  
BCEA 2nd Vice President  
BCVTS EA



**Jennifer Clemen**  
BCEA Secretary-Treasurer  
Englewood EA

**President** Sue McBride, **1st Vice President** Andy Policastro, **2nd Vice President** Esther Fletcher and **Treasurer** Jenn Clemen were nominated to run for another, three-year term in their current positions at the Nomination Meeting on February 5th. No other nominations were made. All four officers are proud to represent our Bergen County members.

**We are especially proud of our Chapter 78/ESP Job Justice Legislative Teams.** These BCEA members met with our Bergen County State legislators to share their stories and to help our representatives understand the importance of co-sponsoring these bills. Bergen County has 12 legislators, the largest number of any county in the state. Our teams contacted every office, scheduled meetings, and gained co-sponsorship and/or commitments to support these bills from senators and assembly representatives alike. **Bergen does it right!**

NO CONTEST NJEA DELEGATE ASSEMBLY

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NO CONTEST BCEA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE POSITIONS

Chapter 78 forces educators to make Health Benefit contributions at a rate that increases faster than our salaries increase. We cannot afford to continue to lose take-home pay each year. S2606 and A4352 will CAP these contributions.



There are several ESP bills preventing districts from privatizing mid-contract and requiring due process for our Educational Support Professionals: S296/A3185/A3395 and S3089/A3664.

## Here's how you can TAKE ACTION to help:

Attend a Lobby Day with NJEA members in Trenton to move our bills forward:



### FEBRUARY

Monday, Feb. 25

### MARCH

Monday, Mar. 4, 11, 18, & 25

Thursday, Mar. 7, & 14

Please register with Iris Star at [istar@njea.org](mailto:istar@njea.org)

Continue supporting NEA #redforded days on NJEA designated "Worth It Wednesdays". Take pictures and post them on social media along with #fixtheunfairness



Keep an eye out for ways to:



Contact your Uniserv Representative to get postcards for members to put pressure on legislative committees to move these bills out of committee.

SENATE PRESIDENT STEVE SWEENEY stated that he will not release these bills for a vote, blocking our democratic process. He needs to know that we will not give up.

- Thank legislators for co-sponsoring these bills.
- Encourage more legislators to co-sponsor and support these bills.
- Attend the Legislative Dinner on April 3rd to thank legislators and encourage others to co-sponsor.
- Participate in NJEA Take Action activities with your local.