9/13/16 Vice President's Report:

NEA RA:

In July I attended NEA Representative Assembly for the first time. It was a powerful and educational experience to see thousands of other members of our union together in one place. Please see me (or another delegate from KEA who went if you have questions or want more information.

Direct Deduction of Dues:

At our June meeting the executive board approved setting up a committee (Amanda M., Mike M. and myself) to further research switching from our current system of dues collection to a direct deposit system through a credit union similar to what some other EAs are using. After looking into it more this summer, we decided that at this point the potential downsides of switching outweigh the benefits, so we are continuing with the current system. We will continue to explore options and look for ways to improve it.

New Hire Organizing:

17 of us were trained by an NEA organizer on how we can increase KEA's power by engaging potential new members, conducting one on one conversations with current members about what they want and how they can get more involved in our union.

Dues Report:

Total Possible Members: 769

Members in Good Standing: 713

(includes 18 members on payment plans)

Members Not in Good Standing: 37 (including new hires who haven't completely signed up)

Opt outs: 19

New Hires Not yet signed up: 11

Membership Percentage (members / possible members, including new hires who haven't completely signed up): 750/769= 98%

Members in Good Standing Percentage (members in good standing/all members): 713/750= 95%