## October President's Report

- Upcoming KPS School Board Elections
  - KEA screened all 6 candidates and recommends George White & Lauren Freedman. Both stand for social justice and our students
- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the new NCLB
  - We need to give input now, in order to make sure our kids get what they need.
  - Look for a survey from KEA and then an invite to form a committee
- Want to save \$30?
  - o Members who pay dues in full by Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> will get a \$30 rebate!
- Walk Ins October 6<sup>th</sup> went great!
  - o All 26 schools took a stand for "The Schools Our Students Deserve!"
  - o Adequate funding, less testing and more time to learn
- Need a sub?
  - o HR suggests putting in your request early (even the day before), which will result in a higher chance your request gets filled.
  - o If you end up not needing the sub, HR will send the person elsewhere.
- Teacher Evaluation Law Changes Rolled Out by District
  - District has updated their evaluation Framework to what they believe meets the changes in the MI School Code Sections 380.1248 and 380.1249. Go to our website to view checklists of the laws. <a href="https://www.kalamazooea.org">www.kalamazooea.org</a>
- 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Records Committee
  - o This committee submitted a proposal as their goal to fix the records day problem
- Hard Copy Contract
  - o District will print and send you your hard copy if you ordered one.
  - o Go to our website to view.
- Upcoming MESSA meetings
  - o Dates are Oct. 13 and 26 at The KAMSC Presentation Room (3pm and 4:30pm)
  - o Please read The Money Matters document written by Mike Milka
  - Open enrollment starts Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Look for an email from Heather Hayner.
- Are you a part of the "U" in your union?
  - o KEA needs every member to make us strong and build power. We want you to be the U in union.
  - What one thing can you do for your union this year? Make a small commitment and make KEA stronger!