OEA MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT 2023-2024

Monthly Membership Guide & Updates For Local Association Leaders

June 30, 2024

July Reminders:

- 30th—Dues payment to OEA. (Remember to include your local's 4-digit ID number on your check payments.)
- Update and return the Dues Transmittal Agreement.
- Office closed Thursday, July 4th

Reference documents available to you on the OEA Website under Resources/ OEA Secretary/ Treasurer page:

- ⇒ 24-25 Local Treasurer's Handbook
- ⇒ Monthly Treasurer's Memos (past 12 months)
- ⇒ 24-25 Dues Rates and Pro-Rate Dues Tables
- ⇒ Forms for reconciliation
- ⇒ Membership Update form

OEA Office Summer Hours:

(From 6/1/2024 - 8/31/2024)

8:15 AM - 4:30 PM

Contact Center InfOEA remains 8:30 AM—5:00 PM

The June 2024 billing statement is now available for your review in the eBilling Portal, https://ims.nea.org/ebilling/. The most current roster is available on the eBilling portal and is accessible at any time. Please be sure to take time to thoroughly review your billing statement and membership roster in order to reconcile your membership information.

Dues Payments Continue During The Summer Months

As summer approaches and the end of the current school year is in sight, we wanted to take this opportunity to mention the schedule of dues payments. As a reminder, your locals dues obligation is based on the Dues Transmittal Agreement on file with OEA. The dues transmittal agreement establishes your billing cycle. If the transmittal agreement includes "summer months" you will receive billing statements for these months and payments are required even when school is not in session. In order to avoid penalties, please be sure to keep your payments in line with your billing cycle. The new ePay option should help make this easier! If you have any questions, please contact the Membership department Monday—Friday 8:30 AM—5:00 PM.

A second shipment shipped via UPS directly from our print vendor and includes a limited supply of blank enrollment forms along with the pre-printed Renewal forms. *Please note: We are no longer providing the individual mailing envelopes for renewal enrollments which were previously provided during the Covid Pandemic.*

A third package containing the OEA Fund contribution forms will arrive later this summer. As a reminder, OEA Fund contributions can be made online at www.ohea.org and select "Donate". **Do not return OEA Fund contribution forms with membership materials.**

- Be sure to notify your local President when you have received your enrollment materials and the OEA Fund contribution forms.
- In Lieu of the paper enrollment form, OEA offers convenient <u>Online Enrollment</u>. The online module is very
 easy to use and requires only a few clicks and can be accessed via the OEA website at: www.ohea.org/
 why_belong. (See below for additional details.)



Thanks for your continued efforts and support.

If you have questions or concerns please contact us by e-mail: membership@ohea.org Or by telephone: InfOEA (844) 632-4636

Join Now Online Enrollment

Access Join Now via the OEA website: www.ohea.org/why_belong. Once on the "Why Belong" web page the new member will select the "Join Now" button and will immediately begin the enrollment process. Upon completion of their enrollment, the new member will be provided a confirmation reflecting the information they submitted along with their new member ID number. This confirmation will be sent directly to the member via their email address and a copy will be sent to the OEA Membership Department. An electronic roster of all online enrollments will be sent directly to the appropriate Local Treasurer's email of record as new members join. For questions or additional information, please call membership at 1-844-632-4636 or membership@ohea.org.

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Questions?

What are all these forms I have received and how are they used by OEA?

Dues Transmittal Agreement

The Dues Transmittal Agreement provides OEA with the date range of your locals payroll deductions. This allows OEA to set up your billing cycle for the year based upon the number of members in the local and the number of payroll deductions. The agreement is an annual contract between the local and OEA. If no update is received, OEA bases billing on prior year payroll dates. (See pg 1-21 of the Treasurer's Handbook for additional information) This form is to be updated and returned by September 30, 2024.

IRS-990 Verification Form

♦ IRS 990 Verification form shows that the local is tax exempt and is proof that the local has filed exempt status with the IRS. This must be submitted annually to the IRS and OEA. (See pg 0-4 of the Treasurer's Handbook for additional information) Please consider filing early as the IRS website is typically down in December and early January for tax updates.

Continuous Roster

- ♦ This is a listing of the local's members on record where membership automatically rolls forward from year to year. It allows the local to make updates (such as cancellations, change to membership type, administrative updates, building change) to the member records. This is critical as the billing for a local is based upon the number of members. If OEA is not notified of cancellations, the local continues to be billed for that individual. (See pg 1-12 through 1-17 of the Treasurer's Handbook for additional information)
- All members who wish to cancel their membership and become a non-member need to inform you of this desire by August 31, 2024. (See pg 1-31 of the Treasurer's Handbook for additional information)

Enrollment Summary/Potential Count Form

- Potential Membership Count is the total count of every employee position which is in your defined bargaining unit and eligible for membership. Therefore, this count includes those individuals who are members and non-members. Your Payroll or Human Resource Department should have this number available for your local's use. Please verify the number from your Payroll or Human Resource Department before providing the information.
- Please continue to report any new election results to your OEA field office with name, address, non-work phone number and a non-work e-mail
 address prior to the end of July. Advising your OEA Field Office immediately of any change to your local leadership along with providing a nonwork e-mail address and a non-work phone number for all local leaders helps support OEA's efforts in timely communication.

If you are an outgoing Treasurer:

- Review Duties and Responsibilities with the new Treasurer (Treasurer's duties should be outlined in your local's constitution and bylaws. Additional guidelines can be found in the OEA Treasurer's Handbook in the Quick Reference section.)
- ⇒ Forward the Treasurer's Handbook with any notations you have made
- ⇒ Discuss Bank Account Signature and Access Changes
- ⇒ Review budget
- ⇒ Complete Change of Address for: Bank, School District and IRS.
- ⇒ Attend an OEA Treasurer's Workshop together

Miscellaneous:

ATTENTION NEW TREASURERS!

Are you new to being a Treasurer? Want to learn more about being a Treasurer and have the opportunity to have your questions answered? Make sure to sign up for a Treasurer's workshop, coming up this summer! You may attend any workshop you choose. Hint: Novice workshops are designed especially for our new Treasurers!

2024 District Treasurer's Workshops

The following OEA District Treasurer's Workshops have been scheduled and are open to other Leaders in your Local:

ECOEA on June 25, 2024: WOEA on July 11, 2024 (Novice and Experienced): NWOEA on July 16, 2024: NEOEA Novice on July 17, 2024 and Experienced on July 18, 2024: SEOEA on July 25, 2024 (Novice and Experienced): EOEA on August 1, 2024 Virtual (Novice and Experienced): SWOEA on August 5, 2024 Virtual option (Novice and Experienced): NCOEA on August 6, 2024 Virtual (Novice and Experienced).

***PLEASE CONFIRM WITH YOUR LOCAL DISTRICT REGARDING RECENT CHANGES TO THESE SCHEUDLED DATES. VIRTUAL SES-SIONS HAVE BEEN NOTED ABOVE.