

The EAA Bulletin

Important Dates

- June 9th—EAA Board of Directors Meeting at John Adams
- June 15th @ 4:45pm ACPS Retirement Ceremony
- June 24th—Last Day of School
- July 1-8th—NEA Representative Assembly
- July 19-22nd—Local Officers Retreat & Reggie Smith Organizing School

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But we need your help! If you have a newsworthy items to include in a future issue, please send a write up or ideas to

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Alexandria Delegates at the VEA Convention

by Ashley Taliaferro (Douglas MacArthur)

As a first time delegate to the VEA convention, I wasn't sure what to expect. I had been sure to ask questions and get any necessary information from a veteran of EAA/VEA affairs, but I still had heaps of questions that could only be answered by experience.

Upon arrival at the first business session I was amazed by the number of people in attendance. There were so many educators from across the commonwealth of Virginia present. I loved that all areas of education were represented- from administrators to custodial workers. During business sessions we were seated by VEA District. We sat with District H which includes Alexandria, Arlington, Falls Church, Manassas City, and Manassas Park. I learned about new business items and how they are introduced to the "floor." I can't say that any new business items really stood out to me, but just hearing all the ideas delegates had about how to make the education system better was eye opening.

By the end of the convention I was really enlightened by all of the new information I had learned and excited to share my experience with fellow educators. I am certainly returning next year!

EAA Bylaws Revisions Approved!

The EAA Bylaws were recently revised and presented to the General Membership for review and approval by ballot. Ballots were received in the office, counted & verified by the Elections Credentials Committee and approved by EAA Board of Directors at their May 19th meeting.

There were 332 votes cast—329 in the positive and 3 in the negative. In order to be approved, two-thirds of those voting must vote in the positive. The revisions passed with a 99% approval rating. The EAA Board of Directors thanks the Bylaws Committee for their hard work.

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VEA Reggie Smith Organizing School July 19—July 22, 2016 - Register now!

Join your colleagues for three great days of fun and learning at the **Reggie Smith Organizing School**. The 2016 theme is “Educate, Organize, Celebrate.”

New this year, you will have the option to check-in on Tuesday, July 19 from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm or Wednesday, July 20 from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm. On July 19, from 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm, join us for the Krewe Carnival featuring fun, games and fellowship! This is an optional event.

This year’s training is July 20-22, 2016, at the University of Richmond. You’ll join colleagues for in-depth training on organizing, political action, and other topics. In our New Orleans-inspired setting, you’ll also participate in a masquerade ball!

The training is based on six themes listed on the [VEA website](#). When you register, you’ll select one theme as your concentration. We encourage you to bring a “krewe” (team) from your Local.

Registration opened online **May 2** and will close on **July 1**.

Click here to [register now!](#)

Questions? Call VEA at

