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## FROM THE SCOPE PRESIDENT

We have entered in to the final fiscal year of our current contract. SCOPE has organized its negotiating team for 2015. Serving on the team for 2015 are: Vice President Betsy Lavinder (DYS Indian River), Secretary Diane Prettyman (DRC Ohio Reformatory for Women), Treasurer Marianne Huffman (DRC Pickaway Correctional), Jen Behary (Ohio School for the Deaf), Chris Ross (Ohio State School for the Blind), Evan Struble (State Library), and myself, along with Kerri Hoover, **OEA Labor Relations** Consultant. In addition, Jack Rosenberry (DRC Belmont Correctional) will lead the bargaining support committee. Jack will be taking requests through the end of November 2014 for those individuals who wish to be on the committee. This committee will be asked to formulate and administer surveys, mailings, and member to member communication. It will involve driving long distances to spread the word

and keep members updated as well as collecting members' input. If you are interested, contact Jack at JLR4442003@yahoo.com

It is my understanding that the state will first bargain with OCSEA beginning in December. SCOPE will go in May as our contract is the last to expire. Next year we will host town hall meetings in key regions around the state. Be sure your site rep has your home e-mail address so that this communication can be forwarded to you. The officers will notify the department reps who in turn will notify the site reps of all schedules and your site rep should contact you through e-mail.

Our new electronic grievance system is up and running. All site reps were trained in the process and the transition has been relatively smooth. You can now file grievances from home, on weekends, in the



All Grievances must be filed online now.

evening, and even while you are at work. The new site is located at:

http://ohgreivance.secure.force.com/ AppLogin/SiteLogin

Information on how the system works and an FAQ Webinar is located at:

http://das.ohio.gov/
Divisions/
CollectiveBargaining/
OCBForms.aspx

This link has also been posted on the SCOPE website. The new system automatically files your grievance at Step 2, so there is no need to send

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SCOPE General
Membership Meeting

Dayton Marriott
Tuesday, September 9
5:00 pm
1414 South Patterson
Blvd

At the CEA Conference

Dayton, OH

Tuition Reimbursement

SCOPE doesn't manage tuition reimbursement.

Contact DAS on the web at

edf.ohio.gov and apply on line. You have just 60 days from completing your activity to apply.

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### FROM THE SCOPE SECRETARY

We hope to see most of you at the CEA meeting in Dayton on September 8-10. There will be an all member meeting on Tuesday September 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm. Look for posted signs for the location.

Your site rep has all of the current materials distributed by OEA. If you have not received them, please let me know.

OEA had a Leadership Conference at the beginning of August. Those in attendance were Dominic, Betsy, Marianne, Jack Rosenberry, Tammy Koontz and myself. We were given a lot of valuable information as we prepare for a very important bargaining year. In addition, we also went to a Bargaining conference in July hosted by Central OEA. Kerri Hoover, our OEA labor representative was present, and we had a lot of discussion with her about negotiations. Chris Ross, one of our new members on the executive board from

Ohio State School for the Blind also joined us.

The executive board met Friday evening August 22<sup>nd</sup> and on August 23<sup>rd</sup>, we held site rep training at the OEA facility.

Minutes of all board meetings are available to members once they are approved by the executive board. Email me at <a href="mailto:dcpretty@sbcglobal.net">dcpretty@sbcglobal.net</a> for copy.



Membership forms need mailed to OEA and Diane

All site reps are asked to schedule at least four labor/management meetings each year. Now is a good time to bring up inclement weather and flexing for such. See if your site can have a workable and agreeable plan ahead of time. Also, classroom temperature is an issue that should be addressed by site.

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documents through certified mail. If you need help contact grievance chair Betsy Lavinder or your site rep. Newer site reps can be easily trained.

Finally, thank you for all that you do; I hope you have a productive school year.

In Solidarity,

Dominic Marsano, SCOPE President

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The deadline to register for the upcoming Gubernatorial elections is OCTOBER 6th in order to vote in

the November General Elections.

Election Day is November 4th!

Register today and invite a family member or friend to do so!