

2018 NEA Bylaw Amendments

[Bylaw Amendment 1](#)

DEEMED TO HAVE FAILED

To create a new membership category of “Community Ally” and charge the NEA Board of Directors with establishing the dues, benefits, and services for such members, while preserving NEA governance positions for education professionals and active equivalents.

[Bylaw Amendment 2](#)

ADOPTED

To replace the word student with the term “Aspiring Educator” when referring to student members.

[Bylaw Amendment 3](#)

ADOPTED

To provide for inclusion of one state affiliate president on the NEA Committee on Program and Budget.

[Bylaw Amendment 4](#)

ADOPTED

To replace language requiring the scheduling of an open hearing on the proposed budget during the Annual Meeting with language permitting the scheduling of such a hearing following Board transmission of the budget to affiliates and others.

[Constitutional Amendment 1](#)

DEFEATED

To open NEA membership to public education allies while preserving NEA governance positions for education professionals and active equivalents.

Constitutional Amendment 2

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION, BYLAWS AND RULES

To change the allocation of delegates to the Representative Assembly.

Constitutional Amendment 3

ADOPTED

To replace the word “student” with the term “Aspiring Educator” when referring to student members.

Constitutional Amendment 4

WITHDRAWN

Constitutional Amendment 5

DEFEATED

To establish the Representative Assembly as the only body to recommend or endorse presidential candidates for both the primary and general election.

Constitutional Amendment 6

DEFEATED

To move the deadline to submit a proposed amendment to the Constitution from the end of the previous RA to 120 days preceding the RA.

Standing Rule Amendment 1

WITHDRAWN

To require that the Executive Committee perform all duties of the Committee on Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules related to determining the outcome of business, where such business was submitted for consideration by the Committee.

Standing Rule Amendment 2

ADOPTED

To strike language requiring that NBIs be the first order of business at all business meetings except the first.

[Standing Rule Amendment 3](#)

DEFEATED

To require at least one screen at the Representative Assembly to display the numbers of all NBIs still eligible for debate as well as the current item being debated and its status.

[Standing Rule Amendment 4](#)

DEFEATED

To require makers of motions to bundle NBIs for referral to committee to secure the consent of each maker and gather all makers at one microphone; and to provide each maker of an NBI proposed for such bundling one minute to speak to their item.

[Standing Rule Amendment 5](#)

WITHDRAWN

[Standing Rule Amendment 6](#)

WITHDRAWN

To require delegates with requests for information to direct those requests to other specified sources before being allowed access to the speaking queue.

[Standing Rule Amendment 6A](#)

DEFEATED

To move the deadline for NBIs submitted by petition of at least 50 delegates to close of business on the first day of the Representative Assembly. Also to create an additional avenue of NBI submission by noon on the second day by formally recognized and affiliated caucuses and councils of the NEA with petition of at least 50 delegates.

Standing Rule Amendment 7

DEFEATED

To limit the total cost of adopted NBIs to 30 percent of the budgeted contingency fund.

Standing Rule Amendment 8

WITHDRAWN

To require state delegations to the Resolutions Committee to be comprised of at least twenty percent ethnic minority members where appropriate and possible.

Standing Rule Amendment 9

ADOPTED

To strike language specifying that voting on amendments to governing documents must take place on the third day of the Representative Assembly.

Legislative Amendment 1

ADOPTED AS MODIFIED

Section: IDEA Special Education

Page 13 line 14

Amend Existing Item

NEA supports

- reduction of class size and case load and the appropriate levels of educational support professionals and staff commensurate with the added responsibility of providing appropriate educational services to students with disabilities;

Legislative Amendment 2

ADOPTED

Section: Voice in the Workplace

Page 21 line 30

Add New Item

NEA opposes

- the exclusion of teachers from the minimum salary threshold that applies to salaried workers classified as “learned professionals” under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA);

Legislative Amendment 3

WITHDRAWN

Section: High Quality Public Education

Page 6 line 21

Amend Existing Item

NEA supports

federal resources to provide universal [enhance the availability and quality of public school] child care and early education programs, including preschool and before- and after-school programs.

Legislative Amendment 4

ADOPTED

Section: Assessments

Page 5 line 51

Add New Item

NEA supports

- legislation that allows assessments that use a sample-based methodology, similar to the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), to meet the federal accountability standards.

Legislative Amendment 5

DEFEATED

Section: Judiciary

Page 29 line 47

Add New Item

NEA supports

- a judicial code of conduct for the Supreme Court justices.

Legislative Amendment 6

ADOPTED

Section: Good Public Policy

Page 29 line 30

Add New Item

NEA supports

- legislation to protect students' personally identifiable information and ensure students' data privacy.

Legislative Amendment 7

ADOPTED

Section: High Quality Public Education

Page 5 line 35

Add New Item

NEA supports

- science education that is based solely on scientific theory, empirically collected evidence, scientific methodology, and/or consensus within the scientific community.

Legislative Amendment 8

ADOPTED

Section: High Quality Public Education

Page 5 line 18

Amend Existing Item

NEA supports

federal programs to assist schools in educational reform and restructuring efforts that include educator, parental, and community engagement;

Legislative Amendment 9

WITHDRAWN

Section: Fiscal Policy

Page 33 line 15

Add New Item

NEA opposes

- federal tax revenue being spent on banking fees charged by for-profit banks.