**Scholarship**

* Applications are due to Darcie April 29th
* Scholarship night is on 6/6/2024
  + If there is anyone that wants to present the award.
* Should we make the scholarship digital? Make it easier for the applicants
  + If not this year then by next year.
  + Would it be worth opening up the pool to other family members of the GEA? Or only children of members?

**Grievance**

* Nothing to report

**Negotiation**

* No negotiations right now
* Jess asked about when negotiations are happening next
* She has many notes about future negotiations… Input from members about what they would like to see in the next contract
  + Mary mentions survey that is sent to members of the GEA
  + This is something that the Business Meeting also could be used for if more people would attend.
  + There needs to be some way to get more but in from the members so that they do not think that we don’t fight for issues that they want

**Elections**

* Nomination papers out by 3/11, returned by 3/15, election on 3/20.
* We would want positions filled asap so that they can be trained
  + I.e Kendra will be leaving secretary so that she can train them.
* Secretary and V.P are open positions on the board
  + We could use more reps in all buildings
* If you are going to nominate someone make sure you let them know ahead of time.

**Guest Speakers**

Jake Goodwin and Matt Castagna

* Matt running for state representative capital region NEA-NH
  + 2nd year teacher – 7th grade social studies teacher in Bow
  + Discusses viewpoints and why he wants to be elected
* Jake 6th grade social studies teacher – running for president NEA-NH
  + Discusses his views and why he wants to be elected
* They open it up for Q&A
  + Mary – brings up the lack of “visibility” of the current executive board
  + Sam – brings up next governor and potential outcomes. How would they deal?
* If anyone wants their contact or to send Mary with questions let her know.
* Sam asks about how to vote in this election in general.
  + Mary will give us information

**Website**

* Did anyone update the lists on the website?
  + Josh started the draft

**Social**

* We had talked about a business meeting in the spring
  + HS theater?
    - Haven’t done it at a school before because of proximately to keep away from admin etc.
  + Lauren will check out “La Vaca” in Goffstown
* Would we ever consider having a business meeting AND a social?
  + High school people are not wanting the social piece
* Julie brought up former meeting at Fratello’s

**New/Old Business**

* Handbook is finally finished!!
* Has description for each position to help people understand the differences and responsibilities of each role.
* Let Mary know if you happen to see any mistakes
* Encourage reps to meet with members in the building to bring information back to the board?
* Board is going to Bartlett
  + HS on the 20th
  + All about what members rights are… personal and sick days etc
* We were approached by SAU about an Apprenticeship program for paras to get an Alt 4(?) as a teacher.
  + SAU concerned about the student teaching portion of the program
  + They want to know if teachers would be willing to “cover” for the paras during this portion of the apprenticeship.
    - Overwhelming answer is no.
  + NEA-NH has suggestions and are willing to work with districts to be able to make this idea work
    - SAU said no thanks.
* Derrick wants Mary to send something to elementary schools admin about planning periods and what they are entitled to receive… minimum of four planning periods per week.

Meeting adjourned – 4:45