

Dear CNEA Members,

Thank you for your time and enthusiasm over the last year on the CNE Association with special mentions to those who have served on the Board of Directors, Committees & the Task Force and those municipal elected officials heading into elections.

I am writing to you to communicate that the CNEA Board approved several by-law amendments which will accomplish the following: the implementation a new budget cycle which will have staff present a budget to the board after the fair for the next year and following best practices, **allow for a consolidated the annual financial meeting and annual general meeting to be combined into one annual meeting to take place in the spring of each year.**

As our current term, which began in October 2017, is now extended until the consolidated Annual Meeting in spring 2019, the following will take effect:

- **The current elected Board of Directors will continue until the next Annual Meeting in spring 2019.** In the lead up to the Annual Meeting, similar to past practice, the CNEA Members will be provided information on Board elections.
- **The Annual General Meeting scheduled for October 25, 2019 is cancelled and replaced by a consolidated Annual Meeting on Wednesday June 5th at 10:30 am.** **Please take note for your calendars**. The spring 2019 Annual Meeting agenda will include the presentation of the financial statements for fiscal year 2018 and the CNEA Board elections.
- A separate communication will be sent to the current CNEA Committee & Task Force members.

Appreciating all our busy schedules, I have asked staff to work with me and the Chairs of each Committee / Task Force to develop a schedule of meetings until the Annual Meeting next spring.

With the extension of the current term, the work of the association has continued post-fair.

I look forward to seeing you in the near future.

Let's go to the Ex,



John Kiru
President, CNEA