



**Month/Date:** JUNE 23, 2025

**Time:** 9:00-10:00 am

**Location:** WARWICK PUBLIC  
LIBRARY

**RIAEA Mailing Address:**

**PO Box 20420**

**Cranston, RI 02920**

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### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Rhode Island Art Education Association is to offer professional opportunities, support and advocacy for leadership and globally.

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## Board Members

### 2025 RIAEA BOARD

\*Existing member interest groups, we could get leaders from [this list](#)

- RIAEA Openings-[RIAEA Leadership Descriptions job descriptions](#)

## Agenda- Meeting Link:

- WELCOME
- TREASURE REPORT
- LEARNING/COMMUNITY VIBRANCY
- ADVOCACY & POLICY
- JUNE MEMBERS EVENT

## Meeting Information

- **Welcome**
  - Approve [MAY MEETING MINUTES](#)
- **KELLY | TREASURER REPORT**
- **Business Checking: \$9,991.00**
- **Venmo: \$245.15**

- **LEARNING/COMMUNITY VIBRANCY**
- [RIAEA YEARLY Reports Slide Deck 2024](#)
- [DRAFT RIAEA YEARLY Reports Slide Deck 2025- \*\*CALL FOR IMAGES....UPLOAD HERE\*\*](#)
- [2025-26 school year open positions](#) and WELCOME to our new and returning faces!!
  - [Nominations: 2026 RI Art Educator of the Year!](#) **Nomination CLOSE ON AUGUST 1, 2025 AT 11:59PM**
  - **TEAM EAST:** 25 participants from all CA,CT, ME, MA, MD, NH, NY, PA, RI, VT
  - [TEAM EAST Committee Sign Up](#)
  - SWAG BAG STUFF
- **ADVOCACY & POLICY**
  - **Membership Increase Discussion:**
  - 1. What if a member renews with NAEA and then their home state goes independent from NAEA? Will they get refunded their full membership?
    - In this case we will refund the member directly for the difference they paid in state vs national dues. We also contact them and encourage them to visit the state association's website directly to renew.
  - 2. What would be the NAEA membership rates for Rhode Island to join if RIAEA was independent from NAEA?
    - If RIAEA's membership is no longer connected to NAEA's, the rates would be:
    - Active Professional: \$105
    - Associate: \$105
    - Retired: \$50
    - Early Career: \$95
    - Preservice: \$40
    - Institutional: \$225

Also, please note that since our fiscal year is over in less than two weeks, and all the rates and pre-printed forms have already updated with the dues rates, we are unable to modify dues contracts until July 1, 2026.

- [RIAEA MEMBERSHIP SURVEY](#)
  - [Revised Membership Survey](#)

## Meeting Minutes

- **WELCOME**
  - a. Members in attendance: Jill, Kate, Jean, Mia, Mary, Stacy, Tara, Kerri, Alison, and Liz

- b. May meeting minutes
  - i. Kerri makes a motion to approve the may meeting minutes
  - ii. Stacy seconded it
  - iii. All approved
- c. Changes to RIAEA board members
  - i. President Elect is currently open and will remain open for a year
  - ii. Treasurer is open
    - 1. Kelly has left the treasurer position
    - 2. Jean expressed interest in filling this position
  - iii. Most regional positions are open
    - 1. Looking for representatives for the following regions
      - a. Northern
      - b. Central
      - c. Kent
      - d. Newport
  - iv. Many division positions are open
    - 1. Pre-Service
    - 2. Secondary
    - 3. Museum Education
    - 4. Supervision/Administration
  - v. Many interest group positions open
    - 1. Art Advocacy
    - 2. Art in Special Education
    - 3. Arts & Media Technology
    - 4. Design Interest Group
    - 5. ED&I
    - 6. LGBTQ+ Interest Group
  - vi. Educator Awards Chair is being removed
    - 1. Duties will be fulfilled by the elementary, middle, and secondary division representative
  - vii. Already have members taking new, active positions on the board
- **TREASURE REPORT**
  - a. See above
- **LEARNING/COMMUNITY VIBRANCY**
  - a. Yearly reports
    - i. The yearly report from last year is linked above
      - 1. This is a great resource to send to potential new members and school administration to show what RIAEA does
    - ii. A draft version of the yearly report is also above
    - iii. A folder for photo submissions is linked above as well
      - 1. Please submit any photos from events from this past year within the next couple of days so they can be included in the yearly report
  - b. Nominations for 2026 RIAEA Art Educator of the Year
    - i. Received two nominations so far

- ii. Nominations do not have to be submitted by principals
- iii. Discussed friend of award to be awarded to Jerry's artorama
  - 1. Stacy made a motion to select Jerry's artorama to receive the friend of the arts award
  - 2. Jean seconded it
  - 3. All approved
- c. Team East
  - i. 25 attendees so far
  - ii. Website is updated
  - iii. Jill found rooster for raffle
  - iv. Jill will send out a date for people to go over to her house to help make the bags and raffle items
    - 1. Sometime between 4/5 and 4/8
  - v. Looking for volunteers to sit at the raffle table and for additional duties
    - 1. Meetings during the morning
    - 2. Will be 2-3 hour time blocks
    - 3. Friday and Saturday from 9-4
    - 4. Lunch will be provided
    - 5. AM - 9:30-11:30
    - 6. Lunch - 11:30-2:00
    - 7. PM - 2:00-4:00
  - vi. Check in on Thursday from 4-6
- **ADVOCACY & POLICY**
  - a. Membership
    - i. Membership survey has been made
      - 1. Survey has been sent out
      - 2. A couple board members mentioned not receiving the email, or it going to an old email address
      - 3. Need to assign a deadline to fill out the survey so that we can then have a meeting
      - 4. Information in survey from nationals
      - 5. Suggestions to change in the survey
        - a. Change beginning to say \$130 for NAEA and RIAEA
        - b. Need to explain why we are collecting this information
        - c. Remove latest in the visual arts advocacy question
        - d. Remove the second insurance question
        - e. Remove the second honors society question
        - f. Remove the second advocacy groups question
        - g. Reword the purchasing NAEA membership question to include that it includes membership to RIAEA
        - h.
      - 6. Need to provide a cost for joining just RIAEA
      - 7. Add questions about what RIAEA services members are currently using

- a. What benefits do members receive from RIAEA
- 8. If members are utilizing our local/statewide services more than the national services, then it makes sense to separate from nationals
- 9. Stacy offered to help Jill with editing the form
- 10. When the form is finalized, it will be sent out to the board prior to membership
- ii. Stepping away from NAEA means the treasurer and membership will be in charge of collecting membership fees
  - 1. Treasurer will need to set up a venmo account
- iii. Questions and answers for NAEA
  - 1. See above section for NAEA membership rates to purchase a NAEA membership once RIAEA separates from NAEA.
  - 2. RIAEA dues contracts have already been filed for the next fiscal year. We will be eligible to separate from NAEA for the following fiscal year and update dues contracts on 7/1/2026
- iv. RIAEA membership fees if separate
  - 1. Jill mentioned possibly charging \$75-\$80
  - 2. Look at New Hampshire for rates
  - 3. Discussed charging \$60 and/or matching the rates of New Hampshire

- **JUNE MEMBERS EVENT**