**THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE**













* Divide up the chapters to be direct contacts to two or three chapter presidents and to share information on issues and crises when needed
* Establish a relationship and communicate with the region leaders and staff in assigned region IEA office
* Work through/with IEA Government Relations and keep them informed about anything this committee and its members are doing
* Stay informed on legislative issues in Springfield and Washington, D.C. and share that legislative information with the local retired leaders/members
* Provide voter registration information to all IEA-Retired local chapters and when possible assist local IEA Regions with Voter Registration drives
* Create and share the Save Our Pensions Initiative for 2018

**IEA-RETIRED LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** 8-10 retired members from across the state (The terms are staggered for continuity on the committee.)

* Diane Chapman, Chair, (W Sub.) 2019
* Bob Haisman, (Lomb.) 2019
* Harriet Sheeley, (SORE) 2019
* Loretta Tisdel, (Council S-T) (S. Sub.) 2019
* Linda Lucke, (North Lake) 2020
* Ray Rogers, (WIRE) 2020
* Margie Trigg, (Cr. roads) 2020
* Ray Hardke, (NW Sub.) 2021
* Janet Kilgus, (R.14&62) 2021
* Carol Schnaiter, (Rock RV) 2021
* Jim Duffy, (Rock RV) ex-officio
* Kim Riley, Staff

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**IEA-RETIRED LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE**

**POLITICAL ADVOCACY TOOLS YOU CAN USE**

 











**IEA-RETIRED MEMBERS CAN**

* Visit IEA-Retired website often for information specific to IEA-Retired (This information includes forms, contact info, and more [www.ieanea.org/retired](http://www.ieanea.org/retired).)
* Visit the IEA website – Legislative tab often to stay informed and for resource materials [www.ieanea.org](http://www.ieanea.org)
* Print out fact sheets from the above website, so they are better informed and can share correct information with others
* Attend local IEA-Retired chapter meetings and read the emails sent by the local retired chapter president
* Set up Google Searches on legislative, education, and pension issues to be more globally informed, see what others are saying, and to help correct incorrect information with our members and the public (If help is needed to set up Google searches, please ask IEA Retired Chair and staff contact.)
* Write letters, emails, and make calls to legislators (Letters and calls are better than emails.)
* Visit legislators’ offices back home and pick two or three issues to discuss (See website for talking issues and talking points.)
* Participate in lobbying in Springfield
* Like and share IEA posts on Facebook and Twitter
* Use the IEA app for smart phones as another way to stay informed
* Be involved in campaigns of IEA recommended candidates
* Register to vote and then vote for IEA recommended

education-friendly candidates

**IEA-RETIRED LOCAL CHAPTERS CAN**

* Work with regions in assigned IEA office on political activities and actions
* Find retired volunteers for the region Go Team or as GPA’s
* Participate in local Recommendation Meetings (
* Prepare a directory of area state and federal legislators, as well as state elected officials, so all members have easy access to contact information of politicians they may need to contact
* Create a directory of individual members, which matches them with their legislators
* Have a chapter Legislative Chair who keeps members informed and who coordinates with region councils and UDs
* Set up a chapter website, Facebook page, and/or Twitter accounts to help get out our message and to communicate our message with our “friends.”
* Work with assigned UDs and GPAs as a resource
* Keep members in the information loop by creating an email distribution system to pass on information from IEA and the IEA-Retired Chair in a timely manner,
* Rally chapter members to participate in calls to action using IEA/NEA provided talking points and directions
* Plan activities which include political diversity to reach all members and their political preferences
* Encourage reluctant members to begin their political action by finding one legislator they are comfortable supporting
* Promote IPACE contributions (The form is on IEA-Retired website.)
* Invite legislators/ IEA lobbyists to an IEA Retired local chapter meeting to discuss current issues