

Michigan Education Association

2009  
Minority & Women  
Leadership Program

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Saturday, April 4, 2009

MEA Headquarters, East Lansing

Registrations due on or before **March 20, 2009**

# Tentative Schedule

TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

8 A.M. . . . . .REGISTRATION

8 – 9 A.M. . . . . .BREAKFAST BUFFET

8:45 A.M. . . . . .WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

OPENING REMARKS

9 – 10:30 A.M. . . . .A LABOR HISTORY: UNDERSTANDING OUR PAST TO IMPACT THE FUTURE

- WOMEN – MOTHER JONES
- LABOR UNIONS IN GENERAL

10:30 A.M. . . . . .BREAK

10:45 A.M. . . . . .KNOWING YOUR ASSOCIATION

- UNDERSTANDING THE ASSOCIATION STRUCTURE
- 3-1 (g) STATUS
- ATA-NEA MERGER

NOON . . . . .LUNCH

12:45 P.M. . . . . .JOB OPPORTUNITIES

- MEA INTERN PROGRAM
- NEA INTERN PROGRAM
- NEA UPDP

1:30 P.M. . . . . .WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE POLITICALLY ACTIVE?

2:15 P.M. . . . . .GET WHAT YOU NEED: IDENTIFYING SKILL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

2:45 P.M. . . . . .CLOSING SESSION

- WRAP UP

## **A LABOR HISTORY: UNDERSTANDING OUR PAST TO IMPACT THE FUTURE**

**PRESENTERS:** TANYA PRATT AND ERVIN PRATT, MEA UNISERV DIRECTORS

GO BACK IN HISTORY TO LEARN ABOUT THE INVOLVEMENT OF WOMEN AND MINORITIES IN THE LABOR MOVEMENT. YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS THIS MULTIMEDIA, INTERACTIVE SESSION.

## **UNDERSTANDING THE MEA AND NEA STRUCTURE**

**PRESENTERS:** MICHAEL GRAVES, SOUTHFIELD, AND DAVID HOCKADAY, LANSING

CONFUSED ABOUT THE STRUCTURE OF THE MEA AS WELL AS THE NEA? HOW DOES YOUR LOCAL ASSOCIATION TIE INTO MEA? THIS SESSION WILL EXPLAIN THE STRUCTURE OF MEA AND NEA.

PARTICIPANTS WILL LEARN ABOUT THE VARIOUS COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS, ELECTED SEATS AND MUCH MORE. ALSO INCLUDED WILL BE AN OVERVIEW OF THE ATA-NEA (AMERICAN TEACHERS ASSOCIATION-NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION) MERGER THAT HAS SHAPED TODAY'S ASSOCIATION. DON'T MISS OUT ON INFORMATION THAT WILL HELP GUIDE YOU DOWN THE PATH OF OPPORTUNITY.

## **FINDING YOUR WAY TO MEA JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

**PRESENTERS:** KIA HAGENS AND MARY HALLEY, MEA INTERNS

PRESENTERS OF THIS SESSION HAVE BEEN DOWN THIS PATH AND WILL PROVIDE THE "HOW TO" IN FINDING THE POTHOLES, LAND MINES AND SHORT CUTS TO EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN MEA AND NEA. INFORMATION ABOUT THE MEA & NEA WOMEN & MINORITY INTERN PROGRAM, AMONG OTHERS, WILL BE PRESENTED.

## **WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE POLITICALLY ACTIVE?**

**PRESENTER:** JOYCE PHELPS, MEA LOBBYIST

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE RULES AND PURPOSE OF BEING POLITICALLY ACTIVE? WELL, YOU ARE NOT ALONE. THIS SESSION WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE KNOWLEDGE TO UNDERSTAND THE WORLD OF POLITICS; COME HEAR THE "SECRETS" OF POLITICS FROM MEA'S ONLY FEMALE LOBBYIST.

## **GET WHAT YOU NEED: IDENTIFYING SKILL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**PRESENTER:** JOAN MAPSON, DIRECTOR, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/HUMAN RIGHTS DEPARTMENT

COME HEAR FROM THE MEA DIRECTOR OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ABOUT THE MYRIAD OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS. PARTICIPANTS WILL INCREASE THEIR AWARENESS ABOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, COSTS, PURPOSES, AND SO MUCH MORE! AFTER THIS SESSION, YOU WILL BE "IN THE KNOW" ABOUT WHAT IT TAKES TO GET WHAT YOU NEED TO BECOME A PROFESSIONAL ISSUES ADVOCATE WITHIN THE MEA.

# Registration Form

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

BADGE NAME (FIRST NAME PREFERENCE) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL DISTRICT/INSTITUTION \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST TIME ATTENDING THIS CONFERENCE?  YES  NO

SPECIAL NEEDS (PHYSICAL OR DIETARY. PLEASE BE SPECIFIC) \_\_\_\_\_

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THE MINORITY & WOMEN LEADERSHIP INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM IS A SERVICE OF THE MEA FOR ITS MEMBERS.  
THERE IS NO REGISTRATION FEE.

**MEALS:** I PLAN TO ATTEND BREAKFAST  YES  NO I PLAN TO ATTEND LUNCH  YES  NO

**DIRECT QUESTIONS TO:**

800-292-1934

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**RETURN REGISTRATION FORM TO:**

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## **2008-09 WOMEN'S ISSUES COMMITTEE**

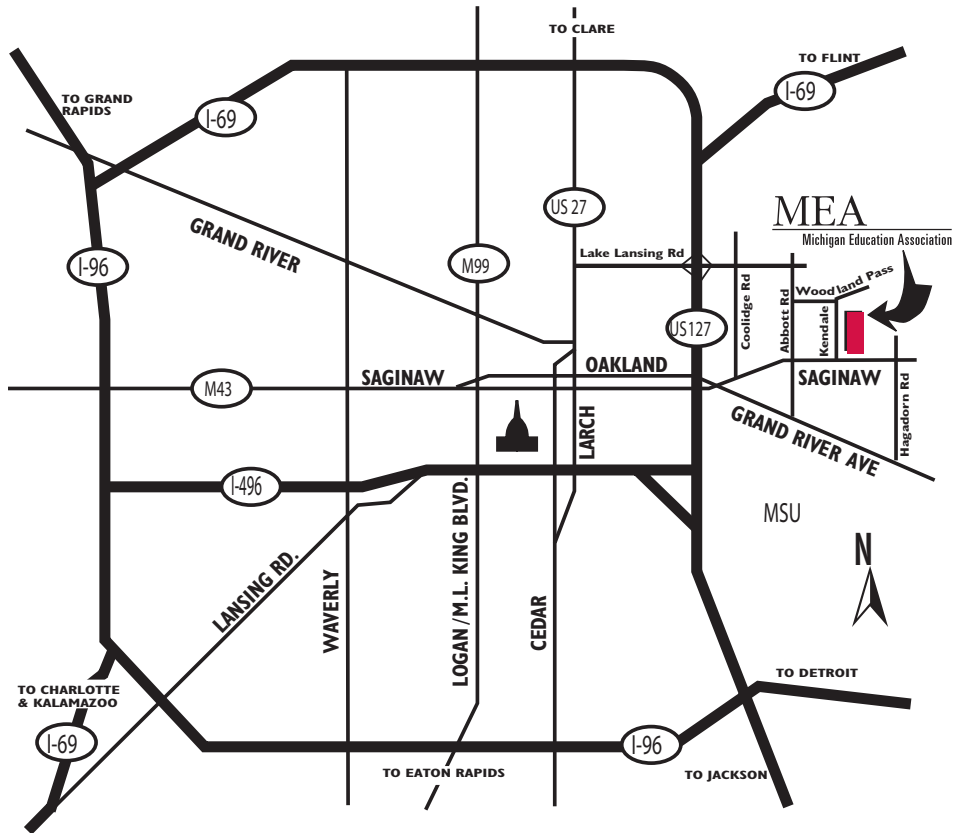
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*The mission of the MEA is to ensure that the education of our students and  
 the working environments of our members are of the highest quality.*

