

CEA Election Ballot

Secretary



Andrea Buttross

Andrea has been with the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections since 2011 and is the Corrections Education Coordinator. She is a 6-year CEA member. She has been involved for two years as the Vendor Chair for CEA events, and is a member of the CEA Vendor Advisory and Publications Committees. She is Secretary for the Louisiana Correctional Association, Ex-Officio member of the Louisiana Association for Adult Education, member of COABE and recently accepted into the Association of Women Executives in Corrections (AWEC).



John Krenik

John has taught adult literacy for 10 years in the Minnesota Department of Corrections. Additionally, he has 22 years of experience as a junior high school EBD Special Education Teacher. John is a strong advocate for correctional education and believes that correctional educators make a major difference in the lives of students by giving them another tool to succeed and not re-offend. John brings a “Can Do” attitude to everything he does. He believes that good communication is the key to a successful organization and will work hard to accomplish this objective, among others.

Standards Commission



Derek Grubbs

Derek Grubbs is the Director of Juvenile Education for the Indiana Department of Correction. Derek has been with IDOC since 2000, and has been a Teacher, Special Education Coordinator, and Principal prior to assuming his most recent role in August 2017. He is a member of the American Correctional Association and serves on the CEA Juvenile Justice Committee. He is a member of the Education Outcomes Task Force which reports to the Governor's Commission on the Improvement of the Status of Children in Indiana and is actively involved in Indiana's State Workforce Innovation Council for youth. Derek is a certified auditor for AdvancEd, where he participates on teams that visit Comprehensive Special Purpose Schools.



Susan Leggett

Susan Leggett was born in New York and raised in West Virginia. In 2007, she received her Master of Science in Adult & Technical Education. She has over 17 years of experience in Adult Education and almost 2 years of experience in a maximum security correctional facility teaching Adult Education/TASC prep classes. She has received 2 awards for exceeding in WV State Performance Standards along with the President's Volunteer Service Award in 2007. Also, she has 10 years of experience as an International Coordinator & Consultant for the ASPECT Foundation. She is a member of CEA, WVAEA, Inc., and ProLiteracy WV. Recently, she became a Peer Trainer for all correctional facilities and regional jails in WV.

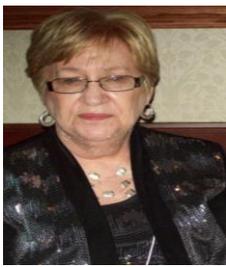
Derek Irvin

Derek Irvin began his professional career in the United States Air Force where he served for close to 10 years - the first three of which was in Law Enforcement in Europe. He continued to serve his country by enrolling in the Reserves for 4 years. While serving as a reserve airman, he landed employment with the Harris County Sheriff's Department as a deputy clerk. He has an Associates Degree in Paralegal Studies, a Bachelor's Degree in Pre-law, a Master's of Pubic Administration degree, and is a doctoral candidate in Educational Leadership at Prairie View A & M University. Derek has taught GED and ESL classes and has been the Program Director of a Teacher Certification program. Mr. Irvin currently works as the Program Manager of a Correctional Education program which consists of a partnership between a college and a law enforcement agency. He has participated in two separate CEA audits and familiar with the CEA Standards of Correctional Education. Derek has a strong passion for education, entrepreneurship, business, and law.



Rhea Bowman

Rhea Bowman seeks re-election as a Standards Commissioner. As a CEA member since 1988, her service includes: Alaska Chapter President, Regional Executive Board, National Board President's Council Chair, Juvenile Justice Advocate, and CEA auditor. She has received the CEA Lifetime Service Award. With 43 years of experience teaching reading at McLaughlin Youth Center in Anchorage, she looks forward to continuing her Standards Commission work.



Fran Warsing

Dr. Fran Warsing, currently serving as the chairperson of the Standards Commission, is seeking re-election. She has been a CEA auditor for 10 years and has been a CEA member for 30 years having served as state director from both West Virginia and Virginia, and as Director of Region 2. Dr. Warsing is the retired Superintendent of Institutional Education Programs in West Virginia. She worked for over 30 years in correctional education, serving as an instructor and administrator in both West Virginia and Virginia.



Victor Kersey

Dr. Victor Kersey is the Director of Institutional Programming for the Utah Department of Corrections. Prior to this, he served over 13 years in various capacities within the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice, where he worked with youth who were sex offenders, and youth who were profoundly mentally ill. His tenure with the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice also included administrative positions, including Assistant Superintendent of Programs and Psychologist Administrator. Victor is a veteran of the US Navy, where he served 10 years before leaving active duty. He earned his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Capella University, and serves as adjunct faculty at Grand Canyon University and the Adler School of Professional Psychology. Victor is an active presenter at CEA conferences.



Helen Ballard

Helen Ballard, from Maryland, is an educationalist, advocate and lifelong learner who has been a part of the Academic Community for over 14 years. Helen began her educational career as a classroom teacher on the Elementary level and advanced to Middle School and Adult Learners. No student was untouchable with her expertise in education. Her dedication and passion inspired students to achieve their goals. Her passion and dedication has positioned her as a successful leader and entrepreneur for academic enrichment.