BEA Special Election Candidate Statements (& some pictures)

Kim Hay- Classroom Based Services Executive Rep

I have three high-schoolers and am a longtime BSD special education teacher. This is my 23rd year in BSD, giving me knowledge and perspective of the roles of each group I will represent. From classroom teaching and co-teaching, bargaining, union representation at WEA, representation on building and district leadership teams, and committee facilitation, I bring experience working as a union leader and a strong voice including perspective on how services connect and impact each other. I will listen to concerns, ask questions, and work to ensure students' and staff's voices are heard and needs met. Thank you for your consideration!



Stephen Miller-MLK Labor Council Rep

As a MLK Labor Council Rep we are expected to be a liaison and build relationships between BEA members and the greater King County labor union community. There are two positions up for election. I'll rely upon the experience, knowledge, and relationships acquired over 24 years as a BEA member, 5 years as BEA Building Rep and/or Exec Comm member, 4 years as BEA President, and 6 years as WEA Vice President to fulfill the responsibilities of this position in service of BEA members. Thank you for your trust and support for our work together as union members!



Lena West-Elementary Executive Board Rep

My name is Lena Pothitou-West, and I have been an elementary school teacher since 1999, with over twelve years of experience working for the Bellevue School District. I have served as a BEA representative in elementary schools, advocating for and supporting fellow educators. I believe that all teachers should feel supported in their vital work of strengthening partnerships with families and providing exceptional education to all students.



Chad Harper-Sammamish UniServ Rep