



MEA-Retired Leadership training slated



MEA-Retired’s biennial leadership training is slated for Wednesday, October 27, in person at the Best Western Hotel, 375 Main Street, Waterville, at 8:30 a.m. Keynote speaker is Mr. Stephen Gorrie of Massachusetts, a practicing parliamentarian for the past 16 years.

A native of Andover, Massachusetts, Steve is a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians and the American Institute of Parliamentarians.



Steve Gorrie

He currently serves as parliamentarian for the Nevada State Education Association, the Norfolk County (MA) Teachers Association, the Massachusetts Coalition of Police, the Massachusetts Community College Council, the Jack and Jill Foundation of Washington, DC, the National Council of Education Support Professionals (NEA), and the National Council of Higher Education.

He has served on several prominent commissions—the National Commission on Service Learning, the Massachusetts Commission on Time and Learning and the Mass. Education Reform Review Commission.

A frequent presenter of parliamentary and meeting procedures at conferences and workshops, Stephen has also assisted organizations in rewriting and amending their bylaws and rules.

Steve earned a Masters degree in education at Northeastern University where he also earned a Masters Degree in Education. He is a retired Grades 4 – 6 teacher in Winchester, Massachusetts, and past president of the 117,000 member Mass. Teachers Association (MTA).

Mr. Gorrie has represented retired NEA members on the NEA Board of Directors and active and retired members on the MTA Board of Directors and the MTA Benefits Trust Board of Directors. He is the national Elections Chair for NEA-Retired. He also the Clerk of the Board of Directors and Associate Producer of School Talk, Inc., a weekly television show on education issues.

After lunch is served, the afternoon session will be interactive dealing with a variety of topics relating to meeting protocol—agenda building, administering motions and votes, rules of order, bylaws, and parliamentary procedures.

The last project will be a Jeopardy game reviewing the contents of the program. We will have wrap up, evaluation, and door prizes. We look forward to a couple representatives from each affiliate in attendance.

For more information interested members may contact President Gary McGrane at 207-491-7342 or send an email to gmcgrane7@gmail.com. See that the deadline for registering is October 20.

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Best Western Plus 375 Main Street Waterville
October 27, 2021, 8:30 a.m.

- 8:30 Registration & Refreshments
- 9:00 Welcome
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Land Acknowledgement
- Introductions
- 9:30 “Smooth Meetings” by Stephen Gorrie
- 11:30 Questions and Answers
- 12:00 Lunch
- 12:45 Interactive Activities
- 1:45 Wrap Up/Evaluation/Door Prizes
- 2:00 Adjournment

MEA-Retired Leadership Training Registration

October 27, 2021, 8:30 a.m.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Tel. _____

Affiliate _____

Position _____

Deadline for phone call or email registration: October 20
 Deadline for mailing the registration: October 17
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