

KEA Student Program
Annual Report to the Delegate Assembly
April 2018

KEA Student Program Executive Board:

- **Skylar Nunley**– President, MSU-Paducah
- **Michael Weaver**– President Elect, KSU
- **Destiny Askew**- Political Information Chair, Berea College
- **Shaleigha Richard**– Secretary-Historian, KSU
- **Cameo Kendrick**– Ethnic Minority Representative, UK
- **Brook Bell** - Outreach Chair, ECU
- Rosalind Bryant, KEA staff liaison to KEA-SP

Events and Activities

June 2017:

- KEA Student Members attended **the NEA Student Leadership Conference (SLC)** in Boston, MA. They attended professional development sessions, leadership trainings and participated in the annual community outreach project, **The Legacy Project**.
- KEA SP Executive Board met for their retreat at KEA Headquarters in Frankfort. It was a great day of team building, budget development and planning for the upcoming year.

August 2017:

- The KEA-SP Executive Board executed a Chapter Officer's Training session in Lexington, Louisville, and Paducah. The training was offered free to chapter leaders to focus on recruiting members, retaining members, and preparing the next generation of student leaders.
- Several student program executive board members and members attended **Fancy Farm** in western Kentucky. It is a great opportunity for students to see candidates who are planning to run for various state offices.

September/October 2017:

- **A mini-conference** was held in Barbourville by UniServ Director Sharon Oxendine for the students in the Eastern portion of the state. It was a one day conference focused on PD and getting students and chapters energized, organized, and involved on the state level.
- **Fall Conference**, was held at Lexington Embassy Suites. Theme: **We are the NEXT**. The students enjoyed the wide range of information they received as well as networking, leadership opportunities,

and professional development sessions. A record high number of students attended our kick off conference in the fall.

November 2017

- KEA SP Minority Chairperson Cameo and committee members planned the Second Annual **KEA Minority Leadership Conference**, "Changing the Mindset; Regaining the Power" held at Fredrick Douglas High School in Lexington. The breakout sessions centered on the conference theme of diversity in education. Bringing it all together was an opening drumming ceremony and closing from Drumming Works. Presenters included KEA members, classroom teachers from around the state. An exhibit hall area included Fayette County Equity Council members to discuss employment after graduation.

January 2018:

- Two Kentucky student members selected by their peers and attended the NEA Women and Minority Leadership Training in Tampa, Florida. Over twenty other student members from joined them across the country.

February 2018:

- KEA SP members attended their KEA Day of Learning on February 14! Students sat in on the House Education Committee Meeting, met with many legislators including Senator Reggie Thomas, Alison Lundergan Grimes, and Alice Forgy Kerr.
- The statewide **Winter Conference** was held at U of L at Shelby Campus. Theme: **Ain't No Stoppin' Us Now**. Keynote speaker Matthew Courtney talked about loving what you do but also how to manage stress and teacher burn out. Sessions included **Power of Frozen, Classroom Management, How to Incorporate Fine Arts in the Classroom, and Dyslexia 101**. Two Kentucky student members attended the NEA Leadership Summit in Orlando, Florida. Over twenty other student members from joined them across the country.

March 2018:

- Chapters from across the state participated in Read Across America events at local schools.

April 2018:

- Ten KEA Student Delegates attended the **KEA Delegate Assembly** in Louisville.
- **State Student Assembly (SSA)** - will be held at ECU in Richmond on April 13-14. The student delegates will attend professional development sessions and elect officers for 2018-2019. This year there are constitutional amendments for review and consideration.
- **Statewide Outreach will be held in Hart County on April 21st.**

Ongoing Activities

- **Aspiring Educator Updates:** The State President sent out monthly communication updates to all student members. These updates included event opportunities, leadership applications, and other important KEA information.
- **Monthly Chapter Leader Conference Calls:** The KEA-SP Executive Board has invited chapter leaders to continue the Chapter Officer's Training conversation throughout the year. Over forty chapter leaders joined us on these calls throughout the year.
- **KEA-SP Leadership Committees:** The Ethnic-Minority Representative, Outreach Chair, and Political Action and Information Chair created a leadership committee comprised of two-five student members. These committees help the chairs plan and implement events, collaborate with other chapters, and gain experience for future leadership roles in the association.
- **Chapter Grants** These grants encourage active, retired and student members to work together on community outreach and teacher quality projects. Many chapters applied and were awarded grants to participate in community projects ranging from leadership activities to literacy projects. In addition, several chapters received Read Across America grants.
- **Marvin Dodson- Carl Perkins and Fred Hester scholarships:** Dodson-Perkins scholarships totaling \$6,000 were awarded by KEA to Student Program members and the Fred Hester \$1,000 scholarship was given to an additional student member by KEA-Retired.
- **Executive Board** members are assigned to attend KEA committees meetings, the KEA Board of Directors meetings, and regional meetings to work with chapters throughout the year.
- **KEA locals and districts** have created a seat for a KEA-SP representative to attend monthly meetings. This is their opportunity to participate and share with the active members what they are doing in their chapters throughout the year.

KEA Retired also has donated their time and supported KEA Student Program Chapters in their districts by attending meetings, attended a local event or have sponsored a student membership and / or a local event.

All of these activities foster the relationships that the students build with other student members and active and retired KEA members. In addition, the activities assist them in the transition to becoming great educators who will continue their leadership role in the association.

Respectfully submitted by the KEA Student Program Executive Board