

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE – Stacie Aspiazu

(Applies to candidates running for IEA President, Vice President, NEA Director, IEA Representative on the NEA Resolutions Committee, At Large Member(s) on the IEA Board of Directors – this questionnaire is to appear on the reverse of the “Nomination Form for IEA Office” provided to potential candidates.)

1. How long have you been working in education?
 - This is my 12th year in education. I have spent 10 years as an ERR Paraprofessional, and 2 years as an EBD Paraprofessional.

2. What positions of leadership have you held (elected, appointed or voluntary) at the local, region, state or national level?
 - 4 years as Membership Chair on the NampaEA Local Exec. Board
 - 3 years as Region 8 Vice President
 - 3 years as IEA ESP-At-Large on the Board of Directors
 - Chair of the Statewide ESP Committee
 - Chair of the Idaho ESPs Caucus

3. What do you believe are the three primary responsibilities of this office?
 - To recruit, rebuild, and engage in the ESP profession and membership

4. What do you see as the greatest challenge IEA members will face in the next five years? What ideas do you have to address that challenge?
 - The greatest challenge will be overcoming the loss of ESSA and the funding that was tied into it.
 - Continue to recruit, rebuild, and engage. The more informed that members are, the more powerful they can become, thus making the biggest difference, in their buildings, their locals, their regions, and the state.

5. What is your plan for increasing membership and member engagement?
 - To continue to reach out to our members to give them the tools that they need to talk to ESPs for recruitment.
 - To listen to ESP’s to address the needs around the state.

- To encourage ESP's to stay motivated, and to stay strong even when the conditions may be difficult.
 - To reach out to local leaders and certified, and work hand in hand on including ESP's in every aspect of membership.
 - To appreciate our members, especially our ESP members
6. How do you intend to communicate with members in order to keep them informed and to find out their concerns?
- Social Media
 - Email members
 - Updates to the Local leaders
7. Provide other information you would like members to know:
- ESPs are Rockstars, and together we will continue to grow and improve.