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Dear Member,

PENSION NEWS



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1) On Monday Dec. 11th I will tape an episode of *Issues & Answers* on WYMT that will air on Monday night at 7pm ET. You can watch the program on WYMT's website.

2) The TRS Board of Directors Legislative Committee met this past Monday and reviewed potential legislation for the upcoming regular session including the previously proposed "TRS omnibus bill" and shared responsibility plan put forward by various education advocacy groups.

3) The Public Pension Oversight Board will meet on Monday, December 18 at 1:00 p.m. EST in room 154 of the Capitol Annex Building in Frankfort. The published agenda for this meeting is to discuss PPOB Recommendations. Please make every effort to attend we need to send a strong message to legislators that we are engaged on this issue.

4) Keep those phones ringing! It's easy to get distracted with all of the pressures of the Holiday Season but please don't let up, keep calling your legislators, organizing meetings back home, posting to social media and putting on the pressure. A special session is still a real possibility. We've worked too hard over the past few months to let up now.

Please continue to contact legislators EVERY DAY to protect public school employees from unnecessary structural changes to our pension system. The system is not the problem- don't be misled. The problem lies in the lack of funding. Our legislature needs to ***#FindFundingFirst!*** Call the Legislative Message Line 1-800-372-7181- tell your legislators to

#FindFundingFirst

Do you have a great lesson plan that incorporates Diversity?

The KEA Diversity Committee invites you to submit original lesson plans for a chance to share your great lessons and win a cash prize of \$200. For more information visit our [website](#).

KEA #DifferenceMakers Student Art Contest

The KEA Membership, Organizing, Visibility, and Engagement (MOVE) Committee is sponsoring a student art contest called #DifferenceMakers. Students P-12 are encouraged to submit original portraits of a public school employee that has made a difference in their lives. Photos and other media in 8 ½" X 11" size submission are permitted. Cash prizes will be awarded to one student and their teacher in each of the 4 grade spans. For details and rules please find more information [here](#).

Use your KEA Membership for discounted Winterfest Tickets



Ring in the holidays with the return of WinterFest at Kings Island - select nights November 24 through December 30! Save up to 45% on the price of admission using the KEA code

on [this flyer](#).

Dates to Remember:



- Dec. 11** Int Joint Education Committee Mtg in Capitol Annex 1:00 pm ET Rm 154
- Dec. 18** Public Pension Oversight Board Mtg in Capitol Annex 1:00 pm ET Rm 154
- Dec. 20-Jan.2** KEA offices closed for holiday break
- Jan. 2** 2018 Legislative Session begins

Sincerely,

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