

## **Conference Meeting**

**2nd Monday of the month @ 7pm**

**September 8, 2025**

Attendees: Sue Breese, Lisa Kelly, Maryanne Portoro, Wendy Thompson, Katelyn Belcher, Mel Wilson, Marina Grennen, Carolyn Dixon, Linda Yonkin, Dawn MacMullen, Vepuka Kauari, Mary Ann Teeter, Eileen Breckenridge, Jonathan Sangas, Jonathan Nover, Mary Harwood, Mickey Forness, Kathy Conboy

Excused- Jonathan Green, Lilia Hageman-Sheehan, Sue Kossowsky, Louise McEvoy

Discussion of Conference chair 2026 using email related to their chair subject/topic

It was said that many did not have yet nor have awareness so I will follow up and ensure all chairs receive their email address for conference 2026 and how to access

Encourage use of chair emails

Encourage any suggestions/ideas/wishes/information or anything else to go to chair emails not a “personal” email- easy for chairs to have in one email place related to conference 2026 and able to ensure their co-chairs have awareness of whatever might be in email box

**Speakers – Chair Jonathan Green, Co Chair Vepuka Kauari –**

**[speakerchair@nysena.org](mailto:speakerchair@nysena.org)**

- There have been responses from the “call for speakers”
- Speakers please contact speaker coordinator team at - **[speakerchair@nysena.org](mailto:speakerchair@nysena.org)**
- + NYS members who want to present responded
- + National call, with responses and awaiting others
- + abstracts received - Unsure of tracks yet
- Survey feedback and last years end of conference survey after collation of feedback – high interest in Pediatric topic and OB topics
- Speaker Chair Jonathan and Co-Chair Vepuka will collaborate
- “tracks or not” have not yet been set, working on outline still

**CNE - Chair Linda Yonkin – [cnechair@nysena.org](mailto:cnechair@nysena.org)**

- Just waiting for speakers – so nothing yet
- Factual statement of what is required from a speaker for CNE process  
Disclosure of Financial relationship, Name and Credentials of speaker, Title of topic,  
Description of topic, Learner strategy/objectives, References

**Exhibitors- Chair Maryanne Portoro, Co Chair Jonathan Sangas -**

**[exhibitorchair@nysena.org](mailto:exhibitorchair@nysena.org)**

- Sponsor Opportunities – see website - [exhibitors@nysena.org](mailto:exhibitors@nysena.org)
- Contract on NYSENA website
- Has one exhibitor already signed up
- Sending letters to prior exhibitors
- Have sign on early registration - rate is discounted
- Exhibitor Rate:

Early Registration: \$400.00 - through December 31, 2025

Registration/late: \$550.00 - January 1, 2026 – April 12, 2026

- Stryker bringing 18 wheeler scenario trailer – more to come
- ? evening time slot or what times for exhibits
- Requested assistance with exhibitors at National ENA next week

**Posters – Chair Mary Harwood, Co Chair Marina Grennan –**

**[posterchair@nysena.org](mailto:posterchair@nysena.org)**

- Link on website to view posters
- Keep posters on website like we do for exhibitors for the year ? (Link)
- Email posters out ahead of time to attendees with scavenger hunt/ quiz attached
- Posters submitted earlier such as March 1st so can be emailed to all NYS members
- ? turn a poster into a resolution
- Encourage posters to submit at National ENA
- Marina's journey – poster to National

**Raffle - Chair Mickey Forness, Co Chair Lisa Kelly –**

**[rafflechair@nysena.org](mailto:rafflechair@nysena.org)**

- ? Same as last year 2 years – ? Budget was \$1300.00?

**Party- Chair Dawn MacMullen, Co Chair Sue Kossowsky –**

**[partychair@nysena.org](mailto:partychair@nysena.org)**

- Country / Western theme
- ? mechanical bull ?
- ? Face painting
- Line dancing class
- Horse race
- ? photo booth
- ? food – BBQ / corn ....

Welcome Wagon – Chair Louise McEvoy, Co Chair \_\_\_\_\_ -

[welcomewagonchair@nysena.org](mailto:welcomewagonchair@nysena.org)

- What to do in Saratoga Springs
- Research – Welcome
- Paint and sip
- Bowling
- ? mechanical bull – party?

Educational Incentive Program – Chair Mel Wilson, Co Chair Jinessa Rosado –

[educationalincentive@nysena.org](mailto:educationalincentive@nysena.org)

- 125 schools to notify, 63 each
- Contact by December 1st
- Get word out about name change
- ? How to keep connected re: to ENA, ? do they return again
- ? Do they become members
- Limit 25
- Educational Incentive Program – 1<sup>st</sup> time RN attendees

Registration – Chair Grey Goose Graphics, Co Chair Lilia Hageman-Sheehan

*and others to assist as needed*

#### **OTHER-**

- ?? about a spot on the website for each committee? From Kathy Conboy
- Honor Guard –
- Donation of non-perishable food or personal item - box – Eileen and MaryAnn

**Kind of outline but not set yet in stone-**

*Wednesday*

Council Meeting 9-11am

Bootcamp or whatever to be called- 1pm-?

Evening, Awards / Dinner – Formal type dinner

Dessert / coffee or cheese / or something else - with exhibitors

*Thursday*

Day- speakers

Party in the evening

*Friday- ½ day*

Speaker

Raffle

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Breese

Chair Conference 2026