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*stands*  
*with* **SEAN!**

**10 MINUTE MEETING**

**OUTLINE:**

- Building representatives and local leaders who hold regular in-person meetings in their buildings strengthen member support and build the strongest, most successful unions.
- Communicating information by email is simply not enough. Members need to hear important in person from you. You cannot send your passion through email!
- It can be challenging to motivate members to attend a meeting. However, try promising your members a 10-minute building meeting timed by the clock. See the guide on the following pages for help.

**HINTS:**

- Start on time and stay within the 10-minute timeline. People will be willing to trust you THE NEXT TIME you ask them to come to a 10-minute meeting.
- If some members want to stay beyond 10 minutes and ask questions, make it clear to the rest that the meeting is over, and they need only stay if they wish.
- Try offering your meetings at different times so that all members, including ESP members, can attend.

**THE POWER IS IN OUR HANDS!** **THIS IS**  
*our* **CHANCE.**

New Jersey voters will elect a new Governor in November 2025. The primary election to select the candidates from each party is in June 2025. After working hard to elect Gov. Phil Murphy in 2017 and 2021, our members deserve another governor who respect and works with us. We cannot afford four (or eight!) more years of damage to our profession from another governor like Chris Christie.

Sean Spiller is an educator, a union leader, and former mayor who is ready to lead New Jersey. Why shouldn't we have one of our own in New Jersey's most powerful elected position? Educators belong in every space where politicians are making decisions about our profession. ***It's time to elect one of our own to sit at the head of the table.***

## Resources for distribution:

- Agenda and suggestion form
- Palm card with links/QR codes

## Meeting agenda:

### WELCOME (2 minutes):

- Welcome and introduction. Introduce any association officers present and offer details on the meeting's purpose.
- Consider using a starting statement, such as, "We cannot afford to sit out the 2025 election. We suffered too much under Chris Christie ever to go back. This is our chance to elect an educator as governor. This is our chance to strengthen our pensions, improve our evaluation system, support our ESPs, and make sure New Jersey remains a place where we want to live, work, and raise our families."

### THE 2025 ELECTION (2 minutes):

- Phil Murphy is term-limited after 8-years as governor.
- NJEA members are a large voting bloc, and with our friends and family we can select the governor in 2025.
- There are several declared candidates from each party currently vying for their party's nomination in the primary, to be held on June 10, 2025.
- Candidates on the Republican side have said that they don't respect educators, they don't believe our pensions should be funded, and our health benefits should be reduced.
- There are many candidates on the Democratic side, but one stands out above the rest: our endorsed candidate in the Democratic primary, NJEA President, Sean Spiller!
- NJEA's Political Action Committee, made up of members from across the state, endorsed Sean in June 2024.

### WHO IS SEAN SPILLER? (2 minutes):

- Sean Spiller is a high school science teacher in Wayne.
- Sean has served as the NJEA president for the last 3 years. He previously served as vice-president and secretary-treasurer.
- Sean previously served as president of the Wayne Education Association.
- Spiller and his wife Lauren, also a public-school teacher and NJEA member, live with their two children in Montclair.
- Sean served on the township council (2012 – 2020) and then as mayor (2020 – 2024) in Montclair. One of his major accomplishments as mayor was rent control. Sean led the town through the Covid-19 pandemic and focused on small businesses.

### STAND WITH SEAN (2 minutes):

- As union members, we need to stand with Sean. If we want the next governor to fund our pensions, maintain our health benefits, fund our schools, protect ESPs, and respect collective bargaining, we need to stand with Sean now to make sure that he is the Democratic candidate for governor in 2025.
- Sign the pledge card to support Spiller to let NJEA know that you support Sean's candidacy.
- Visit [seanspiller.com](https://seanspiller.com) to join Sean's team.
- Like/follow Sean's campaign on social media.
- Donate to Sean's campaign "\$5 for '25" to show New Jersey that educators have a voice. We do not each have millions to give, but \$5 from every one of our members will go a lot further!

### CONCLUSION (2 minutes):

- This is an important election for our profession, so we can't miss this opportunity. This is our chance! We need to make sure Sean's name gets out there. Please spread the word!
- Take action, stay informed, and get ready to vote!

**SPILLER**for  
**GOVERNOR 2025**

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*“Stand With Sean” • Spiller for Governor 2025*

## AGENDA:

- **Welcome and introductions** (2 minutes)
- **The 2025 Election** (2 minutes)
- **Who is Sean Spiller?** (2 minutes)
- **Stand with Sean** (2 minutes)
- **Conclusion** (2 minutes)

*Time’s Up! We told you we could do it in 10 minutes!*

Don’t forget to leave your questions and suggestions at the door.



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**ASK A QUESTION.  
MAKE A SUGGESTION.**

*Tear off this portion of the agenda and leave it at the door.*

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Question or Suggestion: \_\_\_\_\_

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