

**NEWTON TEACHERS ASSOCIATION**  
**Officers, Committee Chairs & Members, Association Representatives**  
**2024-2025**

**Full Time Release Officers:**

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| • Michael Zilles, President ( <a href="mailto:ntapresident@newteach.org">ntapresident@newteach.org</a> )..... | <i>NTA Office</i>      |
| • Christine Walsh, Treasurer ( <a href="mailto:treasurer@newteach.org">treasurer@newteach.org</a> ).....      | <i>NTA Office</i>      |

**Officers:**

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| • Elizabeth Ross Del Porto, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President..... | <i>Angier Elementary</i>       |
| • Liz Simpson, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President.....              | <i>Oak Hill Middle School</i>  |
| • Susan Cohen, Recording Secretary.....                         | <i>Ed Center (Springboard)</i> |
| • Kate Foley, Assistant Treasurer for Membership.....           | <i>Kate Foley, Cabot</i>       |

**Committee Chairs:**

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| • BIPOC – Valerie Brunache.....                                 | <i>Countryside</i>            |
| • Bylaws – David Bedar.....                                     | <i>NNHS</i>                   |
| • Contract Action Team – <i>Co-chairs</i>                       |                               |
| ○ Mike Schlegelmilch.....                                       | <i>NNHS</i>                   |
| ○ Kelly Henderson.....  | <i>NSHS</i>                   |
| • Communications (Social Media) – Liz Simpson.....              | <i>Oak Hill Middle School</i> |
| • Community Relations – Liz Simpson.....                        | <i>Oak Hill Middle School</i> |
| • Elections – Ashley Raven.....                                 | <i>NECP</i>                   |
| • Legislative – Ryan Normandin.....                             | <i>NSHS</i>                   |
| • Negotiations – Mike Zilles.....                               | <i>NTA Office</i>             |
| • Professional Development – <b><i>TBD</i></b> .....            |                               |
| • Professional Rights & Responsibilities – Christine Walsh..... | <i>NTA Office</i>             |
| • Social – <b><i>TBD</i></b> .....                              |                               |
| • Webmaster – Jayme Ellis.....                                  | <i>Burr</i>                   |

**MTA / NEA**

- Greg Shea, *MTA Field Representative*
- Jamie Rinaldi, *NSHS, MTA Director*

**Professional Rights & Responsibilities Committee:**

<b><i>Member</i></b>	<b><i>Building</i></b>
Christine Walsh, Chair.....	<i>NTA Office</i>
Alicia Carrillo.....	<i>NNHS</i>
Sue Cohen.....	<i>Ed Center</i>
Phil Golando.....	<i>NNHS</i>
Charles Rooney.....	<i>NNHS</i>
Taylor Witherbee.....	<i>Angier</i>
Michael Zilles.....	<i>NTA Office</i>

**Association Representatives:**

	<i><b>Representative(s)</b></i>
Newton Early Childhood Program (NECP).....	Rebecca Maxfield, Ashley Raven
Unit C (at large):.....	Valerie Brunache, <i>Countryside</i>
	<b>TBD (up to five from ES and MS)</b>
Unit B (at large):.....	Deana Lew, <i>Ed Center</i>
	Jamin Bercaw, <i>Oak Hill Middle School</i>
Unit E (at large):.....	Tony Sbordone, <i>Administrative Support Staff</i>
	<b>TBD</b>
Ed Center:.....	<b>TBD, At Large</b>
	<b>TBD, Central High</b>
	Corinne Popp, <i>Springboard</i>
Related Services .....	<b>TBD</b>

***Elementary Schools***

	<i><b>Representative(s)</b></i>
Angier.....	Fran Rametta, Meghan Norcross
Bowen.....	Sharon Lipman, Tiffany Krieg
Burr.....	Vanessa McMahon, Jayme Ellis
Cabot.....	Olivia Bernow, Kate Foley
Countryside.....	Suzanne Szwarczewicz, <b>TBD</b>
Franklin.....	Gigi Lockett, Margaret Merrill
Horace Mann.....	Loriann Akdag, Sarah Thorne, Emily Bard
Lincoln-Eliot.....	Lynn Penczar, Kim Selwyn
Mason Rice.....	Donna Thayer, Julia Murphy
Memorial Spaulding .....	Kim Hyland, Cindy Basso
Peirce.....	Brett Aronne, <b>TBD</b>
Underwood.....	Ernesto Hernandez, <b>TBD</b>
Ward.....	Jackie Gilligan, <b>TBD</b>
Williams.....	Jenna Ceddia, Tracy Juarez
Zervas.....	Kate Gacicia, Michael Stern

***Middle Schools***

	<i><b>Representative(s)</b></i>
Bigelow.....	Michael Burtch, Jean Singers, Terry Kitchen
Brown.....	Isaiah Davidson-Weiss, Rachel Heep, Michelle Fox
Day.....	Linda Kincaid, Melissa Thomas, <b>TBD</b>
Oak Hill.....	Caleb Cutler, Carol Kappel, Janette Patel

***High Schools***

	<i><b>Representative(s)</b></i>
NNHS – Unit A.....	Erin Dalbec, John Fitzgerald, Michael Schlegelmilch, Karen Tokos, Brian Rooney
NNHS – Unit B.....	Heather Hotchkiss, Greg Drake
NNHS – Unit C.....	Christian Collins, <b>TBD</b>
NSHS – Unit A.....	John Curley, Jeremiah Hill, Kyle Stark, <b>TBD, TBD</b>
NSHS – Unit B.....	Alex Kraus
NSHS – Unit C.....	Addrene Coney, <b>TBD</b>

**Negotiations Committee:**

***Officers/Chair***

***Building***

Mike Zilles, NTA President and Chair of Negotiations ..... NTA Office  
Christine Walsh, Treasurer ..... NTA Office  
Elizabeth Ross Del Porto, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President ..... Angier  
Liz Simpson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President ..... Oak Hill  
Susan Cohen, Recording Secretary ..... Ed Center (Springboard)

***Unit A – Classroom Teachers***

***Building***

Brenna Green ..... Cabot  
Lynn Penczar ..... Lincoln-Eliot  
Michael Burtch ..... Bigelow  
Elana Cutler ..... Brown  
Derek Knapp ..... NNHS  
Ryan Normandin ..... NSHS

***Unit A – Special Education***

Thuy Truong ..... NECP

***Unit A – Special Subjects***

TBD .....

***Unit B***

Allyson Andrews ..... Franklin, Horace Mann, Lincoln Eliot  
Dan Rubin ..... NSHS

***Unit C***

Valerie Brunache ..... Countryside  
Barry Hershenow ..... NNHS

***Unit D***

TBD .....

TBD .....

***Unit E***

Tony Sbordone ..... Ed Center  
Thomas Buchau ..... Ed Center