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	1907	Organized by 28 people under auspices of National Education Association. The original letter was signed by Dick J. Crosby of the Department of Agriculture in Washington D.C.
	1908	David B. Johnson – First President Elected and Installed – Rockhill South Carolina – Meeting in Cleveland
	1909	Kenyon Butterfield – Massachusetts – Meeting in Denver, CO
1910	1910	James Barr – California – Meeting in Boston, MA
	1911	B.M. Davis – Ohio – Meeting in San Francisco CA
	1912	Ernest E. Balcomb – North Carolina – Meeting in Chicago, IL
	1913	E.C. Bishop – Iowa – Meeting in Salt Lake City, UT
	1914	George Works – New York – Meeting in St. Paul, MN
	1915	W.H. French – Michigan – Meeting in Salt Lake City, UT
	1916	Charles Lane – Washington DC – Meeting in Portland, OR
	1917	H.W. Foght – Washington DC – Meeting in Pittsburgh, PA
	1918	H.A. Allan – Maine – Meeting in Milwaukee, WI
	1919	Officially became the Department of Rural Education under NEA
	1919	Eli Rapp – Pennsylvania – Meeting in Salt Lake City, UT
1920	1920	Ernest Burnham – Michigan – Meeting in Des Moines, IA
	1921	C.G. Sargent – Colorado – Meeting in Boston, MA
	1922	John M. Foote – Louisiana – Meeting in Oakland, CA
	1923	Mary Campbell – Iowa – Meeting in Chicago, IL
	1924	A.F. Harman – Alabama – Meeting in Indianapolis, IN
	1925	Julian Butterworth – New York – Meeting in Philadelphia, PA
	1926	N. Searle Light – Connecticut – Meeting in Seattle, WA
	1927	William Robinson – Michigan – Meeting in Minneapolis, MN
	1928	Mabel Carney – New York – Meeting in Atlantic City, NJ
	1929	Helen Heffeman – California – Meeting in Cleveland, OH
1930	1930	Kate Wofford – New York – Meeting in Detroit, MI
	1931	Ray Snider – New York – Meeting in Atlantic City, NJ
	1932	Agnes Samuelson – Iowa – Meeting in Chicago, IL
	1933	R.E. Jagers – Kentucky – Meetings in Washington DC and Cleveland, OH
	1934	Sue Powers – Tennessee – Meetings in Denver, CO and Atlantic City, NJ
	1935	Francis L. Bailey – Meeting in Portland, OR
	1936	Fred C. Fisher – Meetings in Detroit, MI and New Orleans, LA
	1937	Katherine M. Cook – Meetings in New York City, NY and Atlantic City, NJ
	1938	Norman Frost – Tennessee – Meeting in San Francisco, CA
	1939	Norman Frost – Tennessee – Meeting in Cleveland, OH
1940	1940	Frank Cyr – New York – Meeting in New York City, NY
	1941	Daisy Howard – Michigan – Meeting in Boston, MA
	1942	Barton Morgan – Iowa – Meetings in Denver, CO and San Francisco, CA
	1943	Barton Morgan – Iowa – Meeting in Indianapolis, IN

	1944	Lois Clark – Pennsylvania – Meeting in Pittsburgh, PA
	1945	E.E. Stonecipher – Kansas – Meeting in Buffalo, NY
	1946	E.E. Stonecipher – Kansas – Meeting in Cincinnati, OH
	1947	Jane Franseth – Washington, DC – Meeting in Indianapolis, IN
	1948	Jane Franseth – Washington DC – Meeting in Milwaukee, WI
	1949	Paul Norris – Iowa – Meeting in Memphis, TN
1950	1950	John S. Carroll – Texas – Meeting in Columbus, OH
	1951	W.A. Early – Georgia – Meeting in Dallas, TX
	1952	Marjorie Leinauer – Illinois – Meeting in Dallas, TX
	1953	M.L. Cushman – Iowa – Meeting in Omaha, NE
	1954	Lucille Klinge – Oregon – Meeting in Washington DC
	1955	Cliff – Huff – Kansas – Meeting in San Diego, CA
	1956	R.E. Harris – Texas – Meeting in Atlanta, GA
	1957	Ralph C. Norris – Iowa – Meeting in Denver, CO
	1958	Ralph C. Norris – Iowa – Meeting in Dallas, TX
	1959	Velma Linford – Wyoming – Meeting in Minneapolis, MN
1960	1960	William Bishop – Colorado – Meeting in Seattle, WA
	1961	Cliff Archer – Minnesota – Meeting in Louisville, KY
	1962	J.C.Fitzgerald – Oklahoma – Meeting in Pittsburgh, PA
	1963	Douglas MacRae – Georgia – Meeting in Dallas, TX
	1964	Rosalie Farley – Nebraska – Meeting in Detroit, MI
	1965	Donald Kruzner – Washington – Meeting in Washington DC
	1966	Burton Kreitlow – Wisconsin – Meeting in San Diego, CA
	1967	William Dreier – Iowa – Meeting in Atlanta, GA
	1968	Noble Gividen – New York – Meeting in Oklahoma City, OK
	1969	Olin Gresham – California – Meeting in Spokane, WA
1970	1970	Gordon Swanson – Minnesota – Meeting in Cincinnati, OH
	1971	Thomas Quick – Oregon – Meeting in Des Moines, IA
	1972	E. Roberts Stephens – Iowa – Meeting in Reno, NV
	1973	Thomas Sommerville – Oregon – Meeting in Philadelphia, PA
	1974	Everett Edington – New Mexico – Meeting in Springfield, MO
	1975	Began separation from the NEA
	1975	Tom Lawrence – Texas – Meeting in Portland, OR
	1976	David Gilliland – Iowa – Meeting in San Antonio, TX
	1977	Leo Soucy – New York – Meeting in Albany, NY
	1978	Walter Turner – Colorado – Meeting in Denver, CO
	1979	Ray Drage – Ohio – Meeting in Hyannis Port, MA
1980	1980	Completed separation from NEA
	1980	Anita Lohr – Arizona – Meeting in Madison, WI
	1981	Calvin Bones – Iowa – Meeting in Portland, OR
	1982	Glen Thompson – Wisconsin – Meeting in Tucson, AZ
	1983	Roy Brubacher – Colorado – Meeting in Rockport, MA

	1984	Rural Education Association Incorporated
	1984	James Jess – Iowa – Meeting in Manhattan, KS
	1985	Peter Schwalbenberg – Maine – Meeting in Olympia, WA
	1986	Jerry Horn – Kansas – Meeting in Little Rock, AR
	1987	Fred Tidwell – Washington – Meeting in Lake Placid, NY
	1988	Dwight Bode – Iowa – Meeting in Bismarck, ND
	1989	Charlene Rudolf – Maine – Meeting in Reno, NV
1990	1990	Patricia Laubach – North Dakota – Meeting in Colorado Springs, CO
	1991	Dave Trujillo – Colorado – Meeting in Jackson, MS
	1992	Bill Peter – Missouri – Meeting in Traverse City, MI
	1993	Gerald Hanson – Michigan – Meeting in Burlington, VT
	1994	Rene “Jay” Bouchard – New York – Meeting in Tuscaloosa, AL
	1995	Dean Swanson – Minnesota – Meeting in Salt Lake City, UT
	1996	Bennie McKay – Louisiana – Meeting in San Antonio, TX
	1997	Paul Street – Arizona – Meeting in Tuscon, AZ
	1998	V. Pauline Hodges – Oklahoma – Meeting in Buffalo, NY
	1999	John L. Sullivan – Kansas – Meeting in Colorado Springs, CO
2000	2000	Mary Lou Gammon – Arizona – Meeting in Charleston, SC
	2001	George Brown – Texas – Meeting in Albuquerque, NM
	2002	Peter Kachris – New York – Meeting in Portland, OR
	2003	Al Eads Jr. – South Carolina – Meeting in Kearney, NE
	2004	Mike Copeland – Oklahoma – Meeting in Indianapolis, IN
	2005	J.M. Edington III – Arkansas – Meeting in Tuscon, AZ
	2006	Robert Newhouse – Kansas – Meeting in Kansas City, MO
	2007	Gay Molnar – New York – Meeting in Oklahoma City, OK
	2008	Seth Adams – Texas – Meeting in San Antonio, TX
	2009	Don Stephens – Wisconsin – Meeting in Cincinnati, OH
2010	2010	Ray Patrick – Missouri – Meeting in Branson, MO
	2011	Cindy McIntee – South Carolina – Meeting in Hilton Head South Carolina
	2012	Phil Gerik – Texas – Meeting in Cincinnati, OH
	2013	Jimmy Cunningham – Arkansas – Meeting in Branson, MO
	2014	Gerald Thorne – Texas – Meeting in San Antonio, TX
	2015	Sandra Watkins- Illinois – Meeting in St. Louis, MO
	2016	J. Scott Turney-Indiana- Meeting in Columbus, OH