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Education Minnesota Pension Advocacy Network

We invite all Education Minnesota members who are interested in educator pension advocacy to join our [new Facebook group](#). This is a place where members can connect, have productive conversations about pension solutions, and have staff answer questions.

Education Minnesota Pension Advisory Group

Members have been appointed to our state union’s new Pension Advisory Group. After reviewing applications, ensuring that we’re bringing together a diverse group of member advocates, these members from across the state have been selected to serve. We wanted to make sure to have a sizable group that could still have in-depth discussions where they can make decisions.

We received an incredible amount of applications for this group. Even if you weren’t appointed this year, please continue to weigh in by email, on our new Facebook cohort, and engage in continued pension advocacy events and opportunities. Members who applied may still be appointed to remaining EdMN committees.

ZONE	NAME	LOCAL
1	Brian Cole	Moorhead
1	Doyle Turner	Bemidji
2	Bridget Peterson	Esko
2	Michael Sievert	Nashwauk-Keewatin
3	David Leom	Milaca
3	Jenn Roos	Fergus Falls
4	Andrea Sitzmann	Jackson County Central

4	Brenda Kellen	Marshall
5	Jake Johnson	Rochester
5	Craig Brenden	Waseca
6	Joseph Wollersheim	DCUE
6	Heidi Simons	Bloomington
7	Todd Richter	Roseville
7	Kim Hannan	OSSEO
8	Dan Foss	Anoka Hennepin
8	Elizabeth Keeling	Anoka Hennepin
Gov Brd	Ryan Fiereck, Chair	St. Francis
Gov Brd	Lisa Olson, Vice Chair	Elk River
Gov Brd	Marty Fridgen	South Washington County
Retired	Jeannie Brown-Kruesel	Faribault, EdMN Retired
Retired	David Esposito	Robbinsdale, EdMN Retired
Officer	Monica Byron	EdMN Vice President
Officer	Rodney Rowe	EdMN Secretary-Treasurer

Quote from **Pension Advisory Chair, Ryan Fiereck:**

"I'm excited for this new pension task force to come together to talk about pathways forward towards pension improvement and flexibility. We'll work to come together under a unified vision of what pensions should look like for Minnesota educators. I'm also excited that we're going to dive into the nuts and bolts of how we can get there and provide the guidance for our members across the state of Minnesota as we do this work together."

Members and staff of the group can be contacted at pensions@edmn.org.

Stay tuned for more events and advocacy opportunities!

If you've missed any past updates, they're [available on our website](#).

If you have any questions, please email [Adam Janiak](#).

Keep organizing, sharing and talking to your colleagues about our plan. [Sign up and forward this Education Minnesota Pension Updates signup today or use the QR code below!](#)

