

Gary Brennan

Position: Teacher School: Brunswick HS Local Association: FCTA

Member: MSEA 30 years/NEA 30 years

High quality public education is the great leveler in our competitive society. A strong and effective MSEA is essential to that high quality public education. The united voice and action of teachers, support staff, administrators and our allies holds policy makers responsible to adequately fund our schools, treat school employees fairly, enact policies that help, rather than hinder, effective teaching, and ensure the recruitment and retention of the best employees in every school system. To be successful in representing educators and our students, MSEA needs elected member-leaders to oversee our association. As a public education advocate I have worked on these issues at the local, state, and national level for years. As Treasurer I will work with members from across the state to create a budget driven by our association goals. I will ensure MSEA dues are focused on positively impacting our ability to do our jobs, and I will strongly advocate for public education across the state. As a veteran educator, I know that when school employees are respected, their voices heard, and their work supported, their positive influence on students is amazing. As MSEA treasurer I want to help ensure the success of all educators and students.



Joe Coughlin

Position: Education Support Professional

School: Central Office **Local Association:** ESPBC

Member: MSEA 15 years/NEA 15 years

It is a privilege to have the opportunity to advocate for your interests on the MSEA Board of Directors. I am asking for your support to be elected as MSEA Treasurer. Currently, I serve on the MSEA Budget (6 Years), Leadership Development, State Contacts, and Crises Fund committees. Formerly the Education Support Professionals of Baltimore County (ESPBC) President for two terms, I now serve on the Budget, Membership, Negotiations and Government Relations committee. Additionally, I am a proud graduate of the MSEA's Emerging Leaders Generation V and NEA's ESP Leaders for Tomorrow programs and serve on NEA's ESP Leaders for Tomorrow selection team. As Treasurer, I will work with our locals to grow membership, especially in our ESP locals and I am determined to continue the fight with all adversaries of Agency Fee. I will work with locals on obtaining all grants that are available to them and how grants can be used to strengthen their organization. This past year, I've shadowed the current Treasurer to get a better understanding of the responsibilities the job. I believe this will make my transition to oversee MSEA resources smoother and ensure strong financial support of MSEA's advocacy and organizational goals. Thank you!