CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT

Sherry East - Science teacher at Phoenix Academy. **Educational Background:** Concord University, B.S. in Education; Lesley University, MS in Ecological Teaching and Learning; Clemson University, +30 credit hours of certification. **Work Experience:** South Aiken High School, Rock Hill Schools, The SCEA. **Professional Association Membership:** The SCEA President, The SCEA Vice President, York County Education Association President. **Platform:** I consider it an honor and privilege to serve as The SCEA President. I am seeking re-election so we can continue to improve the lives of our members by advocating the issues that matter. I will continue to fight for smaller class sizes, less testing, support for discipline issues and increased pay, especially for our support staff. Educators are professionals and deserve to be treated as professionals. As your president, I promise to make our voices heard! Children deserve the best. EDUCATORS deserve the best. Together WE can be the best. Sherry East is the BEST Direction for The SCEA. We are Stronger Together. Vote EAST.
Dena R. Crews – Literacy Coach, North Vista Elementary School; 19 consecutive years of membership in the UEP.

**Educational Background:** Walden University, MS in Literacy & Administration; Francis Marion University, BS in Elementary Education; Francis Marion University, BA in English. **Work Experience:** Literacy Coach, Florence 1 Schools; Curriculum Coordinator, Lee County Schools; Classroom teacher, Sumter & Darlington County Schools. **Professional Associations:** Tenacious Grace, Board President; Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., Chapter President; National Council of Negro Women. **Platform:** I seek your support for a second term as you’re the SCEA Vice President. I believe the key to our growth as an organization is engagement. I want to engage non-members to see the value in membership. I want to engage current members to grow our organization by investing in the next generation of leaders and advocates for our profession. Membership is the driving force behind our organization. It is my goal to continue the work I started almost four years ago and invite you to join me in this process,

Dr. Clifford Joseph Lee, Jr. – Spanish/ESOL teacher at JL Mann High School, Greenville County; 7 consecutive years of membership in the United Education Profession (UEP).

**Educational Background:** PhD, P-12 Educational Leadership, Clemson, University; Ed.S, Administration and Supervision, Clemson University; MA, Spanish Language and Literature, University of Akron. **Work Experience:** Spanish Teacher, Greenville County Schools 2014-present; Spanish Teacher, Columbus City Schools, 2008-2014; Spanish Instructor, University of Akron, 2006-2008. **Professional Association:** Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, Vice President; Sergeant-at-Arms; Malcolm X Institute at Wabash College; American Council for the Teaching of Foreign Languages. **Platform:** Educators in South Carolina are tired of waiting for elected officials to fulfil their promises. Our state public education system is in crisis, and we must start a movement immediately. We must raise the visibility of the SCEA through media engagement and revitalizing inactive locals. We must work to ensure that all education staff across the state know their rights and assertively support any member who is treated unfairly. We must confront state educational leaders about the realities of the wave of educator resignations. We must ferociously protect public education from the privatization and voucher movements. I have served proudly as the GCEA Vice President and as a member of the Executive Board of the SCEA. As Vice President, I will continue to work tirelessly to achieve these goals. We will be able to ensure the promise of a great public school for every child in South Carolina!
Candidates for Secretary Treasurer

Dr. Karen L. Greene- Educator, School Stratford High School; 10+ consecutive years of membership in the UEP. **Educational Background:** Charleston Southern University-Bachelor of Science, Charleston Southern University-Master of Education Nova Southeastern University-Doctor of Educational Leadership. **Work experience:** Berkeley County School District 2, Berkeley County Virtual Learning Programs, Springfield College--Charleston Campus. **Professional Associations:** The South Carolina Education Association Board Member District 6 The Berkeley County Education Association-Immediate Past President Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development. **Platform:** As your secretary/treasury, I can assure that all financial transactions will be handled with integrity and ethics. We will keep within the limits of the annual proposed budget, look at all investment opportunities, and prepare and provide regular (usually monthly) reports regarding all funds held the Board.

Peter Lauzon- Teacher, School Center for Advanced Technical Studies, 18 consecutive years of membership in the United Education Profession (UEP). **Educational Background:** North Country Community College, State University of NY Plattsburgh, University of SC- Columbia. **Work experience:** University of SC, Midlands Technical College, School District 5 of Lexington and Richland Counties. **Professional Association:** NEA, Resolutions Committee, The SCEA Executive Board, Budget Chair, LR5EA. **Platform:** I hope to serve our membership and grow our organization. As Budget Chair for The SCEA, I worked to ensure transparency of our financial documents for many years. I take my fiduciary responsibility to our organization very seriously. I have worked with our staff and governance to be sure we were on solid financial footing. I am looking forward to continuing my service to The SCEA during this exciting time.
Candidates for District Directors

UniDistrict 1 (3-year term) 2022-2025, (Abbeville, Anderson 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Cedar Springs, Greenville, Laurens, Oconee, Pickens, Spartanburg)

No Candidate

UniDistrict 2 (3-year term) 2022-2025 (Cherokee, Chester, Chesterfield, Darlington, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lancaster, Marlboro, Union York)

Chastity Baccus – Teacher at Mt. Gallant Elementary; 10 consecutive years of membership in the UEP. **Educational Background:** Walden University, Doctorate of Education; Salem University, Certification of Education Leadership; Walden University, Masters of Education in Reading and Literacy. **Work Experience:** Teacher, Afterschool Director, Youth Empowerment Counselor. **Candidate’s Platform:** I believe that all students deserve a high-quality equitable education. For that to be done, teachers need to feel valued. When our educators feel valued and respected, along with given applicable resources, our students will thrive. It is my plan to help teachers find their voice by helping them to understand their rights and speaking up when their rights are being violated. I will also meet with decisionmakers to voice concerns, build relationships, and have a seat at the decision-making table through constant communication with our lawmakers.

UniDistrict 3 (Aiken, Batesburg-Leesville, Edgefield, Gaston-Swansea, Greenwood, Lexington 1, Lexington 2, Lexington-Richland 5, McCormick, Newberry Palmetto-Unified, Saluda)

No Vacancy
Jean Read – Substitute teacher in Horry County; 25 years of membership in the UEP. Educational Background: BS in Early Childhood Education, Lock Haven State College, PA. Work Experience: Substitute teacher in Horry County 2017-present; elementary teacher, Evesham Twp, New Jersey 1987-2016. Professional Association Memberships: Horry County Education Association/The SCEA 2018-present; Vice President 2020-present; Evesham Twp Education Association 1987-2016; building rep 1991-2016. Platform: I have advocated for state legislation to improve working conditions for all school staff. On the local level, my work is focused on raising awareness of our Association. As a teacher and building rep in NJ, I attended numerous training sessions and conferences at the county, state, and national level. These experiences provide me with a wealth of knowledge to bring to the table. Please vote for me as District 4 Board member.

UniDistrict 4 (2-year term) 2022-2023 – completing one year of an unexpired term (Dillon, Florence 1, Florence 2&5, Florence 3&4, Horry, Marion)

No Candidate

UniDistrict 5 (Calhoun and Richland)

2-year term (2022-2024)
No Candidate
3-year term (2022-2025)
No Candidate
3-year term (2022-2025)
No Candidate

UniDistrict 6 (3-year term) – 2022-2025 (Berkeley, Charleston, Clarendon, Dorchester, Georgetown, Lee, Summerville, Sumter, Williamsburg)

3-year term (2022-2025)
No Candidate
UniDistrict 7 (2-year term) 2022-2025 (Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Blackville, Colleton, Denmark-Olar, Hampton, Jasper, Orangeburg, Williston)

Kayla Carter – Speech/Language Pathologist, Barnwell County School District 45. **Educational Background:** Liberty University-PhD in Education Concentration in Organizational Leadership; South Carolina State University-Bachelors in Early Childhood Education; Masters of Education in Early Childhood Education; South Carolina State University-Masters of Arts in Speech Pathology and Audiology. **Work Experience:** Barnwell School District #45-Speech Language Pathologist; Bamberg School District #2-Teacher. **Professional Association Memberships:** ASHA, The SCEA. **Platform:** As District Director, I want to help districts recruit and retain more highly qualified and effective teachers in rural schools. By advocating with stakeholders and listening to the grievances of teachers, I want to see what I can do to help preserve teachers and other educational professionals in rural school districts. I want to help support teachers and other members with their goals both professionally and personally.

Carla James - First Grade Teacher at Hardeeville Elementary School; 28 plus years membership in the United Education Profession (UEP). **Educational Background:** Elizabeth State University (Undergraduate degree); Cabridge College (Master’s Degree). **Work Experience:** Parkwood Elementary, Hardeeville Elementary School-1989-current. **Professional Association Memberships:** The SCEA-former District Director for UniDistrict 7 (sometime between 2015-2018); JCEA- former Vice President (94-97) and President (1997-99); SCIRA/PLSA-Family Literacy Grant Chair/Regional Director/Board member-current. **Platform:** The SCEA is gaining ground in membership and must continue. One determined individual can accomplish much, but the power of an organization such as THE SCEA, ca make, has made, and WILL CONTINUE to make the VOICES of TEACHERS across the State of South Carolina HEARD. My name is Carla James, and I’m asking that YOU give ME your VOTE for District Director of UniDistrict 7.
Dr. Janon Jackson, EdD – Teacher at St. Helena Elementary School; 5 consecutive years of membership in the UEP. **Educational Background:** Nova Southeastern University, EdD; Lesley University, Med; Alabama A&M University, BS. **Work Experience:** Beaufort County School District, St. Helena Elementary School, Jasper County School District, Hardeeville Elementary School; Department of Defense Education Activity, Galer Elementary School. **Professional Association Memberships:** The SCEA Executive Board, currently; NEA and The SCEA Representative Assemblies.

Joyce Argo- 1st Grade Teacher, Ebenezer Avenue Elementary School, 22 consecutive years of membership in United Education Profession (UEP). **Educational background:** M.Ed in Educational Leadership-Winthrop University; M.Ed in Reading-Winthrop University; B.S. in Elementary Education-Winthrop University. **Work experience:** Rock Hill School District- Ebenezer Avenue Elementary School: York School District One- Jefferson Elementary School; Lancaster County School District- J.J. Clinton Elementary School. **Professional Association:** The SCEA (Immediate Past District Director for UniDistrict 2), Rock Hill Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated (Chaplain and Executive Board Member), Rock Hill Central City Optimist Club (Past Vice President).

Urica Brown - Chemistry and Computer Science Teacher at Georgetown High School; 17 consecutive years of membership in the UEP. **Educational Background:** B.S. in Chemistry, University of South Carolina; M.ED in Educational Leadership, University of Phoenix. **Work Experience:** Chemistry and Computer Science A Teacher, Georgetown High School; Lead PACE Instructor S.C. Dept of Ed. **Professional Association:** UniDistrict 6 District Director, The SCEA; President, Georgetown County Education Association; President South Carolina Science Council (2019).
Dr. Janon Jackson, EdD – Teacher at St. Helena Elementary School; 5 consecutive years of membership in the UEP. **Educational Background:** Nova Southeastern University, EdD; Lesley University, Med; Alabama A&M University, BS. **Work Experience:** Beaufort County School District, St. Helena Elementary School, Jasper County School District, Hardeeville Elementary School; Department of Defense Education Activity, Galer Elementary School. **Professional Association Memberships:** The SCEA Executive Board, currently; NEA and The SCEA Representative Assemblies.

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Stephanie Johnson - Teacher-Reading Intervention at H. B. Rhame, Jr. Elementary School; 17 consecutive years of membership in the United Education Profession (UEP). **Educational Background:** Gardner Webb University Master’s in Executive Leadership; University of South Carolina-Master of Arts in Teaching; University of South Carolina- Bachelor of Arts in English. **Work Experience:** Teacher-Reading Intervention; Teacher-Elementary. **Professional Associations:** The South Carolina Education Association, National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.
Jean Read – Substitute teacher in Horry County; 25 years of membership in the UEP. **Educational Background:** BS in Early Childhood Education, Lock Haven State College, PA. **Work Experience:** Substitute teacher in Horry County 2017-present; elementary teacher, Evesham Twp, New Jersey 1987-2016. **Professional Association Memberships:** Horry County Education Association/The SCEA 2018-present; Vice President 2020-present; Evesham Twp Education Association 1987-2-16; building rep 1991-2016.

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Anthony Cuevas – Ridgeland-Hardeeville High School, MJCR OTC Instructor. **Educational Background:** Marine Corps-Retired 20 Years; Bachelor’s Degree in Human Services, USCB. **Work Experience:** Marine Corps, MCJROTC Instructor. **Professional Association Memberships:** Jasper County Education Association-School Representative.
**Stephanie McFadden** - Math Interventionist at Hyatt Park Elementary School; 18+ consecutive years of membership in the UEP. **Educational background:** Southern Wesleyan- M.Ed. Administration and Supervision; Southern Wesleyan- M.Ed. Elementary Education; University of South Carolina (Columbia)- BAIS Early Childhood and Elementary Education. **Work experience:** Richland County School District One- Hyatt Park Elementary- 2021-present; Richland District Two Teacher- 2005 to 2021; Lexington/ Richland Five Teacher- 2000 to 2005. **Professional Associations:** The SCEA- PAC Captain; National Council of Teachers of Mathematics; Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development.

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Adrian Goodman - Special Education Teacher in Richland School District One. **Educational Background:** Francis Marion University/ BA; Lesley University/ Masters; Nova Southeastern University/ plus 30. **Work experience:** Hillcrest Middle School, Heyward Gibbes Middle School, Richland School District One Office of Special Services. **Professional Association:** SCEA/ member and SCAMLE/member.

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**CANDIDATE FOR SUPERVISORY DELEGATE**

Stephanie Robinson – Secondary Consultant for Program and Projects, Richland School District 1. **Educational Background:** Ed.S. – Educational Administration-University of SC-Columbia, SC; M.Ed. – Educational Leadership-Winthrop University-Rock Hill, S C; BA-Language Arts Education-Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL. **Work Experience:** Secondary Consultant for Programs and Projects, Secondary AAP Consultant, ELA Support Facilitator/HS English. **Professional Association Memberships:** The SCEA, SCASA, NAGC.