Incentive Rebate

I. PURPOSE

To offer a financial incentive to local affiliates for:

- Maintaining membership at a level equal to the prior year
- Increasing membership over the prior year
- Pre-paying its annual OEA/NEA dues obligation
- Full-time release officers
- Employing secretarial and clerical help
- Establishing or maintaining a local office

II. REQUIREMENTS

No rebates will be paid to locals which have not followed all guidelines. Any requests for exceptions will be brought to the OEA Board of Directors by the board member who represents the local making such request. Requests should be accompanied by exhibits supporting the request.

A. DUES PAYMENT SCHEDULE

To be considered for one of the areas in which rebates are offered, a local affiliate must first meet the following basic payment schedule:

- A minimum of 20% of the yearly obligation paid by December 15
- A minimum of 30% of the yearly obligation paid by January 15
- A minimum of 40% of the yearly obligation paid by February 15
- A minimum of 50% of the yearly obligation paid by March 15
- The remaining payments must be made in accordance with the affiliate's payment schedule as outlined on the monthly dues bill received by the payroll clerks from the OEA.

B. MEMBERSHIP

- 1. An affiliate that maintains the same FTE level of membership as the prior year will receive a rebate equal to \$2 times each FTE member. (See note regarding FTE below.)
- 2. An affiliate that increases its membership level over the prior year will receive a rebate equal to \$2 times each FTE member. In addition, for each additional FTE over the prior year's FTE member level, an affiliate will receive a Membership Bonus of \$50. (See note regarding Membership Bonus below).
- 3. An affiliate with a membership enrollment of 100% of potential will receive a rebate equal to \$4 times each FTE member. An affiliate can qualify for only one of the membership rebates in Part B.

Full-Time Equivalency Membership: FTE membership is defined as an affiliate's total OEA dues obligation divided by the annual OEA dues amount for a certified active member.

Membership Bonus: The membership bonus will be paid for the first year of membership only. Membership bonuses will be paid with the second installment of the incentive rebate. Membership bonuses will be determined by comparing the affiliate's current year FTE membership level to the affiliate's prior year FTE membership level as reflected on the OEA records as of August 31 each year.