NORTHAREA NEA Board of Directors



Jessica Rodarte

Grew up in East LA and always wanted to return to my neighborhood. Well, North Area has been that for me—just a few short blocks from Olvera Street and a stone's throw from where I grew up. 17 years of teaching have made clear that our students deserve well funded and staffed schools that address all their needs and that include their identities in the curriculum. I look forward to working with Chris, Jasmine, and Rebecca to foment and nurture the schools that our students deserve. We can only do that with a strong, united union, made up of strong warriors like those in UTLA!



Rebecca Solomon

North Area has been my home for nearly half of my 24 years in LAUSD and is where my kid attends school. I am so excited to continue to work with Jasmine, Jessica and Chris as we continue to build a powerful participatory union and deepen our focus on racial and social justice. We need a fighting and organizing UTLA area that can collaborate across areas to win what students, communities, and educators need right now.



Chris Wenell

I work in the black abolitionist tradition, harmonizing disparate perspectives to address challenging issues that affect labor and education. I believe that Jasmine, Jessica, and Rebecca are hard working union activists who will make a strong team for North Area to organize around school site issues. I'm a career middle school English teacher, active in the labor movement at both local and national levels, with generations of roots in LA and LAUSD. Your vote is an honor and a strong choice