

## **PSNE Committee Descriptions:**

**Keystone Contest & Awards** – Each year we try to fine-tune the annual Keystone Press Awards contest and award process. This committee looks at the rules, categories, participation by category and generally suggests what needs to be revised and/or updated. A final vote is required for any contest changes to take effect.

**Membership** – This committee works on growing membership by developing strategies to attract new members and to broaden PSNE into a more representative organization.

**Nominating** – This committee recommends editors throughout the state to fill board member and officer positions. These nominees must be willing to lend their time, talents and energy to PSNE. This committee also monitors attendance of present board members at the meetings.

**Open Records & Government Affairs** – There are numerous times when legislation is proposed that would have a direct effect on what we do on a regular basis. This committee is involved in all these issues and more.

**Pennsylvania Press Conference** - This committee, chaired by the current First Vice President of PSNE, helps plan the Saturday programming for the Pennsylvania Press Conference, held each Spring. This committee works closely with the Pennsylvania NewsMedia Association (PNA), the PNA Foundation and the Pennsylvania Associated Press Managing Editors (PAPME) concerning the entire conference programming.

**Student Projects/SEIG** – This committee works to encourage student participation and interest in the newspaper industry, which can be done through the Student Editor's Interest Group (SEIG) and other student projects.

**Training** – This committee advises what topics are in demand throughout the newspaper industry and works closely with the PNA and PNA Foundation staff to provide needed training at a low-cost to members.

**Weeklies** – This committee focuses on the needs of weekly newspapers and helps plan the programming and speakers for the Edith Hughes Community Workshop (formerly known as the Weekly Renewal Workshop), held each year.