



William J. "Bill" Haring
Education Minnesota Field Staff

Bill Haring is a field representative with the 80,000 member Education Minnesota organization, a position he has held for seventeen years. Bill currently represents five K-12 locals, representing approximately 2,000 education employees in the northeast suburbs of St. Paul: the teachers of Chisago Lakes, Forest Lake, North St. Paul-Maplewood-Oakdale, and Stillwater (St. Croix) and the St. Croix Paraprofessionals. His areas of expertise include collective bargaining, member rights, organizing, and political action. During his tenure on the staff of Education Minnesota, he has served members in a wide variety of locals, including bargaining for 6 educational support professional units, and recently, he served the Minnesota State College Faculty. Mr. Haring has also served as an international trainer in Lebanon in a partnership between Education International and the American Federation of Teachers.

Before assuming staff responsibilities in 1998, he served as a director of elementary bands in Forest Lake. His twenty-four-year teaching career began in Wilmot, South Dakota in 1974. Prior to his employment by MEA/Education Minnesota, Bill held a number of local, intermediate, and statewide leadership positions, including Forest Lake local president and ten years as a member of the former MEA Board of Directors and chairperson of Capitol UniServ.

A native of North Dakota, Bill earned his B.S. Degree in Music Education from North Dakota State University and his M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of St. Thomas. Bill and his wife, Nancy, reside in Forest Lake.

Bill's outside interests include genealogy, politics, and travel. He is an active instrumentalist and vocalist, performing currently with the Medalist Concert Band of Bloomington, MN. He is a past president of The Education Minnesota Professional Organization and is the founder and Executive Secretary of the Gold Star Alumni Band of North Dakota State University and active in the Forest Lake Rotary, among other civic groups.

