

On April 21, 2016, the VTA and VUSD Bargaining Teams met for 7 hours.

- VTA: Brenda Hensley, Kim Campbell, Lynne Grow, Todd Blanset, Gary Masterson, Moira McSweeney
- VUSD: Randy Henry, Mark Frazier, Ed Santopadre, Manolo Garcia, Cliff De Graw, Janet Dietrich

We started the session with a discussion on how to make sure that TK/K teachers who teach PM classes would have the minimum day language from TA #2 apply to them (see previous bargaining update). We created language but did not sign off today. We also discussed making sure that ACE, Country High and Buckingham unit members were covered by the minimum day/No Wednesday Collaboration language in TA #2 (see previous bargaining update). The plan is to create language for this provision at the next session.

The District brought up another article to take a look at changes for: Article 11 Grievance. The District is interested in a change as to what happens at Levels 2 and 3 in the grievance process. VTA stated that we need to talk with our grievance committee and executive board before looking at any changes to that article.

Interests and Options were generated for the following topics: Professional Development and Wages. We are still in the brainstorming process for both topics. We can report that for Professional Development we are looking at a variety of options for all members (not just teachers), activating our Professional Development Advisory Committee, and getting staff input. If you are interested in serving on our VTA/VUSD Professional Development Advisory Committee (Article 16.4 in the contract), please contact Moira McSweeney or Mark Frazier.

Future bargaining sessions: 4/27/16, 5/4/16 and 5/11/16.