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The VTA/CTA/NEA 17-18 Bargaining Update

Issue #6

October 3, 2017

The teams met for 3.5 hours on October 3, 2017.

VTA Members:

Brenda Hensley, Jennifer Lindsey, Todd Blanset, Kim Campbell, Tracy Begley

VUSD Members:

Ed Santopadre, Janet Dietrich, Tina Ahn, Adam Wight, Mark Frazier, Jennifer Stahlheber.

We started the afternoon with a discussion of recruiting and retaining Opportunity teachers and brainstorming options for doing that.

The District brought their calculation for the cost of 1% to the general fund. VTA will work on calculating the cost of 1% and we will talk about this at the next session.

We discussed adding to the charge to the Independent Study Committee to discuss timelines for notification of special education teachers of short-term independent study request that necessitate an addendum to a student's IEP. We verbally agreed that would be discussed by the committee.

We discussed a possible different health care structure, including changes to in lieu, dental coverage costs and medical coverage costs and continuous coverage needed for retiree benefits. After open enrollment closes on October 6, 2017, VTA will update the number of members in each plan and share those numbers with the District. Nothing has been agreed to at this point.

We discussed implementation of AB119, a law that was signed that mandates access to unit members and new hires for the union. Interests and some options were generated.

Next dates: 10/17/17 and 10/26/17.