

Bargaining Update #6

Members of the District Bargaining Team: Randy Henry, Ed Santopadre, David Robertson, Kim Forrest.

Members of the VTA Bargaining Team: Tim Sisson, Brenda Hensley, Kim Campbell, Todd Blanset, Gary Masterson, Kent Puddy.

The VTA Bargaining Team and the VUSD Bargaining Team met on March 22, 2011.

The District presented the following proposal for altering language concerning secondary preparation time.

- 4.1.4 Secondary Preparation/Planning: Middle school and high school teachers shall have ten (10) unassigned periods every ten (10) school days set aside for preparation and planning, or the equivalent minutes when there are special testing days (CAHSEE, STAR).

The District indicated that it would like to have flexibility during testing weeks to adjust school schedules. They also said it was not their intent to use this as a way to incorporate block or other types of schedules during the rest of the school year. After some further discussion, the District presented the following reworded proposal:

- 4.1.4 Secondary Preparation/Planning: Middle school and high school teachers shall have ten (10) unassigned periods every ten (10) school days set aside for preparation and planning, or the equivalent minutes when schedules are changed due to State mandated testing days (Examples-CAHSEE, STAR).

Also during the session, the teams began work on determining mutually agreed upon monetary values for following:

- One percent on the salary schedule
- Schedule K stipend
- Furlough day
- Multiple hiring ratio increases for K-12
- Student contact increases for 7-12.

Progress was made on each category, but completion/agreement on all items was not reached. Each group agreed to continue their work outside of negotiations and bring their findings to the next session scheduled for April 1st.