

The negotiation teams met from 3:30 to 6:40 pm on Thursday, March 25.

The BEA proposed amending section 6.1 of the contract to allow for two 1/2 days, a total of one teacher day, before students arrive for the start of school year for teachers to self-direct preparation in lieu of their original proposal for two full days. The BEA requests that one of the 1/2 days must be the day immediately before the students arrive.

The Board proposal for section 6.1 is to allow at least 1/2 day before school for teachers to self-direct preparation with no limitation as to when this time is scheduled by the district (the current language requires the time be scheduled on the first teacher day of the school year). The Board's team will respond to the BEA proposal at the next meeting.

The BEA and the Board agreed, subject to verbage to be prepared by Joe McNeil, Chief Negotiator for the District, that section 23.1 be amended to allow for three personal days per year as opposed to the current allowance of four days. Agreement was reached that current grievance on personal days before or after a scheduled break would be dismissed and current practice for approval of these days by the superintendent would be included in the contract language. Up to two days of unused personal days would be compensated at \$100 per day. A day contributed to the sick leave bank would constitute a use of the day.

The next scheduled meeting of the teams is Thursday April 22 at Ira Allen from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.