

Bottineau Public School Negotiation
Monday, April 20, 2015
Bottineau Public School Library

Present: School Board (SB) Matt Johnson, Lead Negotiator and Kim Bernstein; BEA Nancy Olson, Lead Negotiator, Kari Jostad and Kodi Bullinger
Guests present: Jason Kersten, Superintendent

Meeting called to order at 5:30
BEA provided pizza for the meeting

Ground Rules for each side were exchanged and reviewed. After discussion each team will make the requested modifications

- Discussion was had on presenting verbiage modification/changes to the negotiated agreement in advance and in writing. Both side agreed, this allows time for review on both sides. This is something new, both side agree to give it a try and if it doesn't work we will try another way.
- By exchanging documents beforehand this will cut down time at the meeting and allows each team to have questions answered by their respective legal representation.
- Email is a mode of accepted communication between lead negotiators. It was requested to cc: Mr. Kersten on the emails.
- Email each set of minutes prior to the meeting for review.
- Agreed to be using the same avenue of information: Bottineau Public School Business Manager, Deb Nelson. This way we are both looking at the same set of numbers.

Question was asked of Mr. Kersten by Nancy, in regards to when he thought the finance numbers would be available regarding new dollars to the district? When does the district receive other outside funding ie: Title dollars, State, Local and Federal Funding?

- As the legislative session is still in session at the moment, however it looks as though they could be done as soon as Friday.
- Outside funding is received usually between November and February and then at the end of the school year. We do not receive all of our funding at the beginning of each school year.

Discussion was had on the definition of our "2nd meeting". It was agreed up that when we come together the next time, that will be our "2nd meeting". All proposals must be in written form, at least a list of items that each side will be presenting for discussion prior to our meeting.

- Our packets will be to Deb Nelson no later than April 29, 2015 at 3:30. Deb will notify when each group can pick up their information
- Next meeting is scheduled for May 6, 2015 at 3:30, in the Board room.

Meeting adjourned 6:15