Negotiations Update: August 30, 2013

Joint communication between Rescue Union Federation of Teachers' Negotiation Team and Rescue Union School District Negotiations Team

On Friday, August 30, 2013, the Rescue Union Federation of Teachers' (RUFT) Negotiation Team and the District Negotiations Team met to begin negotiations for the 2013-14 school year. The entire teacher contract is open for negotiations. The teams agreed to open two additional Articles. The Chief Business and Operations Officer gave an update on the District's budget. Both teams reviewed and elaborated on the Article changes that would be brought to the table for negotiations. The teachers' negotiation team presented their proposals on contract language, salary, healthcare benefit and a request for a retirement package. Language that updates the contract to bring it into compliance with State and Federal law was agreed to by both teams.

A Memorandum of Understand (MOU) was signed for six additional hours for Common CORE professional development. These six after duty hours are optional for teachers. The District Negotiations Team will review the RUFT proposal. The next negotiation meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 20, 2013.