

Sedgwick County Area Educational Services Interlocal Cooperative #618  
and Special Services – NEA Teacher’s Association

**MEETING NOTES**

7/19/2011  
Cooperative Office  
1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

**Present:** Craig Elliott, Chief Negotiator; Dru Walter, Special Services – NEA Teacher’s Association President; Bill Dalbom, Board member; Bruce Nicholson, Board member, Chantal Cox, Special Services – NEA Teacher’s Association; Beth Briggs, Special Services – NEA Teacher’s Association, and Karen Kuhn, Assistant Director.

The session started with a brief review of new wording of noticed items and items already dropped or tentatively agreed to by both parties. It was determined that the only item left to discuss was salary and wages.

Mr. Nicholson started the discussion by informing the NEA Teacher’s Association that he had taken their request (***The Teacher’s Association asked that the Board provide a step increase and track movement, for those eligible. They also requested that teachers blocked (frozen) by the salary schedule from step (experience) movement receive \$1,000***) to the Cooperative Board of Directors at their meeting held on Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup>. He stated that members present at the Board meeting were willing to increase their initial offer of a one-time payment from \$300.00 to \$500.00 and provide track movement for those eligible. The Board would not agree to step increases.

The Teacher’s Association asked if it would be possible for teachers to get the step “credit” without the monetary amount tied to the step.

After a brief caucus the NEA Teacher’s Association declined the Board’s offer and asked if the Board would consider providing steps and tracks if the Teacher’s Association dropped their request for the \$1,000.00 for teachers blocked (frozen) by the salary schedule. The Teacher’s Association also expressed concerns regarding teacher’s being denied funds to purchase classroom items and then having to spend their own money to get what they needed.

The Board agreed to take the Teacher’s new request to the Cooperative Board of Directors at their next meeting scheduled for August 11, 2011.

The Board asked the Teacher’s Association to take their last offer to their Teachers for consideration.

**The next negotiation’s session will be determined after the August Board Meeting.**