The BTA negotiating team comprised of BTA’s Executive Director, Sonya Lowe, Lori Adams (BHS), Sue Conway (Luther), Kim Anderson (Jefferson), Heidi Lavitt (Stevenson), and Les Cohen (JBHS) as well as BTA President Diana Abasta met with the BUSD team, Anita Schackmann (Human Resources Director), Sarah Niemann (Asst. Sup. Human Resources), Matt Hill (Superintendent), David Jaynes (Asst. Supt. Business Services), Laura Flosi (Edison), Sandra De Barros (Jefferson), and April Evans-Weaver (Jordan).

Hot Topics

**Coordinator Positions** – Members have expressed concern over how coordinator positions/assignments are filled at the high schools. The positions in question usually are one period positions and the concern that they are not always offered to all faculty members.

**Budget**

David Jaynes gave a report on the Second Interim budget. The District continues to maintain the position that even though they are receiving millions of dollars in new, ongoing money, they are still unable to find money for a salary increase for our members. The BTA team pushed back with concerns about the growing OPEB account which has risen to $8.4 million, the misconception that the ending of one-time funds means the end of new money, and asked for their ongoing estimation of what budget monies will never be spent.

**Article 4**

BTA presented an initial proposal to BUSD on Article 4, Association Rights.

**MOU**

BTA and BUSD signed an MOU extending middle school zero period for one more year. The MOU maintains the limits on elective classes for eighth grade students only.

**Future meeting dates:** April 6, April 20, May 10.