

ARTICLE XXXII

TERM OF AGREEMENT

1.0 This Agreement shall be for a term of three (3) years (2022~~5~~ through 2025~~8~~). It shall become effective upon final Board adoption, excepting those provisions which specify that they are to be made effective at a different date. This Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, pursuant to its terms, to and including June 30, 2025~~8~~ and thereafter shall remain in effect on a day-to-day basis until terminated by either party upon ten (10) days' written notice.

2.0 Negotiations During Life of Agreement. The District and UTLA agree to establish a Joint Committee for identifying items that, after initial discussions, the parties decide are appropriate for negotiations or consultation during the life of this Agreement.

2.1 The primary purpose of this Joint Committee shall be to resolve problems that may arise from time to time over administration of the current contract and/or other issues which the parties agree should be addressed and resolved during the term of this Agreement.

2.2 The Joint Committee shall be composed of eight (8) members, half (4) appointed by the Superintendent and half (4) appointed by the UTLA President. Additional "experts" may be invited by either party to attend meetings as dictated by need and subject matter.

2.3 The Joint Committee shall participate in joint training(s) designed to familiarize and equip the parties with skills to enable them to engage in effective problem-solving. Such skills may include interest-based problem solving, collaborative decision making and effective communication techniques. The initial training session shall include Joint Committee appointees, the Superintendent, UTLA President, senior-level District staff from the Office of the

Superintendent and other UTLA officers and staff, as deemed appropriate by the parties.

2.4 All Joint Committee training and meetings shall be facilitated by a neutral facilitator chosen by the parties.

2.5 The Joint Committee shall issue quarterly written reports. These reports shall summarize the issues addressed by the Joint Committee each quarter and the resolution thereof, if any. The reports shall be posted on the LAUSD's and UTLA's websites and may also be distributed via other means as determined by each party. There shall also be public meetings at which the Joint Committee and the neutral facilitator will report on the work of the Joint Committee to the Superintendent and his cabinet, a member or members of the Board of Education and the UTLA President and other officers. The public

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meetings shall occur at least twice, but not more than four (4) times per year. The parties may agree to coordinate the reporting and presentation provisions of this section with those of the Compensation Study/Budget Committee.

2.6 The Committee shall be authorized to reach agreements on memoranda of understanding (MOUs), sideletters of agreement, and tentative agreements to amend the negotiated collective bargaining Agreement (“Agreement”).

a. The Committee shall, as soon as possible, determine if an issue or subject matter to be discussed or already under discussion would, upon resolution, require an amendment to the Agreement.

b. If either party believes in good faith that an amendment to the Agreement is required or appropriate, the issue or subject matter shall be submitted to the District for public notice (“sunshining”) pursuant to the EERA and District procedures, subject to 6(c) below.

c. Upon ratification of this article, the District shall immediately pursue modification to its public notice procedures whereby issues and subjects arising out of Committee discussions can be “sunshined” as quickly as possible while still complying with the EERA. By way of example only, such procedures could be modified to allow the District and UTLA to jointly submit an issue, interest or subject matter to the Board at one meeting, and have the “sunshine” process completed at the subsequent meeting.

2.7 The Joint Committee shall not be authorized to discuss or enter into agreements concerning Health and Welfare and compensation.

2.8 The parties agree that this section (2.0 through and including 2.8) shall terminate automatically as of June 30, 2022, unless the parties expressly agree in writing to renew it through successor negotiations.

3.0 Negotiations for Successor Agreement: Negotiations for a successor agreement shall commence at the request of either party at any time after ~~April 1, 2022~~ January 1, 2028.

4.0 Pre-July 1 Changes: The District and UTLA are aware of the individual employee annual contract year which begins on July 1 and ends on June 30 of each year, pursuant to the Education Code and applicable case law. It is the intention of the District and UTLA that the continuation of this Agreement past July 1 shall not make its terms a part of the individual annual contracts for the following school year so long as the Board, by formal action prior to July 1, sets forth any changes which it intends to implement (absent subsequent agreement with UTLA to the contrary). Such Board action stating its intent shall be deemed effective as though fully implemented prior to July 1. UTLA and the District agree that (a) the District shall set forth its intent prior to the completion of negotiations even though the parties may not be at impasse at that time, and (b)

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UTLA has not waived its right to negotiate about such changes subsequent to the Board action.