



WASHINGTON TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

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A Brief Negotiations Update

Yesterday, the Fact Finding panel members representing WTA and WUSD mediated a bargaining session between WTA and WUSD. Our experience was pretty much what we have witnessed all year. Our team was forced to wait for an interminable period of time for an offer, a counter proposal, or anything from the District. When something finally arrived, it showed very little movement and was accompanied by the statement that WUSD was unwilling to consider anything else.

Given that this is the same thing we have seen during bargaining, impasse, mediation, and now fact finding, it is hard to be optimistic that we will experience anything different during our formal Fact Finding session on Tuesday, August 30th.

We hope we are wrong.

In any case, our bargaining team will continue to work hard for our interests and the interests of our students.

Yours truly,

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