

Update on Re-Opening MOU Next Steps

Board Meeting April 8, 2021 Agenda Item No. 7.3

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Attempts to Meet and Confer With SCTA Three Feet Guidance

 CDC, CDPH, SCDPH allow for three feet distancing between students in classroom settings (six feet between adults, adults and students, when eating, etc.)

SCTA Meet and Confer – Three Feet Guidance (Continued)

 Section A.3 provides: All revisions and updates to the above health and safety guidelines. If any provision contained in this MOU conflicts with revised or updated guidelines, best practices,

District's March 31, 2021 Request to

SCTA's April 5, 2021 Refusal to Meet and Confer

- OurMOU (Section VII.A.1, Section VII.A.2 and Section VII.A.3) which is consistent with the District's own 'Return to Health Guideline' (revised March 13, 2021) mandates distancing space of at least six feet. This does not "conflict" with the CDC guidelines. In fact, it is quite consistent with CDC guidelines which recommen at least three feet distancing space between students in a classroom setting: six feet distancing is 'at least' three feet social distancing between students in a classroom setting
- [Y]our request to meet and confer . . . is not applicable

District's April 7, 2021 Second Request to Meet and Confer

<u>District's April 7, 2021 Second Request</u> to Meet and Confer (Continued)

- Quoting the CDE, "an LEA with more than sufficient space, staffing, hygienic supplies, etc. to ensure health and safety of all students should be offering follow and fullweek in person instruction to all of its students."
- [N]ot only have the CDPH and SCDPH guidelines for physi distancing changed since the MOU was agreed to at the table, the CDE has now stated its position on the expectation of offering imperson instruction "to the greatest extent possible" as related to compliance with AB 86.
- District cited <u>previously shared information about</u> <u>classroom capacity</u>, which shows that almost all classrooms can space desks three feet apart without exceeding the total student headcount limits.

Request for Impasse Determination SEIU Negotiations

- Between February 25 and April 3, 2021, the District and SEIU have met on eight days and have exchanged 12 proposals combined regarding reopening schools
 - SCUSD's last counter-proposal
 - SEIU's last counter-proposal
 - SEIU's Modified Proposal

Request for Impasse Determination

Request for Impasse Determination SEIU Negotiations (Continued)

- April 5, 2021, SCUSD filed a request for impasse determination with PERB
- Awaiting determination by PERB
- Next step would be mediation

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