Another Day, Another Off-Schedule Dollar

Please plan to be at the February 13th school board meeting.

The bargaining team met last week to continue negotiations for 2018-19 and the district maintained their 2% off-schedule payment offer (payable from left-over one-time monies), and a ZERO percent salary schedule increase. They made a benefits proposal of a $500 increase in the health benefits cap per member.

The increase in the district’s LCFF funding is over $5 million. The district maintains that they are deficit spending and that they need to make cuts in order to get to their goal of a balanced budget by 2020-21. Our position is that teachers should be prioritized in the budget and, given a $128,000,000 budget, they can do better.

Expect site meetings soon where your reps will discuss more specific information from bargaining.

Other issues still on the table:
- class sizes and “district-wide averages”
- the calendar (look for a quick new survey as the district has changed some of their parameters)
- a proposal from the district for a revision of the PAR program
- proposals to the Leaves article
- student supervision (yard duty)

The next bargaining session is scheduled for February 13, 2019.

Your PVFA Bargaining Team,

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