## **AGREEMENT**

## BETWEEN THE

# ASTORIA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL

DISTRICT #1

**BOARD OF EDUCATION** 

AND THE

ASTORIA FEDERATION OF TEACHERS/IFT/AFT

JULY 1, 2019 – JUNE 30, 2024

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# ARTICLE I BASIC POLICY

- A. The Board of Education of the Astoria Community Unit School District #1 (hereafter called the Board) recognizes the Astoria Federation of Teachers, Illinois Federation of Teachers, American Federation of Teachers (Federation) as the exclusive professional representative of all certified personnel employed by Astoria Community Unit District #1. Excluded from the recognized unit are supervisors, managerial, confidential and short-term employees.
- B. The Board, the administrative personnel and the Federation believe that the best interest of public education in Community Unit District #1 will be served by establishing procedures whereby representatives of the Federation may openly discuss with the Board and the Administration and have input into the determination of policies and procedures of mutual and professional interest.
- C. It is recognized by the parties of this agreement that teaching is a profession requiring specialized educational qualifications and that the success of the educational program in the school district depends upon the maximum utilization of the professional training of teachers
- D. It is recognized by all the parties of this agreement that attainment of the objectives of the educational program of the district is the joint responsibility of the Board, the administration, and the professional teaching personnel.
  - 1. To this end, free and open exchange of views is agreed to and deemed to be desirable and necessary, with all parties participating in deliberations leading to the determination of matters of mutual and professional interest.
  - 2. The Federation agrees that it will not, during the period of this agreement, directly or indirectly engage in or assist in any strike, as defined by the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act, against the Board. Federation also agrees that it will not, during the period of this agreement, engage in or assist in any slow down or job action, and will render full and complete services.
- E. The Federation recognizes the Board as the final authority for determining the policy of this district.

# ARTICLE II NEGOTIATIONS PROCEDURES

A. Meeting composed of representatives of the Federation, representatives of the Board and the Administration may be called upon written request of any of these parties. Requests for meetings should contain a specific statement as to the reason for the meeting. Request from the administration or the Board will be made to the chief negotiator of the Federation. A mutually convenient meeting date will then be set within a reasonable period.

- B. Conferences and hearings shall be carried on in an attitude of mutual respect. At such conferences, facts, opinions, proposals and counter-proposals will be freely exchanged in an effort to reach a mutual understanding and agreement.
- C. Both parties agree that it is their mutual responsibility to meet at reasonable times and negotiate in good faith with respect to wages, hours and other terms and conditions of employment.
- D. It is agreed that the parties will jointly request the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service mediation services if the parties to this agreement determine that the assistance of a mediator would be helpful or if an impasse has been reached.

# ARTICLE III WORKING CONDITIONS

#### A. Work Year

- 1. The regular employment year for all teachers shall not exceed 180 days or the established state minimum whichever is greater, of which up to four days may be institute days. The salary schedule shall be based on the calendar of 180 days.
- 2. Extended contracts to teachers may be offered. The rate of compensation shall be based upon the individual's regular salary. Employees on extended contracts shall be paid 1/180 of the regular salary for each extra day of employment.
- 3. If the state increases the number of days during the life of this contract, the Board and the Federation agrees to negotiate the effect of the change.
- 4. Teachers should be apprised of their probable teaching assignments for the next school year by the last attendance day of the school year.

#### B. Teacher Work Day

- 1. The regular employee work day shall begin twenty (20) minutes before classes begin and end twenty (20) minutes after regular classes end. During each workday the employee shall be entitled to a duty free lunch period not less than thirty (30) minutes in length. The regular employee workday shall not extend beyond 7.5 hours.
- 2. Each full-time teacher shall have a planning period of at least thirty (30) continuous minutes per day in addition to a lunch period, being guaranteed prep time of the length of other junior or senior high school teachers if assigned to that level for the majority of instructional periods.
- 3. A teacher who is requested to perform substitution duties during their regular

assigned planning period shall be compensated at the rate of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per each period worked. If classed are doubled up the teacher who is left in charge shall also receive twenty dollars (\$20.00). In the event that a specialist is absent and the classroom teacher has to remain with the students, he/she shall also be paid the twenty dollars (\$20.00).

- 4. The normal teacher workday set forth in Article IIIB1 shall not apply to:
  - a. K-12 faculty meetings that are scheduled outside of the regular workday and other specially scheduled faculty meetings or committee meetings for which the Administration shall give at least 24 hours advance notice, if at all possible.
  - b. Conferences between employees and student/parent/administration as scheduled by mutual consent of those involved;
  - c. An evening open house;
  - d. Staffing's for which the administration shall give at least 24 hours advance notice, if at all possible;
  - e. Emergencies;
  - f. Hearings;
  - g. Events, which affect those employees, hired under the extra duty stipend schedule for which compensation is received.
- 5. When a teacher relinquishes their contractual right to a planning period due to their choice to accept an additional single period teaching assignment, they will be compensated and additional 1/8 of their teaching salary for that school year.

#### C. Personnel Files

- 1. No evaluative materials shall be placed in the file unless the teacher has been offered the opportunity to read such materials. The teacher shall acknowledge that he/she has read any materials evaluative in nature, by affixing his/her signature to the copy to be filed.
- 2. The teacher shall have the right to respond to any material filed and his/her response shall be attached to the file copy within 10 days of material being placed in their personnel file.
- 3. Upon appropriate written request by the teacher, he/she shall be permitted to examine his/her file in the presence of a representative of the Board and a colleague of the teacher's choice.

4. The teacher shall be permitted to reproduce at his/her own expense any materials in such file, except management planning materials or documents, which are otherwise confidential under the Personnel Records Act.

#### D. Evaluations

- 1. The parties agree that the primary objective of the program to evaluate classroom teaching performance is to improve the quality of instruction.
- 2. The parties further recognize the value and importance of establishing a procedure for evaluating and assisting the classroom teaching progress and success of both non-tenured and tenured teachers.
- 3. Formal evaluation of classroom teaching performance shall be in accordance with the following criteria:
  - 1) Non-tenured teachers shall be formally observed at least twice per school year. The first formal observation shall be no later than November 15; any other formal observations to take place between November 16 and March 30.
  - 2) Tenured teachers shall be evaluated in writing at least once every two (2) years.
  - 3) Summative evaluation for every teacher will include formal observations, informal observations, and student growth. Administrators will work collaboratively when appropriate to produce the evaluations.
  - 3) The formal observation by building level personnel will be for a teaching segment of time no less than thirty (30) minutes, or a full class period or a full lesson.
  - 4) All formal observations of teachers shall be conducted openly and with the full knowledge of the teacher.
  - 6) The written evaluation shall be provided to the teacher within five (5) school days of the formal observation. The formal evaluation document may be amended by the building level personnel at the time of the post-observation conference.
  - 7) If a teacher feels the formal written evaluation of classroom teaching was incomplete or inaccurate, the teacher shall have the right to submit a written reply to such material and to attach it to the file copy. The response shall be filed within 5 days of the post-observation conference.
  - 8) The principal shall hold a post-observation conference with the teacher within ten (10) school days of the formal observation.

- 9) All observation and evaluation forms shall require the signature of the evaluator or observer and the teacher. These standard forms shall contain the statement "I have read and (do/do not) agree with the above" followed by space for the teacher's signature. The district will keep one copy and the teacher will receive a copy of the signed evaluation.
- 4. The Administration/Board and Union will meet at least once annually to assess the effectiveness of the evaluation tool/process and to agree on changes if any.

#### E. Posting of Positions

All open certified teaching as well as co curricular/extra-curricular positions must be posted for ten (10) days and any bargaining unit member who is qualified and applies for said posted position shall be granted an interview prior to the position being filled.

#### F. Union Dues Authorization

For each bargaining unity member who is full-time employee or who teaches two or more class periods per day in a position for a complete school term, as a condition of his/her employment, on or before thirty (30) days from the date of commencement of duties or the effective date of this Agreement, whichever is later, who elects to join the Federation the Board agrees to authorize deductions in accordance with the terms under which an employee voluntarily authorized said deductions. Dues revocations are processed by the union. In the event that an employee revokes his/her dues in accordance with the terms in which they authorized the dues deductions, the Union will notify the employer after the close of the revocations window.

The Union agrees to indemnify and hold the Board harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits, orders, or judgments or other forms of liability (monetary or otherwise) brought or issued against the Board and for all legal costs that may arise out of, or by reason of, any action taken or not taken by the Board under the provisions of this Section. If an improper deduction is made and remitted to the Union, then the Union shall promptly refund any excess amount directly to the member involved.

#### G. FOIA request of Membership Information

The Union shall be notified within one calendar day of the employer's receipt of a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests that asks for information about any bargaining unit member, including, but not limited to, names, email addresses, any part of a home address, or list of members of the union, dues payers, or non-members.

# ARTICLE IV SICK/PERSONAL DAYS

- A. All full-time teachers with 0-29 total service years shall be granted eleven (11) days per school year to be used as sick days. All full time teachers who:
  - 1) Are eligible for the tier I retirement system and
  - 2) Have accumulated at least two hundred-twenty (220) sick days according to TRS &
  - 3) Have accumulated 30 total service years or more will be granted thirty-five (35) days per school year to be used as sick days

If any teacher does not use the full amount of sick days, the unused portion will be allowed to accumulate from year to year to a total of three hundred and eighty (380) days. Sick leave shall be interpreted to mean personal illness, quarantine at home, or serious illness or death in the immediate family or household. Bereavement, which is not covered under School Code will be allowed upon the approval of the Administration and will be considered sick leave.

- B. All full-time teachers (4 clock hrs. /5 days/week as described in TRS manual, chapter 5, page 4) shall be granted five (5) days per school year to be used as personal days. Unused personal days shall accumulate as sick days or be paid at the current substitute teacher rate. TRS definition of full-time teacher shall not be used to determine seniority.
- C. Voluntary Sick Leave Lottery

All full-time teachers shall be granted access to a sick leave lottery should a need arise from an extended illness/bereavement, which requires an absence beyond the number of sick leave days that employee may have accumulated. The following procedure would be followed:

- 1) The full-time teacher needing additional days would petition in writing for those days from the district through a sick leave lottery.
- 2) The Superintendent or his/her designee and the Union President or his/her designee will meet to approve or deny the request utilizing the following criteria:
  - 1) statement of request from the teacher; 2) certification of illness by a physician;
  - 3) proof of need-exhaustion of his/her accumulated sick leave and personal leave. This recommendation for approval (or if a consensus cannot be reached) will be submitted to the Board of Education for final approval.
- 3) The union rep would ask any full-time teachers who have more than fifty (50) days of accumulated sick leave of the request. A teacher, who shall remain anonymous, may voluntarily contribute to the lottery by notifying the administration in writing of his/her wish to contribute indicating the recipient teacher and the number of sick leave days to be notated. No teacher would be required to participate in this lottery.
- 4) At the end of the school year, the Union President or his/her designee and a representative from the district office will put all names into a pool and draw enough

- names to cover the days needed by the petitioner. All unused sick day donations will be returned to the donors.
- 5) Each teacher receiving donated sick days will be limited to a maximum of 40 donated days over a period of two consecutive years, unless the Board approves an extended leave for mitigating circumstances.
- D. Sick/personal days shall be taken in increments of ½ days.
- E. Personal leave days are to be requested a minimum of 2 days before the day that the teacher will be absent from the building. Although the administration will make every effort to grant a personal leave day, approval of such a day is contingent upon whether the district can cover the teacher's assigned duties. Employees are discouraged from requesting personal leave the day immediately before or after a break or holiday as well as during the first or last week of a semester. Personal leave days are usually not successive; however, the superintendent may grant exceptions if the teacher can prove the need to take up to 3 consecutive personal leave days.

## ARTICLE V SALARY AND BENEFITS

#### A. Insurance

- 1. The Board shall provide health and life insurance coverage for each teacher employed on a full-time basis.
- 2. Changes in insurance coverage shall be the sole responsibility of the Board of Education with input from the teachers. The board shall attempt to retain the present health insurance carrier (United Health Care) for the term of this 3-year agreement.
- 3. Each covered employee shall have the option to purchase dependent coverage at his/her own expense.
- 4. An employee who leaves the district shall have the option of taking the value of the insurance coverage or continuing the coverage until the earned benefit is used up.

#### B. Salary

1. All teachers shall have the option to be paid on the basis of twenty-four equal payments. Teachers who elect to receive their paychecks over ten months will receive their twentieth paycheck on the 20<sup>th</sup> of June.

- 2. Teachers will be paid on the 5<sup>th</sup> and the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Should the 5<sup>th</sup> and the 20<sup>th</sup> occur on a weekend, the check will be issued on the Friday before. Should the 5<sup>th</sup> or the 20<sup>th</sup> occur on a non-attendance day during the regular school year, the check will be issued on the last workday prior to the 5<sup>th</sup> or the 20<sup>th</sup>. This does not apply to January 5<sup>th</sup>.
- 3. See attachments for salary schedules and extra duty pay schedules.
- 4. An employee who leaves the district shall have the option of receiving earned salary in a lump sum payment or continuing to receive his/her checks on 5<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.
- 5. Any teacher who is considered by TRS eligible for retirement without penalty to the district or the individual and who submits an irrevocable letter of resignation by December 15<sup>th</sup> of the year two years prior to the year of his/her retirement will be paid an incentive in his/her last 3 years of service. The incentive will be a raise in salary of the full amount of 6% allowed by TRS each of the last three years; this 6% would include any step increase, additional stipends, or raise negotiated for all teachers. If a teacher gives less than a 3-year notice, he/she will receive the full 6% allowable by TRS per year remaining. To receive the retirement incentive, the teacher must retire from Astoria CUSD #1. If the teacher elects to leave Astoria, he/she will repay all incentive moneys received plus a 4% penalty.

If a teacher goes beyond the agreed upon retirement date, he/she has two options:

#### OPTION 1:

Repay the portion of the incentive that is beyond the salary increase he/she would have received under the contract plus 4% interest penalty for every year taught beyond the agreed upon date.

#### **OPTION 2:**

If unforeseen events have prevented non-penalized retirement from Astoria CUSD#1 after incentive payments have begun, the teacher may

- 1. Continue employment and retire at the 1<sup>st</sup> available non-penalized opportunity (at the end of a semester or an agreed upon date).
- 2. Refund the portion of the incentive that is beyond the salary increase he/she would have received under the contract plus 4% interest penalty for every year taught beyond the specified retirement date.

The teacher will receive the board paid health insurance package all 3 years of the contract. Teachers will receive a salary increase of 5% for 2019-20; 5% increase in 2020-

21 and a 5% increase in 2021-22, 5% increase in 2022-23, 4% increase in 2023-24, which is the duration of this agreement.

In order for the teacher to be eligible for the retirement bonus, the following must be met:

- a) Must meet the guidelines of TRS for non-penalized retirement [which as of June 30, 2004, means that the teacher must be at least fifty-five (55) years of age at the date of their retirement and have at least thirty-four (35) years of creditable service with the Illinois Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) at the date of their retirement which includes all earned TRS credit, any purchased optional TRS service credit, and any TRS sick leave credit being used by the teacher for service credit or the teacher must be at least sixty (60) years of age and have ten (10) years of service with TRS or be at least sixty-two (62) years of age and have five (5) years of service with TRS].
- b) The teacher must have served Astoria CUSD#1 for a minimum of 16 years to receive the retirement incentive.
- c) This offer applies only to teachers who meet TRS eligibility for non-penalized retirement for the term of this 3-year agreement.

Any retirement incentive for which the teacher is due shall be paid with the receipt of the teacher's final paycheck.

5. Additional incentives, providing for by law and considered mutually advantageous, may be negotiated with retiring teachers.

#### C. Professional Advancement

- 1. The Board shall reimburse each teacher for the cost of tuition for up to three (3) hours per semester per school year upon evidence of successful completion (B or better) of administratively approved course work. Administrative written approval must be obtained prior to enrollment. For the purpose of this article only, the school year shall be defined to run from September 1 through August 31 of the next year. A teacher working toward National Board Certification will receive the equivalent of 6-semester hours reimbursement up to or at Western Illinois University graduate credit rates.
- 2. The Board shall grant one (1) semester hour of credit on the salary schedule upon evidence of successful completion for each 15 hours of a single topic administratively approved workshop. Administrative written approval must be obtained prior to attendance at the workshop.
- 3. Salary schedule adjustments shall be made in the current year for all hours turned in by September 1 of that year.

- 4. Should the District request that a teacher take courses to become certified in an area to which the District wants to assign him/her, the District shall reimburse the teacher for costs of tuition, materials, and mileage.
- 5. Employees who are off the salary schedule shall be paid \$400 for each 8-semester hours, which are completed in accordance with this section of Article V like those on the schedule.
- D. The district shall pay and tax shelter the employee's TRS contribution to a maximum of 9.8901%.

# ARTICLE VI DISTRICT JOINT COMMITTEES

In order to facilitate the needs of the district and to meet ISBE requirements, the Astoria CUSD #1 shall have joint working committees, which include, but are not limited to the following.

- 1. Curriculum committee: Annually a committee of volunteers will be formed to review the curriculum alignment within the district, look at classroom resource needs, and other matters pertaining to the curriculum of the district from pre-K 12<sup>th</sup> grade. The committee will consist of at least 3 teachers, at least 1 administrator, and at least 1 board member. There will be a maximum of 8 members. The committee will meet at least once a semester.
- 2. Insurance Committee: A district insurance committee will be established with the following participants: at least two current bargaining unit members, the district business manager, at least one member of the board, and an administrator. This committee will meet at least one time annually to review and discuss insurance trends and options, consider insurance renewals, and prepare any recommendations for plan design changes to be presented to the board and the bargaining unit.
- 3. District Safety committee (as defined by The School Code)
- 4. RIF Committee (as defined by the The School Code)
- 5. PERA Committee (as defined by the The School Code)

# ARTICLE VII GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

The Board and the Federation agree that all grievances shall be resolved as quickly as possible and at the lowest step possible. Hearings and conferences held under this procedure shall be conducted at a time and place, which will afford a fair and equitable opportunity to participate to all persons involved in the process.

#### 1. Definitions

1.1 A grievance is a claim by the Federation, a teacher, or group of teachers involving an

alleged violation, misinterpretation, or misapplication of the terms of this agreement.

- 1.2 A dispute or difference of opinion raised by an employee or the Federation involving the meaning, interpretation, or application of established district policies.
- 1.3 A dispute or difference of opinion raised by an employee or the Federation involving the meaning, interpretation, or application of civil rights legislation such as Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Illinois Human Rights Act of 1980, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the Illinois School Code Sex Equity Rules of 1985.

#### A GRIEVANT IS:

1.4 Any employee submitting a grievance in their own behalf or the Federation submitting a grievance on behalf of one or more employees.

#### TIMELINES:

1.5 All time limits shall consist of school days, except that when a grievance is submitted less than ten (10) days before the close of the current school term, time limits shall consist of all weekdays.

#### 2. Procedure

It is usually most desirable for a grievant and the principal or immediately involved supervisor to resolve problems through free and informal communications. Therefore, nothing contained herein shall be construed as limiting the right of a grievant to discuss the matter informally with his/her supervisor and having the grievance adjusted, provided the adjustment is not inconsistent with the terms of the agreement. If an adjustment is made, a second meeting will be held if the grievant so requests to discuss said adjustment in the presence of a representative. If, however, such informal processes fail to satisfy the grievant, a grievance may be processed as follows:

- 2.1 Step A The grievant (or representative) shall present the grievance in writing within ten (10) days of the occurrence of the event giving rise to the grievance, or within ten (10) days of the time the grievant should have known of the occurrence of the event, specifying the alleged violation and stating the remedy sought, to the supervisor immediately involved. The supervisor shall provide a written answer to the grievant within ten (10) days after the receipt of the grievance.
- 2.2 Step B If the grievance is not resolved at Step A, the grievant (or representative) may refer the grievance to the Superintendent or official designee within ten (10) days after the receipt of the Step A answer. The Superintendent shall arrange for a meeting to take place within ten (10) days of his/her receipt of the appeal. Within ten (10) days of the meeting, the grievant shall be provided with the Superintendent's written response.
- 2.3 Step C If the grievant is not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance at Step B, the grievant may submit the grievance to the Board of Education within ten (10) days after receipt of the Superintendent's written response. The Board shall allow the grievant

to present his/her case to the Board in executive session at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting provided the Board has at least five (5) days notice of said appeal, the grievance shall be heard at a Special meeting to be called within fifteen (15) days of the filing of said appeal. If an appeal to the Board is not filed within ten (10) days of the Step B response, the grievance shall be deemed withdrawn.

- 2.4.1 Step D If the grievant is not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance at Step C or ten (10) days pass without the issuance of the Board's decision, the Federation may submit the grievance to final and binding arbitration under the Voluntary Labor Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association, to Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, or to a mutually agreeable arbitrator, which shall act as the administrator of the proceedings. Upon mutual agreement, The Expedited Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association shall be used.
- 2.4.2 If a demand for arbitration is not filed within thirty (30) days of the date for the Step C decision, then the grievance shall be deemed withdrawn.
  - 2.4.2.1 The arbitrator, in his/her decision, shall not amend, modify, nullify, ignore or add to the provision of this Agreement. His/her authority shall be strictly limited to deciding only the issues presented to him/her in writing by the School District and the Federation, and his/her interpretation of the meaning or application of the express relevant language of the Agreement.
  - 2.4.2.2. Each party shall bear the full costs for its representation in the grievance procedure.
  - 2.4.2.3. If the presence of a court reporter is requested, the requesting party shall bear the full cost of the reporter. If both parties request the presence of a court reporter, the cost shall be shared equally. If either party requests a transcript of the proceedings, that party shall bear full costs for transcript. If both parties order a transcript, the costs of the two transcripts shall be divided equally between the Board and the Federation.
  - 2.4.2.4. Each party shall share equally the cost of the arbitrator and the AAA.

#### 3. Conditions

- 3.1 Failure of a grievant to act on any grievance within the prescribed time limits will bar any further appeal.
  - 3.1.1. Time limits shall be extended by mutual written consent.
  - 3.1.2. The grievant and the Board may mutually agree to expedite any or all of Step A through D by waiving or decreasing the time limits set forth in those steps.
  - 3.1.3. Step A of the grievance procedure may be by-passed and the grievance

brought directly to Step B if mutually agreed upon by the grievant and the Superintendent.

- 3.1.4. If the Board representative at the informal step, Step A and Step B is the same person, Step B may be waived.
- 3.2 Any investigation, handling, or processing of any grievance by the grievant shall be conducted so that instructional programs and related work activities of the grievant or the teaching staff is not interrupted.
- 3.3 With the Superintendent's approval, the grievant may be released from his/her regular assignment without loss of pay or benefits to attend the meetings specified in 2 Step A-D.
- 3.4 Class grievances involving one or more grievant or one or more supervisors and grievances involving an administrator above the building level may be initially filed by the Federation at Step B.
- 3.5 The Board acknowledges the right of the grievant to have a representative present, if the grievant requests one, at any stage of the procedure. No grievant shall be required to discuss any grievance if the representative is not present, if one is requested.
- 3.6 No reprisals shall be taken by the Board or the administration against a grievant because of his/her participation in a grievance.
- 3.7 All records related to grievance shall be filed separately from the personnel files of the teachers
- 3.8 A grievance may be withdrawn at any level without establishing precedent.
- 3.9 A grievance may be settled at any level without establishing precedent.
- 3.10 If an arbitrator has been selected and an arbitration hearing set, any part postponing that hearing shall bear the full cost of that postponement.
- 3.11 If the grievant or representative files any claim of complaint in any forum other than under the grievance procedure of this Agreement, then the Board shall not be required to process the said claim or set of facts through the grievance procedure.

# ARTICLE VIII MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

A. The Board retains and reserves to itself all rights, powers, privileges, duties, responsibilities and authority conferred upon and vested in it by law, whether exercised or not, including, but not limited to, the right to operate, manage, control, organize, and

maintain the School District and in all respects carry out the ordinary and customary functions of management and to adopt policies, rules, regulations, and practices in furtherance thereof.

- B. The Board's exercise of its rights, powers, privileges, duties, responsibilities, and authority and the adoption by the Board of policies, rules, regulations, and practices in furtherance thereof shall be limited only by the specific and express terms of this Agreement.
- C. Neither the Federation nor the Board waive the rights guaranteed them under the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act.

# ARTICLE IX LABOR-MANAGEMENT CONFERENCES

The parties agree that private labor-management conferences may be requested by the Federation, Board of Superintendent. These conferences shall not be construed as collective bargaining. Conferences will be conducted in the interest of advancing open communication, mutual problem solving and general cooperation. Any such conference will be scheduled at times and places of mutual consent. The party requesting the conference shall prepare and submit the proposed agenda to the other party one-week prior to the scheduled meeting date. If there is no agenda prepared and submitted by the requesting party, there shall be no meeting. Either party may add to the agenda no later than three (3) days prior to the scheduled meeting unless otherwise mutually agreed. The number of persons to attend each meeting shall not exceed three (3) from each side. The parties may by mutual agreement agree to the frequency of meetings, or to a greater number of meeting attendees.

# ARTICLE X SENIORITY

Seniority shall be defined as the length of full-time (as defined by IL.School Code) continuous service to the District and shall be applied district-wide in the bargaining unit. Upon employment, each employee shall receive a Seniority Date which shall be the date the Board approved his/her employment or the first day of actual work, whichever is earlier. If two or more employees have the same Seniority Date, the date of the employee's application date shall be senior. If two or more employees still have the same seniority, the Employer or administrator shall conduct a drawing of lots witnessed by the affected employees and an authorized Federation representative. A seniority list shall be prepared annually by the Employer and delivered to the Federation President no later than February 1 of each year.

# ARTICLE XI FORCE AND EFFECT

A.	This agreement is intended to supplement the provisions of the Illinois School Code. Any article, section or clause of this agreement which violates state law will be null and void and subject to renegotiation.				
B.	This agreement shall become effective upon approval of the Board of Education and a majority vote of the Astoria Federation of Teachers.				
C.	This agreement shall remain in full force and effect from the date of ratification through June 30, 2024.				
The Board of Education and Astoria Federation of Teachers/IFT/AFT pledge their continuing efforts to providing the best possible educational opportunities for the students of the District, and the best possible conditions for the performance of professional services.					
In witn	ness thereof:				
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Preside	ent	President			
Date		Date			
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Date

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1	30677	32211	33821	35512	36933
2	31115	32670	34304	36019	37460
3	31558	33136	34792	36532	37993
4	32012	33613	35294	37058	38541
5	32474	34098	35803	37593	39097
6	32945	34592	36322	38138	39663
7	33423	35094	36848	38691	40238
8	33908	35603	37383	39252	40822
9	34398	36118	37924	39820	41413
10	34903	36648	38481	40405	42021
11	35411	37182	39041	40993	42633
12	35922	37718	39604	41584	43247
13	36437	38259	40172	42180	43868
14	36948	38796	40736	42772	44483
15	37487	39361	41330	43396	45132
16	38007	39907	41903	43998	45758
17	38528	40454	42477	44601	46385
18	39126	41082	43137	45293	47105
19	39764	41752	43839	46031	47872
20	40406	42426	44548	46775	48646
21	41045	43097	45252	47514	49415
22	41683	43767	45955	48253	50183
23	42324	44441	46663	48996	50956
24	42966	45114	47370	49739	51728
25	43714	45899	48194	50604	52628
26	44462	46685	49020	51471	53529
27	45115	47371	49740	52227	54316
28	45779	48068	50471	52995	55115
29	46449	48771	51210	53770	55921
30	47129	49486	51960	54558	56740
31	47821	50212	52723	55359	57573
32	48522	50948	53495	56170	58417
33	49233	51695	54280	56994	59274
34	49957	52455	55077	57831	60145
2	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24

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Movement across the salary schedule will increase \$470 per increments of 8 credits, ie: (8, 16, 24, Master's Degree, +8M, +16M, +32M earned per approved classes or program. Credits/classes/programs must be approved by the superintendent.

# APPENDIX A SALARY SCHEDULES Astoria C.U.S.D.#1

Position	Percent of Base
Athletic Director (5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> Athletics/Girls) (5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> Athletics/Boys)	1.0 % 1.0%
Weight Lifting/Summer Gym/Computer lab supervisor Concession worker beyond regular season games Yearbook HS Play Director Asst. Play Director	\$10 per hour (max \$20 per day) \$20 per day 5.0 % 5.0 % 3.0%
JH Play Director Marching Band/Pep Band Art Club Business Club	5.0 % 8.0% 1.0 % 1.0%
Student Council Spanish Club FFA FCCLA	4.0% 1.0 % 10% 1.0 %
HS Scholastic Bowl JH Scholastic Bowl SWAT Prom Coordinator	3.5 % 2.0 % 2.0% 5.0%
Concession Coordinator JH Speech National Honor Society Grade 12 Sponsor (2) Grade 11 Sponsor (2)	5.0% 4.0 % 3.0% 2.0% 2.0%
Grade 10 Sponsor (3) Grade 9 Sponsor (3) Grade 8 Sponsor (2) JH Incentive STEAM	6.0% 6.0% 1.5 % 3.5 % 5.0%

If a position requires more than one sponsor, the sponsors shall share the stipend.

# Co-Op Coaches/Sponsor Salary Schedule

This schedule uses the higher base and higher percentage from both schools and pays all applicable retirement.

	% of		7.65% FICA Paid	
	Higher		9.8901% TRS	
Position	Base	Salary	Paid	Total Salary
			(TRS shown)	
Athletic Director	25	\$7,725	\$764	\$8,489
HS Varsity Basketball	14	\$4,326	\$428	\$4,754
(both boys & girls)				
HS Asst. Basketball	10	\$3,090	\$306	\$3,396
(boys & girls)				
HS Varsity Football	14	\$4,326	\$428	\$4,754
HS Asst. Football	10	\$3,090	\$306	\$3,396
HS Varsity Volleyball	14	\$4,326	\$428	\$4,754
HS Asst. Volleyball	10	\$3,090	\$306	\$3,396
HS Varsity Softball	14	\$4,326	\$428	\$4,754
HS Asst. Softball	10	\$3,090	\$306	\$3,396
<b>HS Varsity Baseball</b>	14	\$4,326	\$428	\$4,754
HS Asst. Baseball	10	\$3,090	\$306	\$3,396
8th Gr. Basketball	10	\$3,090	\$306	\$3,396
(boys & girls)				
7th Gr. Basketball	10	\$3,090	\$306	\$3,396
(boys & girls)				
8th Gr. Football	10	\$3,090	\$306	\$3,396
7th Gr. Football	10	\$3,090	\$306	\$3,396
8th Gr. Volleyball	10	\$3,090	\$306	\$3,396
7th Gr. Volleyball	10	\$3,090	\$306	\$3,396
JH Track	10	\$3,090	\$306	\$3,396
HS Track	14	\$4,326	\$428	\$4,754
Bookkeeper	5	\$1,545	\$153	\$1,698
	V.I.T.	Astoria		
2019-20	Base	Base		
	\$30,900.00	30,249		