

Negotiated Rule Making Process Design Meeting
January 20, 2007, Kent, Washington

This meeting continued discussion started in Pasco on January 6, 2007. Participants provided input on the recommendations from the Pasco audience, and then focused on topic areas the Pasco audience did not address. There were about 85 people at this meeting.

The participants discussed what “foundational” information would be used during the future negotiation meetings. There was also discussion and decisions on what guidelines would be used during the negotiations. Suggestions were given on how the “Negotiating Rule Making” team will consider alternative viewpoints, how decisions will be made and what should happen if no agreements can be reached. Both the Pasco and Kent participants expressed understanding that these operating suggestions would be reviewed by the “Negotiating Rule Making” team, and that the Team’s own decision making process could change or override any of these recommendations.

Karen Hart (SEIU) and Gary Burriss (DEL) agreed to take on responsibility for the next steps. They will:

- Notify committee members and suggest dates for the first meeting, aiming for the first week in March (access will be a factor).
- Locate and reserve a meeting room.
- Post meeting information (time, place agenda topics, etc.) on the DEL and SEIU web sites. The first meeting(s) will likely involve refining the Team’s operating guidelines.
- Solicit recommendations for parent participants from stakeholder groups.

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