The Mt. San Jacinto College (“MSJC”) bargaining team met with the California School Employees Association, Chapter 767 (“CSEA”) bargaining team on September 29, 2015 for our third bargaining session of the 2015-2016 negotiations. Negotiations commenced at approximately 8:15 a.m. CESA started with a discussion of its bargaining position and there was an in-depth discussion of budgetary issues facing MSJC.

At 9:01 a.m., a caucus was called until 10:00 a.m. At approximately 9:45 a.m., CSEA sent a text message to MSJC’s bargaining team indicating that it needed an additional hour of caucus.

At 10:45 a.m., negotiations resumed and CSEA presented a proposal. CSEA’s proposal contained revisions of several articles of the collective bargaining agreement that were not contained in the 11 articles for which CSEA had presented to the Board of Trustees for 2015-2016 negotiations. This presentation (also called “sun shining” is required prior to negotiations commencing on a topic). CSEA agreed to sunshine these articles at the October 8 meeting of the Board of Trustees, and no discussion occurred concerning these articles. CSEA used the remainder of the bargaining session presenting its proposal. CSEA was unable to complete its presentation in the time remaining for the session. Negotiations concluded at 12:00 p.m.

The next bargaining session is scheduled for October 13, 2015. After negotiations concluded, the parties scheduled one additional bargaining session on November 18, 2015.