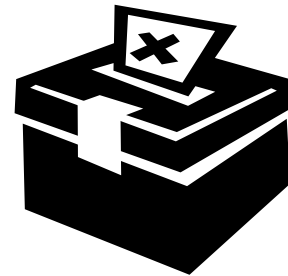




UTLA members overwhelmingly approve contract agreement

By a wide margin, UTLA members voted to approve the contract agreement reached with LAUSD, with 81.44% of the members voting yes on the agreement and 18.56% voting no. A total of 16,354 ballots were cast. Votes were counted at UTLA headquarters and posted on the website today, June 18.

The agreement contains solid improvements in contract language that will help make schools safer, expand teacher involvement in professional development, and create a panel on making pay more competitive with other districts. The new contract also removes a section that contains dismissal penalties for publicizing grievances and includes a no-reprisal clause for UTLA actions in support of the contract, including our one-hour walkout last June 6.



The tentative agreement is a multiyear deal, with limited reopeners in '09-'10 and '10-'11. The full text of the agreement is posted on utla.net. The agreement will now be voted on by the LAUSD School Board.

Fight against layoffs and class-size increases goes on!

Pack the final School Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 23, 1 p.m.

The LAUSD School Board will be voting on the 2009-2010 budget, a budget that will raise class size across the District and give final approval to massive layoffs of teachers and other school staff. ***Be there to say NO to the "anti-student" budget!***