District 97’s PERA Joint Committee met on Friday, October 30, 2015. The following items were discussed at this first meeting:

- Broad understanding of the Joint Committee’s Timeline- Small group discussion about overall hopes, expectations, and initial impressions regarding the committee’s work.
- Discussion about utilizing an outside coach or consultant to assist with the process of implementing PERA in District 97
- Acknowledging that the ten committee members “are one” and unified in developing an implementation of PERA that benefits administrators, teaching staff, and most importantly, District 97 students.
- Organization of subcommittee work to help expedite the implementation process, such as establishing lines of communication with teaching staff and public posting of minutes and discussed items on district website,

The following topics will be addressed at the next Joint Committee Meeting:

- Meeting norms
- Detailed examination of timeline for implementation

The agenda for the first meeting is attached.

Summary by Ashley Kannan and Dr. Carrie Kamm-PERA Joint Committee Members