

Article 6: Interpreting the Contract

- 6.01 REQUESTS FOR INTERPRETATION:** Inquiries as to the meaning of Contract language shall be submitted in writing to either an AFA representative or a District representative, or in matters related to evaluations and tenure review, queries shall be directed to the District Tenure Review and Evaluation Committee (DTREC).
- 6.02 DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE:** Upon receipt of written inquiry, the two representatives shall consult promptly (within ten [10] working days of receipt) and render an interpretation.
- 6.03 RECORD OF INTERPRETATION:** The interpretation shall be recorded in an agreed-upon form and, if agreement is reached, signed by both parties.
- 6.04 INTERPRETATION AS MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT:** This agreement of the interpretation will be transmitted back to the inquiring party(ies) and attached to reference copies of the Contract to, in essence, become an ongoing part of the Contract.
- 6.05 RESOLUTION OF DISAGREEMENT:** If the consulting party(ies) cannot reach agreement, then each will record their interpretation of the language in question and maintain these interpretations until either a grievance process resolves the matter or the issue is concluded as part of a formal Contract negotiating opportunity.