ARTICLE 3. DEFINITIONS
SECTION 1. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

“Terms and Conditions of Employment” shall mean the hours of employment, the compensation therefore including fringe benefits except retirement contributions or benefits, and the personnel policies affecting the working conditions of the teachers, but does not mean education policies of the District.

SECTION 2. TEACHER. “Teacher” shall mean any member of the appropriate unit but not substitute teachers except for those provisions that expressly state their inclusion.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATE UNIT. The appropriate unit shall consist of all teachers of Independent School District No. 625, Saint Paul, Minnesota, as defined in Minnesota Statute (M.S.) §179A.03, Subd. 18, employed in a position for which the person must be licensed by the Minnesota Department of Education (DOE) PELSB, including those on leave of absence who are guaranteed a position upon their return, excluding the following employees: supervisory employees, confidential employees, superintendents, principals and assistant principals who devote more than 50% of their time to administrative and supervisory duties; any paraprofessional educational assistant or teaching assistant positions whether or not they are required to hold a certificate of license issued by the Minnesota DOE PELSB, and all other employees.

As so defined, the appropriate unit includes classroom, helping, resource, itinerant, and homebound teachers, specialists, physical and occupational therapists, music therapists, art therapists, pre-k, nurses, librarians, counselors, school social workers, school psychologists, teacher-coordinators, administrative interns and administrative assistants, consultants, lead teachers, team leaders, and other classifications which are also within the definition of the appropriate unit.