## 4.17 ASSOCIATION LEAVE

The Association shall be provided a maximum aggregate of ten (10) days leave of absence without loss of pay in any school year for matters related to the Association's function as a bargaining agent. Days not used shall not be cumulative from year to year. The Association shall pay for any substitutes assigned due to the use of this leave. The cost for such substitutes shall be paid by the Association within thirty (30) days of receipt of a District invoice. Association leave must be requested at least five (5) days in advance, approved by the appropriate administrator, and approved by the Executive Vice Chancellor of Human Resources as to availability of leave time. The use of Association leave shall be accounted for in the same manner as the use of sick leave for a day or portion of a day.