

**ARTICLE NINETEEN**  
**NO STRIKE/NO LOCKOUT**

- A. The BTU-TSP, its officers, agents, representatives and employees agree that will not strike, as defined by the Public Employees Relations Act and agree not to participate in a strike against the Board by inciting or supporting, in any positive manner, a strike. "Strike" means the concerted failure of employees to report for duty; the concerted absence of employees from their positions; the concerted stoppage of work by employees; the concerted submission of resignations by employees; the concerted abstinence in whole or in part by any group of employees from the full and faithful performance of the duties of employment with the public employer for the purpose of inducing, influencing, condoning, or coercing a change in the terms and conditions of employment or the rights, privileges, or obligations of public employment, or participating in a deliberate and concerted course of conduct which adversely affects the services of the public employer; the concerted failure of employees to report for work after the expiration of a collective bargaining agreement; and picketing in furtherance of a work stoppage. The term "strike" shall also mean any overt preparation, including, but not limited to, the establishment of strike funds with regard to the above-listed activities.
- B. The Board agrees that it will not authorize, cause, or engage in any lockout of employees unless a lockout should become necessary for the protection of the employer's property.