AA Proposal

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Maintain the Pre-Arbitration Conference and enhance with the following improvements:

- Add the presence of a recognized mediator/arbitrator as a facilitator at the conference. When possible the mediator/facilitator should be one from an approved list of facilitators/ mediators for the System Board of Adjustment.
- The conferences will meet quarterly, or as agreed by the parties. There will be, at a minimum, four Pre-Arbitration Conferences per year.
- Conferences will be scheduled so as to allow a thorough discussion of the cases submitted a minimum of one day per four cases.
- Each party will provide position statements and supporting documents 5 days in advance of the Pre-Arbitration Conference date.
- The conference will be attended by an authorized settlement agent from each side in an attempt to settle the cases.
- ~~Either party can cancel the Pre-Arbitration Conference Trial program with 30 days advance notice.~~