

## **Summertime Negotiation Blues (Fraser/MacIntyre)**

**(E, Am, B7)**

1. Spring session's over.... Summer's almost here

The time is right for beach and boats... For lobster and beer

But I'm stuck here... It's just these hallways I'll cruise

I've got them lowdown, no slowdown... Summertime negotiation blues

2. Coffee every morning... A muffin, not two

Lots of smiles but all the while... Let's not be confused

There's two sides to this table ... And it's surely win/lose

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3. More sugar in the coffee... Man what a rush

That NPE language... Turns a brain to mush

And I'm waking... To a world of bad news

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4. Write, fight, re-write... The ink doesn't dry

Clause, number, sub-clause... I wish I would die

And you can't win... All you seem to do is lose

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5. Back off Lois,... You know Calvin's only JOHS'n

But all that crap for lab instructors... You know we'll be tossin'

Yah, the Dean's gonna spring for... New lab coats and safety shoes

I've got them sit down, another round... Summertime negotiation blues

6. Rod talks of logic... I bet he can sing

But when it comes to flapping gums... I'm the Rhetoric King

And I'm listenin' ... More and more to my muse

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7. Now C...B...U...F...A... Spells C...B...U...F...U...

No more money in my pocket... But I've already paid my dues

I've got them spin around, go to town... Summertime negotiation blues

8. Money's on the table... Our wits at an end

But is this a package... that we can defend?

Our members all tell us... after years of getting screwed

We've got the pay-me-at-parity... Summertime negotiation blues.

9. Gordon's talks with Peter... Bring us closer to rest

We don't want to budge at all ... But we know it's the best

And they make us feel like... We're tryin' to steal the family jewels

I've got them profound, Holy Cow... Summertime negotiation blues

10. The deal's nearly done... My song's almost sung

Just ratifyin', no denyin'... It's been anything but fun

But there's light in this tunnel... And maybe a few boo hoo's

But no more nauseatin', intoxicatin'... Summertime negotiation blues