

CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF LABOR RELATIONS

BOARD MEETING

July 21, 2010

MINUTES

Present: Patricia V. Low, Wendella A. Battey, Robert A. Dellapina, Katherine C. Foley, Karen K. Buffkin, and Joanne Coligan

The meeting was called to order by Patricia V. Low at 9:33 a.m. The Board took a few moments to read over the Minutes of the May 19, 2010 Board Meeting.

I. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Upon a motion duly made by Patricia V. Low and seconded by Wendella A. Battey, the Board unanimously

VOTED to accept the Minutes of the May 19, 2010 Board Meeting as presented.

II. GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

- a.) **Decisions** - Karen Buffkin reported that since the last Board Meeting, three (3) decisions have been issued and four (4) decisions are expected to be issued in July which includes two (2) pending drafts.
- b.) **Scheduling** - Karen reported that deliberations are currently scheduled through August 3, 2010. As of this date, three (3) cases are ready to be scheduled for deliberations. Karen asked the Board what dates they are available in August to schedule these cases. Pat indicated that she is not available on August 24th but will be available anytime after August 31st. Karen indicated that she will start scheduling these cases for deliberations beginning August 31st.
- c.) **Review of Records** - Karen reported that three (3) records have been received and distributed to the Board since the last Board Meeting. She expects to have three (3) additional records ready for the Board by the end of July. She also noted that three (3) additional records are expected to come in during the month of August.
- d.) **Litigation** - Karen reported that we received the Supreme Court docket for September and the **Region 16 Board of Education (Decision #4270)** case could be scheduled for argument between September 7th and September 24th. She noted that if we do not make the September docket, she will argue the case instead of Alex because of its close proximity to her expected leave.

In **Town of Hamden (Decision #4343)**, the Union's counsel has requested extensions on their brief; currently, our brief is due on August 20th. We expect to receive the Union's brief either today or tomorrow. In the **Captains & Lieutenants (Decision #4249)** case, Karen noted that we are expecting the remand decision within the next day or so. Kathy Foley stated that when this case is ready to be scheduled, she will sit down with the Board to establish a date for the hearing. Wendella Battey stated that the hearing could be scheduled in the ordinary course, but Kathy reminded her that since this is an election issue, it should be given priority scheduling.

In Wallingford Board of Education/Council 4, AFSCME (MPP-28,119), Kathy Foley stated that the Union's attorney contacted her and inquired as to when the decision could be issued because the parties are in binding arbitration. She requested that the Board give priority to issuing this decision.

III. **AGENT'S REPORT**

- a.) **Statistics** - Kathy Foley distributed the end of year totals to the Board which reflects an increase of 45 cases filed over the previous year. She noted that 27 cases have been filed as of July 1, 2010 compared to 23 filed last year at this time. She reported that 29 cases have been closed and 320 cases remain.

IV. **OTHER BUSINESS**

Wendella Battey raised the issue of additional compensation for Finding of Facts in cases involving multiple days of hearing. It was decided that the matter be placed on the Agenda for next month's Board Meeting.

V. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was duly made by Patricia V. Low, seconded by Robert A. Dellapina, and it was unanimously

VOTED to adjourn the meeting.