

**CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF LABOR RELATIONS**

**BOARD MEETING
October 23, 2009**

MINUTES

Present: John W. Moore, Jr., Patricia V. Low, Wendella A. Battey,
Katherine C. Foley, Alexandra Gross and Joanne Coligan

The meeting was called to order by John W. Moore, Jr., Chairman, at 9:30 a.m.

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 September 17, 2009 Board Meeting as presented.

II. ACTING GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

- a.) **Scheduling** - Alex Gross reported that the Board picked up the record in Stratford & IAFF (MPP-27,746) yesterday. She noted that three cases are ready to be scheduled for deliberations and that deliberations are scheduled through November 2009.
- b.) **Review of Records** - Alex Gross reported that the record in Stratford & Council 4 (MPP-26,641 & MPP-26,713) is due in next week. She noted that several extensions have been granted in this case. She also noted that three records are expected to come in during the month of November. Alex stated that the Walsh case will be deliberated on Tuesday, October 27th.
- c.) **Litigation Update** - Alex Gross reported the following pending court cases:
1) **Locals 2863 et al v. Town of Hamden, SBLR (Appeal from Dec. No. 4343)** - Argument is scheduled for November 2nd in New Britain Superior Court; 2) **Region 16 Board of Education v. SBLR, Region 16 Education Association (Appeal from Dec. No. 4270)** - Case is in CT Supreme Court. Briefs have been submitted. Plaintiff's reply brief is due in November; 3) **State of CT, Public Safety & OLR, OPM v. SBLR et al (Appeal from Dec. No. 4249)** - Received notification that we might be on the next CT Supreme Court docket, which runs from November 30th thru December 11th. Alex stated that she will know for sure by next Friday, October 30th.

III. AGENT'S REPORT

Kathy Foley reported that deliberations for the Walsh case is scheduled for 12-noon on Tuesday, October 27th and interviews for the General Counsel position are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on Friday, October 30th.

Kathy reported that due to the lack of available space on the October calendar, the Board will be paid for reviewing the Objections to the Election in the Columbia & MEUI (ME-28,015) case on November 3rd. She noted that the Board's action on this case must be fast tracked. The Board will discuss this matter on October 27th.

Kathy reported that the Derby & Council 4 (MPP-27,589) Compliance Hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, November 4th. She noted that she has encouraged the City Attorney to withdraw the declaratory ruling (MDR-28,184) as not being the appropriate route on questions regarding compliance.

Statistics - Kathy reported that 212 cases have been filed so far this fiscal year as compared to 187 cases filed at this time last year - an increase of 25 cases. She reported that 217 cases have been closed during this time period and 307 remain open.

Budget - Kathy reported that the budget situation has not improved. She stated that the \$750,000 pool remains in effect and that Bob Merola has been fighting on our behalf in Hartford to make it clear that we cannot function on this amount of money. Pat Low asked if it is known at this time what remains of the \$750,000. Kathy said that is too early to say; they are still working on increasing this amount.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

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

VOTED to adjourn the meeting.