

CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF LABOR RELATIONS

BOARD MEETING

April 12, 2011

MINUTES

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

The meeting was called to order by Patricia V. Low at 9:35 a.m. The Board took a few moments to read over the Minutes of the March 18, 2011 Board Meeting, the March 22, 2011 Special Meeting and the March 24, 2011 Special Meeting. Kathy Foley stated that there should be a correction made to the March 18th Board Minutes under Item 2, General Counsel's Report , (d) Litigation Update. A motion was made by Patricia V. Low to amend Item 2, General Counsel's Report, (d) Litigation Update of the March 18, 2011 Board Minutes to read as follows:

Kathy Foley reported that in the City of Bridgeport Dispatchers case, Karen Buffkin attended the pre-trial on March 2, 2011. *The following sentence should be changed to read:* Settlement conference and briefing date are scheduled to be held on May 2, 2011.

I. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Upon a motion duly made by Wendella Ault Battey and seconded by Robert A. Dellapina, the Board unanimously

VOTED to accept the Minutes of the March 18, 2011 Board Meeting as presented with corrections.

Upon a motion duly made by Patricia V. Low and seconded by Wendella Ault Battey, it was unanimously

VOTED to accept the Minutes of the Special Meetings held on March 22, 2011 and March 24, 2011 as presented.

II. GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

- a.) **Decisions** – Kathy Foley reported that the record in the POD's case is ready to be picked up by the Board. She noted that it is a large case and under our policy, the Board will be paid three days compensation. She will put the case down for three days compensation initially. Kathy stated that since the case is so big,

the Board may consider splitting the finding of facts. Pat Low suggested that the facts be assigned to Alex Gross. The Board agreed to put on hold at this time the decision of who will prepare the finding of facts in this case.

- b.) **Scheduling** – Patricia Low stated that she will have the facts ready next week in the Norwalk Taxing District (MPP-28,301) case. She proposed that this case be deliberated on May 5, 2011 at 11:30 a.m. Pat also noted that the May Board Meeting should be held shortly after Harry Elliott comes on board. The Board agreed to hold the May Board Meeting on May 4, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. It was noted that at the May 4th meeting, the Board can schedule the cases that are ready for deliberations. Kathy stated that she will provide the Board with a list of cases ready for deliberations prior to the May 4th meeting. The Board decided to schedule a second deliberations in the Hamden/UPSEU (MPP-28,465) case on Wednesday, May 11, 2011 at 9:30 a.m
- c.) **Review of Records** - Kathy reported that in addition to the POD's case which the Board will pick up today, records are expected to come in on April 18th and April 29th.

Kathy Foley reported that a complaint has been filed with the Freedom of Information Commission against the State Board of Labor Relations by Renee Jackson. Ms. Jackson claims that she was denied information that the Board has deemed privileged and not subject to FOI disclosure.

- d.) **Litigation** – Kathy Foley distributed a draft to the Board in the Hartford Board of Education/AFT (TPP-27,644) case. A discussion took place regarding the remedy.

III. **AGENT'S REPORT**

- a.) **Statistics** - Kathy Foley reported that 510 cases were filed since July 1, 2010, a decrease of 5 cases from the amount which were filed last year at this time. She noted that this decrease may be attributed to contract negotiations. She reported that 521 cases have been closed since July 1st and 301 remain open.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was duly made by Wendella Ault Battey, seconded by Robert Dellapina, and it was unanimously

VOTED to adjourn the meeting.