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**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
BOARD OF LABOR RELATIONS**

AGENDA

BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, March 21, 2012
9:30 a.m.

1. Approval of Minutes
2. General Counsel's Report
 - a.) Decisions
 - b.) Litigation Update
3. Agent's Report
 - a.) Statistics
4. Freedom of Information
5. June Board Meeting Date
6. Adjournment

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9:30 a.m.

MINUTES

Present: Patricia V. Low, Wendella A. Battey, Barbara J. Collins,
Katherine C. Foley, Alexandra Gross and Joanne Coligan

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Patricia V. Low at 9:30 a.m. The Board took a few moments to read over the Minutes of the February 29, 2012 Board Meeting.

I. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Upon a motion duly made by Wendella A. Battey and seconded by Barbara J. Collins, the Board unanimously

VOTED to accept the Minutes of the February 29, 2012 Board Meeting as presented.

Pat Low reported that the General Counsel is not present this morning, but Alex Gross, our Assistant General Counsel, is here to update us on Litigation.

II. GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

a.) **Litigation Update** - Alex Gross reported that one case is still pending in court - Bridgeport/CAD (dispatchers). She noted that this case is in the process of being settled. The parties have requested a continuance of the pre-trial which is scheduled for April 27.

b.) **Decisions** - Alex gave a brief report on the status of decision drafts.

III. AGENT'S REPORT

a.) **Statistics** - Kathy Foley reported that 429 cases were filed since July 1, 2011; 429 cases have been closed during this time period and that 314 remain open.

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Pat Low noted that although the number of filings has recently decreased, the complaints being filed are much more complex than when the numbers were up higher. She noted that the complexities of these cases are such that many require multiple days of hearings.

IV. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Kathy Foley reported that she has provided Alex, our FOI Liaison, material relating to an upcoming FOI conference. The material includes a questionnaire for anyone wishing to have their questions answered at the conference. Kathy advised the Board that if they have any questions, to please submit them to Alex so that she can include them in the conference questionnaire. The conference will be held on April 3 in Rocky Hill.

V. JUNE BOARD MEETING

Kathy Foley reported that she has scheduled a hearing on June 20, 2012, the date which the June Board Meeting was scheduled, because it was a date offered by Attorney Gagne to reschedule a hearing. She asked the Board to pick another date for the June Board Meeting. Pat stated that the Board will review the June calendar, and get back to Kathy with a date that works for all three members.

VI. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Pat Low inquired whether the New England Consortium will be conducting staff training this year. Alex stated that this year the Consortium is planning a one-day event at Western New England School of Law in Springfield on July 20, 2012. She briefly outlined some of the highlights planned for the event. Pat asked Alex if she has any information regarding ALRA. Alex stated that she has not received anything yet, but will look into the matter and report back to the Board.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

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

VOTED to adjourn the meeting.