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**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
BOARD OF LABOR RELATIONS**

AGENDA

BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, May 16, 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. Chairman's Report
5. Adjournment

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MINUTES

Present: Patricia V. Low, Wendella A. Battey, Barbara J. Collins,
Harry E. Elliott, Jr., 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 April 18, 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 April 18, 2012 Board Meeting as presented.

II. GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

- a.) **Decisions** – Harry Elliott reported that since the last Board Meeting held on April 18, 2012, the Board has issued three (3) decisions, not including the ruling on the Latina Motion to Dismiss. Harry noted that two cases have briefs and records pending.
- b.) **Litigation Update** - Harry reported that in **City of Bridgeport (CAD)** dispatchers appeal, a pre-trial is scheduled for June 19, 2012. In **City of Norwich (Decision No. 4585)**, the City withdrew its appeal on May 14, 2012. Harry reported that two (2) appeals have been filed by Council 4 – (1) **New Britain Board of Education and Local 1186 (Decision No. 4595)**. The record is due on June 2, 2012 and the answer on June 21, 2012. (2) **State of Connecticut, Department of Correction and Locals 387, 391 & 1565 (Decision No. 4589)**. Both the record and answer have been filed.

- c.) **ALRA CONFERENCE** – Harry provided the Board with the ALRA Conference Agenda which has recently been made available. The conference will be held in Montreal from July 28, 2012 to July 31, 2012. The Board took a few moments to look over the program agenda; a discussion ensued regarding some of sessions offered this year. Harry noted that hotel accommodations are \$150 per night. At the request of Pat Low, he will provide the Board with the name and location of the hotel. Harry mentioned that this year's dues have been paid, effective July 1, 2012, and that he plans to submit a travel request to attend the conference.
- d.) **NEW ENGLAND CONSORTIUM CONFERENCE** – Harry reported that on April 27, 2012, Alex Gross and Cathy Serino attended a meeting in Rhode Island to plan the conference which will be held on July 20, 2012 at Western New England University School of Law. Harry stated that he will provide the Board with a packet of information containing a New England Consortium Conference brochure and registration material for the ALRA Conference.

III. **AGENT'S REPORT**

- a.) **Statistics** – In the absence of the Agent, Kathy Foley, Joanne Coligan reported that 497 cases were filed since July 1, 2011; 532 cases have been closed during this time period and that 283 remain open.

IV. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Pat Low reported that dates for the August and September Board meetings need to be determined. She noted that in August, we will hold the date of August 22, but if August 27th, which is on hold for the Hartford HMEA adjourned hearing, becomes available, we will schedule the August Board meeting on that date instead. For the September Board Meeting, Pat asked Joanne to put a tentative hold on September 10th.

V. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

VOTED to adjourn the meeting.

Harry Elliott requested that the Board enter into an Executive Session to discuss a litigation strategy. Pat Low indicated that the Board must reopen the Board Meeting in order to enter into an Executive Session.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED to reopen the Board Meeting for the purpose of entering into an Executive Session to discuss a litigation strategy.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED to enter into an Executive Session with Board Members and General Counsel for the sole purpose of discussing a litigation strategy. It is anticipated that no votes will be taken in Executive Session.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED reconvene the public session of the Board Meeting at 10:20 a.m. There were no votes taken in Executive Session.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was duly made, seconded, and it was unanimously

VOTED to adjourn the meeting.