

CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF LABOR RELATIONS

BOARD MEETING

April 15, 2015
11:30 a.m.

MINUTES

Present: Chairman Patricia V. Low, Wendella A. Battey, Barbara J. Collins, Katherine C. Foley, Harry B. Elliott, Jr. & Joanne Coligan.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Patricia V. Low at 11:30 a.m.

I. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

VOTED to accept the Minutes of the March 26, 2015 Board Meeting as presented.

II. GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

- a) **Decisions** – Attorney Elliott reported that since the last Board meeting on March 26, 2015, two (2) decisions have been issued - Town of Cheshire (Decision #4809) and City of Shelton (Decision #4812); and one (1) procedural order – Elm City (MPP-30,881 & MPP-30,919). He reported that three (3) records are pending: two are due in May: MDC/Council 4 (MPP-30,464) & UPSEU/Ansonia (MPP-31,090); and one is due in June: New Haven/Council 15 (MPP-30,428).
- b) **Litigation Update** – Attorney Elliott reported on the following cases on appeal: **Poquonnock Bridge v. SBLR** - The pre-argument conference in Appellate Court is scheduled for May 28, 2015. **Bristol Board of Education** – We are awaiting notification of pre-argument conference in Appellate Court. **Stamford Career Firefighters (Berg)** - Briefs are in and oral argument has been scheduled for May 14, 2015. **Oxford Board of Education** - This case is on remand to Labor Board from court. **Town of Stonington** – Appeal was dismissed on March 27, 2015; deadline to appeal is April 16, 2015.

Attorney Elliott reported that the Consortium Conference will be held tomorrow and Friday in Westminster, MA.

III. AGENT'S REPORT

Agent Foley reported that tomorrow's hearing – Bridgeport & Council 15 (MPP-30,254 & MEPP-31,071) will be withdrawn on the record. Agent Foley reported that Attorney William Connon has filed a complaint on behalf of the Bristol Board of Education regarding settlement agreement on overall contract.

Agent Foley reported that we are up 48 cases from last year. She noted that a large number of petitions were filed this year and that we are gearing up for additional activity in August from the State side. She anticipates at least one, possibly two State petitions to be filed.

IV. CHAIRMAN REPORT

Chairman Low inquired who from our staff will be attending the consortium conference tomorrow and Friday. Agent Foley responded that everyone will be attending the conference. Chairman Low expressed her concern about getting in touch with staff members when they are away at conferences should a problem arise at a hearing. Agent Foley indicated that the cell phone numbers of all staff members can be obtained from support staff in case they need to be contacted.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At the request of the Agent Foley and upon a motion duly made by Wendella A. Battey and seconded by Barbara Collins, it was unanimously

VOTED that the Board enter into an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter and that the Agent and General Counsel be included in this session. It was stated that no votes are expected to be taken in Executive Session.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED to reconvene the public session of the Board Meeting at 12:20 p.m. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

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

VOTED to adjourn the meeting.