

CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD  
OF LABOR RELATIONS

BOARD MEETING

**MINUTES**

May 26, 2015  
9:30 a.m.

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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Patricia V. Low at 9:35 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 April 15, 2015 Board Meeting as presented.

**II. GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT**

- a) **Decisions** – Attorney Elliott reported that since the last Board meeting on April 16, 2015, two (2) decisions have been issued – Guilford (Dec. 4815) and State (Dec. 4813). He noted that there are eight records pending: Oxford Board of Education\* – TPP-30,096 (due 5/29/15); New Haven – MPP-30,428 (due June 2, 2015); New Haven – MPP-30,881 (due June 8, 2015); West Hartford – MPP-30,607 (due June 15, 2015); Hartford – MPP-30,707 (due June 17, 2015); Norwalk Board of Education – MPP-30,372 (due June 19, 2015); MDC – MPP-30,464 (due June 19, 2015) and Southington – MPP-30,583 (due July 13, 2015).

\*Chairman Low asked to have Attorney Cassetta send the record on the remand in Oxford Board of Education to them on Friday, May 29, 2015.

- b) **Litigation Update** – Attorney Elliott reported on the following cases:  
**Poquonnock Bridge** – The pre-argument in Appellate Court is scheduled for May 28, 2015. **Bristol Board of Education** – The pre-argument is scheduled for June 9, 2015. **Stamford Career Firefighters (Berg)** – argued May 14, 2015 – awaiting decision. **Oxford Board of Education** – a remand to Board from Court. **New Haven (Briscoe)** – MPP-30,919 was removed to Federal Court and on April 28, 2015, Court entered order enjoining Labor Board from proceeding. On April 30, 2015, Labor Board filed Motion to Remand, Motion to Intervene, Appearance. Motion to Intervene granted May 15, 2015. Briscoe's Response due by June 12, 2015.

- c) Attorney Elliot reported that the N.E. Consortium Conference is scheduled for July 24, 2015 in Sturbridge, Massachusetts and the ALRA Conference is scheduled for July 18, 2015 through July 21, 2015 in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

### III. **AGENT'S REPORT**

Agent Foley reported that 31 cases were filed in May so far.

A meeting with Council 4 and Council 15 was held on Friday, May 22, 2015. The issue is still pending. The parties entered into an Interim Agreement.

A motion was duly made by Chairman Low, seconded by Wendella Ault Battey, and It was unanimously

**VOTED** to enter into an Executive Session at 9:45 a.m. with Agent Foley and Attorney Elliott to discuss a pending litigation matter.

A motion was duly made by Chairman Low, seconded by Barbara Collins, and it was unanimously

**VOTED** to reconvene the regular meeting at 10:15 a.m. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

### IV. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Low announced that it was necessary to vote on the appointment of Agent. She noted that Agent Foley has been a tremendous asset to the Board along with her staff and pointed to Ms. Foley's extensive knowledge of the law, history of cases, given the number of years that she has served the Agency. Members Battey and Collins concurred. A motion was duly made by Member Wendella Ault Battey and seconded by Barbara J. Collins and was unanimously

**VOTED** to re-appoint Katherine C. Foley as Agent of the State Board of Labor Relations for a four year term effective June 27, 2015.

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

**VOTED** to adjourn the meeting.