MINUTES OF MEETING
NEW JERSEY PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION
March 30, 2017
10:00 a.m.
495 West State Street
Trenton, New Jersey

The meeting was called to order by Chair P. Kelly Hatfield.

Present were:

Commissioners:

John Bonanni
Paul Boudreau
John Eskilson
David Jones
Paula Voos

Also present were:

Don Horowitz, Senior Deputy General Counsel
Christine Lucarelli-Carneiro, Deputy General Counsel
David Gambert, Deputy General Counsel
Frank Kanther, Deputy General Counsel
Joseph Blaney, Deputy General Counsel
Kellie Hullfish, who acted as Stenographer

At the commencement of the meeting, Chair Hatfield, pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, entered this announcement into the minutes of the meeting:

Adequate notice has been provided by the dissemination of a written “Annual Notice of Meeting.” On December 22, 2016 a copy of such notice was:

(a) prominently posted in a public place at the offices of the Public Employment Relations Commission;

(b) sent to the business offices of the Trenton Times and the Courier Post, as well as to the State House press row addresses of 25 media outlets;

(c) copies e-mailed to the Secretary of State for filing; and

(d) posted on the agency’s web site.

Furthermore on March 24, 2017, copies of an additional written “Notice of Meeting” were posted and sent in a similar manner.
The first item on the agenda was the minutes of the February 23, 2017 regular Commission meeting. A motion to adopt the minutes was made by Commissioner Eskilson and seconded by Commissioner Bonanni. The motion to adopt the minutes was approved by a vote of five in favor (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Eskilson and Voos) and one opposed (Commissioner Jones).

The Counsel’s Office distributed a monthly report.

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in New Jersey Turnpike Authority and IFPTE Local 196, Chapter 1, CO-2015-077. Commissioner Jones moved the draft decision and Commissioner Bonanni seconded the motion. Commissioner Eskilson was recused from voting on this matter because Mets, Schiro and McGovern (the Mets firm) represents IFPTE Local 196. The Mets firm represents unions who represent employees of the City of Paterson (the City), and Commissioner Eskilson is the City’s Fiscal Oversight Officer. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Jones and Voos).

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in City of Newark and Newark Police Superior Officers’ Association, Docket No. CO-2016-061. Commissioner Eskilson moved the draft decision and Commissioner Bonanni seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was approved by a vote of four
in favor (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau and Eskilson) and two opposed (Commissioners Jones and Voos).

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in Ocean Township Board of Education and Waretown Education Association, Docket No. SN-2016-035. Commissioner Eskilson moved the draft decision and Commissioner Boudreau seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was approved by a vote of five in favor (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Eskilson and Voos) and one opposed (Commissioner Jones).

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in Stafford Township Board of Education and Stafford Township Education Association, Docket No. SN-2017-020. Commissioner Boudreau moved the draft decision and Commissioner Voos seconded the motion. Commissioner Jones recused himself due to potential consulting business connected to Stafford Township. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Eskilson and Voos).

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in Somerset County Library Commission and Office and Professional Employees International Union Local 32, Docket No. SN-2017-021. Commissioner Jones moved the draft decision and Commissioner Voos seconded the motion. Commissioner Eskilson was recused from voting on this matter because Mets, Schiro and McGovern (the Mets firm) represents OPEIU Local 32. The Mets firm represents unions
who represent employees of the City of Paterson (the City), and Commissioner Eskilson is the City’s Fiscal Oversight Officer. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Jones and Voos).

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in Trenton Board of Education and Trenton Education Association, Docket No. SN-2017-022. Commissioner Bonanni moved the draft decision and Commissioner Eskilson seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was approved by a vote of five in favor (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Eskilson and Voos) and one opposed (Commissioner Jones).

The final item for consideration was the draft decision in Borough of Norwood and International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 125, Docket No. SN-2017-023. Commissioner Jones moved the draft decision and Commissioner Voos seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Eskilson, Jones and Voos).

Commissioner Eskilson moved to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Boudreau seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn the meeting was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, April 27, 2017.