

MINUTES OF MEETING
NEW JERSEY PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION
September 27, 2018
10:00 a.m.
495 West State Street
Trenton, New Jersey

The meeting was called to order by Chair Joel M. Weisblatt.

Present were:

Commissioners:

John Bonanni
David Jones
Paula Voos

Also present were:

Christine Lucarelli-Carneiro, Acting General Counsel
Don Horowitz, Senior Deputy General Counsel
Frank Kanther, Deputy General Counsel
Kellie Hullfish, who acted as Stenographer

At the commencement of the meeting, Chair Weisblatt, 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 21, 2017 a copy of such notice was:

- (a) prominently posted in a public place at the offices of the Public Employment Relations Commission;
- (b) e-mailed to the business offices of the Trenton Times and the Courier Post;
- (c) e-mailed to the Secretary of State for filing; and
- (d) posted on the agency's web site.

Furthermore on September 21, 2018, copies of an additional written "Notice of Meeting" were posted and sent in a similar manner.

Chair Weisblatt opened the meeting with a Chair's update as follows. He advised that the agency is currently experiencing a steady caseload increase which is being managed well but the agency is seriously understaffed. The staffing needs are being addressed and a number of promising candidates have been identified. The interview process is in progress. He further explained that our top recruiting priority is to add new deputy counsel personnel.

Chair Weisblatt stated he would like to take particular note of the mediation staff which has assisted the parties in resolving some very precarious disputes without crisis. The ad hoc, fact finders and super conciliators continue to provide particularly effective service.

Lastly, Chair Weisblatt stated that the Federal law suit is progressing as anticipated and there is nothing new to report in that regard.

The first item for consideration was the minutes of the August 16, 2018 meeting. Commissioner Voos moved the minutes and Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the minutes were approved by a vote of three in favor (Chair Weisblatt, Commissioners Bonanni and Voos) and one abstention (Commissioner Jones).

The next item for consideration was the Executive Session minutes of the August 16, 2018. Commissioner Bonanni moved the

minutes and Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the minutes were unanimously approved (Chair Weisblatt, Commissioners Bonanni, Jones and Voos).

Chair Weisblatt noted that since there are parties attending the meeting the agenda will be started with item numbers 6A and 4A to accommodate those parties.

The first case for consideration was State of New Jersey (Department of Corrections and New Jersey Superior Officers Law Enforcement Association, Docket No. SN-2018-04739. Commissioner Bonanni moved the draft decision and Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Weisblatt, Commissioners Bonanni, Jones and Voos).

The next case for consideration was Bergen County Sheriff's Office and PBA Local 49, Docket No. SN-2018-033. Commissioner Jones moved the draft decision and Commissioner Voos seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Weisblatt, Commissioners Bonanni, Jones and Voos).

The first case for consideration was Mount Holly Township Board of Education and Mount Holly Township Education Association, Docket No. CO-2018-126, Burlington Township Board of Education and Burlington Township Education Association, Docket No. CO-2018-128 and Gloucester Township Board of Education and

Gloucester Township Education Association. Commissioner Voos moved the draft decision and Commissioner Bonanni seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Weisblatt, Commissioners Bonanni, Jones and Voos).

The next case for consideration was Borough of Collingswood and Teamsters Local 830, Docket No. SN-2018-045. Commissioner Voos moved the draft decision and Commissioner Bonanni seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was approved by a vote of three in favor (Chair Weisblatt, Commissioners Bonanni and Voos) and one opposed (Commissioner Jones).

Chair Weisblatt asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Voos seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was then adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, October 25, 2018.