MINUTES OF MEETING
NEW JERSEY PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION
February 27, 2014
10:00 p.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 H. Eskilson  
David Jones  
Paula B. Voos  
Richard Wall

Also present were:  
David Gambert, Deputy General Counsel  
Mary E. Hennessy-Shotter, Deputy General Counsel  
Don Horowitz, Deputy General Counsel  
Christine Lucarelli-Carneiro, Deputy General Counsel  
Martin R. Pachman, General Counsel  
Annette Thompson, 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 19, 2013 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, the Bergen Record, and the Camden Courier Post, as well as to the State House press row addresses of 25 media outlets;

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

(d) posted on the agency’s web site.

Furthermore on February 21, 2014, copies of an additional written “Notice of Meeting” were posted and sent in a similar manner.
The first item for consideration was the minutes of the December 19, 2013 regular meeting. A motion to adopt the minutes was made by Commissioner Eskilson and seconded by Commissioner Boudreau. Commissioners Voos and Wall abstained because they were not present at this meeting. The motion to adopt the minutes was approved by a vote of four in favor (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau and Eskilson), two abstentions (Commissioner Voos and Wall), and one opposed (Commissioner Jones).

Chair Hatfield advised the Commissioners that there is a new interest arbitration appeal involving State of New Jersey and NJ Law Enforcement Supervisors Association, Docket No. IA-2014-003. A suggested meeting date of Monday, March 10, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. was scheduled.

The Counsel’s Office distributed a monthly report.

The first case for consideration was the draft decision in Ocean County Vocational Board of Education and Ocean County Vocational Technical Education Association, Docket No. CO-2011-335. 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 six in favor (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Eskilson, Voos and Wall), and one opposed (Commissioner Jones).
The next case for consideration was the draft decision in Palisades Park Borough and International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 97, Docket No. CO-2012-305. Commissioner Boudreau moved the draft decision and Commissioner Bonanni seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was approved by a vote of six in favor (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Eskilson, Voos and Wall), and one opposed (Commissioner Jones).

The next case for consideration was the draft decision in Board of Education of the Somerset Hills Regional School District, Somerset County and Somerset Hills Education Association, OAL Docket No. EDU 16752-12 & Agency Docket No. 345-11/1S and Somerset Hills Board of Education and Somerset Hills Education Association, OAL Docket No. PRC 16974-13 & PERC Docket No. CO-2013-101. Commissioner Jones moved the draft decision and Commissioner Voos seconded the motion. Commissioner Boudreau stated that he was disappointed that this kind of issue could work its way all the way to the Commission. It is an amazing waste of resources and time. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Eskilson, Jones, Voos and Wall).

The next case for consideration was the draft decision in Passaic County Sheriff’s Office and Passaic County Sheriff’s Professional Association, Docket No. SN-2013-038. 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, Voos and Wall).

The next case for consideration was the draft decision in Henry Hudson Regional Board of Education and Henry Hudson Education Association, Docket No. SN-2013-052. Commissioner Eskilson moved the draft decision and Commissioner Bonanni seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Eskilson, Jones, Voos and Wall).

The next case for consideration was the draft decision in Town of Dover and Dover PBA Local No. 107, Docket No. SN-2013-061. Commissioner Eskilson moved the draft decision and Commissioner Voos seconded the motion. Commissioner Bonanni was recused because the law firm of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri & Jacobs is one of the labor counsels for Morris County. Commissioner Jones was recused from voting on this matter because this case involves the Loccke law firm. Commissioner Wall was recused from voting on this matter because of his affiliation with the PBA. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Boudreau, Eskilson and Voos).

The last case for consideration was the draft decision in Township of Colts Neck and CWA Local 1038, Docket No. SN-2013-
066. 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 six in favor (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Eskilson, Voos and Wall), and one opposed (Commissioner Jones).

The next item for consideration was the proposed Readoption of Title 19, Chapter 15, Subpoenas. Commissioner Eskilson moved to readopt the rules and Commissioner Bonanni seconded the motion. Mr. Horowitz stated there are no changes from the current rules. No comments were received from the public or any other interested parties after publication in the New Jersey Register. The motion to readopt was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau, Eskilson, Jones, Voos and Wall).

Commissioner Eskilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was then adjourned.

The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, March 27, 2014.