MINUTES OF MEETING
NEW JERSEY PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION
October 25, 2007
10:00 a.m.
495 West State Street
Trenton, New Jersey

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lawrence Henderson.

Present were:

Chairman: Lawrence Henderson

Commissioners: Donald J. Buchanan
                Peter J. DiNardo
                Cheryl G. Fuller
                Matthew U. Watkins

Also present were:
Robert E. Anderson, General Counsel
Mary Beth Hennessy-Shotter, Staff Agent
Don Horowitz, Deputy General Counsel
Ira Mintz, Special Assistant to the Chairman
Annette Thompson, who acted as Stenographer

At the commencement of the meeting, the Chairman, 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 15, 2006 a copy of such notice was:

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

(b) mailed 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; and

(c) mailed to the Secretary of State for filing.

Furthermore on October 18, 2007, copies of an additional written “Notice of Meeting” were posted and mailed in a similar manner.
Chairman Henderson called the meeting to order. The first item for consideration was the minutes of the September 27, 2007 meeting. A motion to adopt the minutes was made by Commissioner Watkins and seconded by Commissioner Buchanan. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, DiNardo, Fuller and Watkins).

The General Counsel distributed his monthly and supplemental reports and answered questions about the Supreme Court decision in In re Referendum Petition to Repeal Ordinance 04-77. Mr. Anderson introduced Ms. Mary Beth Hennessy-Shotter, a new member of the PERC staff, to the Commissioners.

The first case for consideration was Township of Union and PBA Local 9, Docket No. CO-2006-025. Commissioner Buchanan moved the draft decision and Commission DiNardo seconded the motion. Commissioner Watkins recused himself because the employer’s attorney works with him in connection with his employment as Administrator of South Brunswick Township. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, DiNardo and Fuller).

The next case for consideration was Township of Rockaway and Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge No. 31, Docket No. SN-2007-054. Commissioner Watkins moved the draft decision and Commissioner Fuller seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.
(Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, DiNardo, Fuller and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was Borough of Upper Saddle River and New Jersey Policemen’s Benevolent Association, Local 218, Docket No. SN-2007-070. Commissioner Fuller moved the draft decision and Commissioner DiNardo seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, DiNardo, Fuller and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was Borough of Rutherford and Rutherford PBA Local No. 300, Docket No. SN-2007-072. Commissioner Fuller moved the draft decision and Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, DiNardo, Fuller and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was Atlantic County Prosecutor’s Office and Atlantic County Prosecutor’s Superior Officers, P.B.A. Local #77, Docket No. SN-2007-078. Commissioner Fuller moved the draft decision and Commissioner DiNardo seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, DiNardo, Fuller and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was City of Newark and Service Employees International Union, Local 617, Docket No. SN-2007-080. Commissioner Fuller moved the draft decision and Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion. The motion was
unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, Fuller, DiNardo and Watkins).

The last case for consideration was Mercer County Vocational/Technical Schools Board of Education and Mercer County Vocational/Technical Education Association, Docket No. SN-2008-002. Commissioner Watkins moved the draft decision and Commissioner DiNardo seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, DiNardo, Fuller and Watkins).

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

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, November 20, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.