The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lawrence Henderson.

Present were:

Chairman: Lawrence Henderson

Commissioners: Donald J. Buchanan, Cheryl G. Fuller, Pierre D. Joanis, Matthew U. Watkins

Also present were:
Robert E. Anderson, General Counsel
Mary Beth Hennessy-Shotter, Staff Agent
Don Horowitz, Deputy General Counsel
Christine Lucarelli-Carneiro, Staff Agent
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 20, 2007 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 February 21, 2008, 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 January 24, 2007 meeting. A motion to adopt the minutes was made by Commissioner Watkins and seconded by Commissioner Joanis. Commissioner Fuller abstained because she was not in attendance at the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, Joanis and Watkins).

Chairman Henderson thanked Bob Anderson for his many dedicated years of PERC service and wished him well in his retirement.

The General Counsel distributed his monthly report. He advised that financial disclosure forms should be filed by May 1st, but the actual deadline is May 15, 2008. He also recommended that the forms be completed online. He took this opportunity to thank the Counsel’s Office staff for their teamwork over the previous year.

The first case for consideration was Kearny Board of Education and Ann Taylor et al, Docket No. CI-2007-027. Commissioner Fuller moved the draft decision and Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was Borough of Hawthorne and P.B.A. Local 200, Docket No. SN-2007-62. Commissioner Watkins
moved the draft decision and Commissioner Buchanan seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was Borough of Point Pleasant and IBT Local 469, Docket No. SN-2008-017. Commissioner Buchanan moved the draft decision and Commissioner Fuller seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was Bergenfield Board of Education and Bergenfield Education Association, Docket No. SN-2008-018. Commissioner Watkins moved the draft decision and Commissioner Joanis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was Freehold Regional H.S. Board of Education and Freehold Regional H.S. Education Association, Docket No. SN-2008-025. Commissioner Fuller moved the draft decision and Commissioner Buchanan seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was City of Trenton and Trenton Business & Technical Association, Docket Nos. SN-2008-030, SN-2008-031 and SN-2008-032. Commissioner Watkins moved the
draft decision and Commissioner Joanis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was Township of North Bergen and North Bergen PBA Local No. 8, Docket No. SN-2008-039. Commissioner Watkins moved the draft decision and Commissioner Fuller seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The last item for consideration was the Proposed Readoption of Appeal Board Rules, N.J.A.C. 19:17. A motion to readopt the proposed rules was made by Commissioner Buchanan and seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

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

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, March 27, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.