

MINUTES OF MEETING
NEW JERSEY PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION
December 18, 2008
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:
Kirsten S. Branigan
Donald J. Buchanan
Cheryl G. Fuller
Pierre D. Joanis
Matthew U. Watkins

Also present were:

Mary E. Hennessy-Shotter, Deputy General Counsel
Don Horowitz, Deputy General Counsel
Ira Mintz, General Counsel
Christine Lucarelli-Carneiro, Deputy General Counsel
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) 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 room addresses of 25 media outlets; and

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

Furthermore on December 10, 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 November 25, 2008 meeting. A motion to adopt the minutes was made by Commissioner Fuller and seconded by Commissioner Buchanan. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Branigan, Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

Chairman Henderson welcomed the new Commissioner, Patrick V. Colligan, who was present as a guest in the audience.

The General Counsel's monthly report was distributed.

The first case for consideration was West Morris Regional High School Board of Education and West Morris Regional Administrative Assistants Association, Docket No. CU-2005-015. Commissioner Watkins moved the draft decision and Commissioner Joanis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Branigan, Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was Borough of Waldwick and PBA Local No. 217, Docket No. SN-2008-083. Commissioner Watkins moved the draft decision and Commissioner Fuller seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Branigan, Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was City of Trenton and P.B.A. Local No. 11, Docket No. SN-2008-081. Commissioner Joanis

moved the draft decision and Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion. Commissioner Branigan recused herself because she is involved in a matter against the law firm representing one of the parties in this case. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was State of New Jersey, Office of the Public Defender and Communications Workers of America, AFL-CIO, Local 1037, Docket Nos. CO-2006-155 & CO-2007-152. Commissioner Buchanan moved the draft decision and Commissioner Branigan seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Branigan, Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was Passaic County Prosecutor's Office and Passaic County Assistant Prosecutors' Association, Docket No. SN-2008-068. Commissioner Watkins moved the draft decision and Commissioner Branigan seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Branigan, Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The next case for consideration was Passaic County Prosecutor's Office and Passaic County Assistant Prosecutors' Association, Docket No. SN-2008-072. Commissioner Buchanan moved the draft decision and Commissioner Fuller seconded the motion.

The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Branigan, Buchanan, Fuller, Joanis and Watkins).

The Commission next considered the proposed 2009 Annual Notice of Meeting. Commissioner Buchanan moved that the Annual Notice of Meeting be approved and Commissioner Branigan seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chairman Henderson, Commissioners Branigan, 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, January 29, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.