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PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

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MINUTES

June 5, 2013

The regular meeting of the Public Employment Relations Commission was held at 10:00 a.m., in the Public Employment Relations Commission Conference Room, 112 Henry Street NE, Suite 300, Olympia, Washington. Those present and participating:

Marilyn Glenn Sayan, Chairperson
Pamela G. Bradburn, Commissioner
Thomas W. McLane, Commissioner
Michael P. Sellars, Executive Director
Majel C. Boudia, Confidential Secretary
Charity Atchison, Appeals Administrator
David I. Gedrose, Compliance Officer

Also present and participating:

Spencer Daniels, Assistant Attorney General
William R. Kenny, Mason County
Ron Dahl, International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 302
Bob Franssen, International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 302
Thomas A. Leahy, on behalf of Teamsters Local 252 and IUOE, Local 302

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held May 14, 2013, were adopted as presented.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

1. Executive Director Mike Sellars thanked Spencer Daniels for attending the meeting. Mr. Daniels has served as Assistant Attorney General for the agency for 23 years. Mike acknowledged Mr. Daniels' service to the agency and the citizens of the State of Washington. Chairperson Sayan read a Resolution and presented him with the document. Mr. Daniels thanked the agency for recognizing his service and noted he has enjoyed working with the staff over the years.
2. There were 61 cases filed during the month of May. This is less than the five year average. Ninety cases were closed in May.



3. The Red List (cases ready for decision more than 90 days) has one case awaiting decision.
4. The Yellow List (cases ready for decision 45 – 89 days) has five cases awaiting decision.
5. Mike reviewed the list of decisions issued by the Commission this year (2013) noting the agency is improving on the timeliness of issuing decisions. His focus is on making sure Commission cases do not go over 360 days before a decision is issued. Examiner decisions have improved but are not all timely. Clientele have confirmed the need for timeliness of decisions with the Executive Director. Chairperson Sayan emphasized that the number of days of hearing has increased.

Commissioner Bradburn asked about a case involving a private employer. Mike explained that the case involving public defenders was filed in May. These employees remain under our jurisdiction until July. The parties have signed a stipulation to continue. The election and certification will be completed in July.

6. A one-day strike was held at The Evergreen State College on May 22, 2013. The unit includes 53 exempt employees. The employer and the Washington Federation of State Employees have met for nine days. Mike and Steve Irvin are serving as mediators.
7. Mike reported the agency is gearing up for teacher mediation season. He is aware of two potential hot spots in the state.
8. Commissioner Bradburn asked about the recent number of “P” cases. Panel Coordinator Majel Boudia reported that these are grievance arbitration cases. Ms. Bradburn also noted the steady number of grievance arbitration cases assigned to staff involving the Washington State Ferries.
9. The Association of Labor Relations Agencies Conference will be held July 20 – 24 in Washington, D.C. Mike will attend, and he asked Christy Yoshitomi to attend as the lead for next year’s conference in Seattle. Mike has been asked to be a member of the ALRA Executive Committee. Chairperson Sayan said she would like to attend, and she is pleased that Mike will be involved in this organization. She noted that Washington is one of the more active states involved in ALRA.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Mike reported on the special session of the Legislature which ends June 11th. There has been no agreement on the state budget and there has been no bill activity.

COMPLIANCE DOCKET

Compliance Officer David I. Gedrose reported on the following cases:

King County, Case 23840-U-11-6085. All compliance requirements have been met and the posting period ended in early May. Mr. Gedrose has heard nothing further from the parties, and recommended the case be closed. The Commission unanimously accepted compliance. The case will now be closed.

Mason County, Cases 22423-U-09-5722, 22424-U-09-5723, 22425-U-09-5724, 22426-U-09-5725 and 22427-U-09-5726. Chairperson Sayan recused herself from participating in discussion of this compliance

matter. Mr. Gedrose reviewed the case. Comments were received from the parties regarding the salary survey and the overpayment issue. Tom Leahy presented comments on behalf of Teamsters Local 252. Bill Kenny presented comments on behalf of the employer. Following discussion in Executive Session, Commissioner Bradburn reported that compliance will remain open until the end of July awaiting resolution of the salary overpayment. The salary survey will not be included in the resolution of compliance in the matter. The parties were asked to notify Mr. Gedrose by August 13th, the Commission's next meeting, regarding the resolution of the overpayment issue. The Commission will reconsider the Compliance Officer's recommendation at that time.

COURT DOCKET

Appeals Administrator Charity Atchison reviewed the pending court cases and offered updated information where available. The monthly Court Docket is available on the agency website.

State – Language Access Providers, Case 23334-E-10-3570. King County Superior Court entered an Order on May 22, 2013. The case will now be closed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being nothing further to come before the Commission, the public meeting was adjourned.

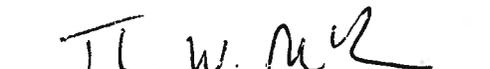
COMMISSION DOCKET

Following adjournment, the Commission went into Executive Session to deliberate pending cases before the Commission.

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MARILYN GLENN SAYAN, Chairperson


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THOMAS W. McLANE, Commissioner

ATTEST:


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