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PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

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MINUTES

September 9, 2014

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
Thomas W. McLane, Commissioner
Mark E. Brennan, Commissioner
Michael P. Sellars, Executive Director
Majel C. Boudia, Confidential Secretary
Charity L. Atchison, Appeals Administrator
Jessica J. Bradley, Compliance Officer

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held August 12, 2014, were adopted as presented.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

1. Mike reported on case filings for the month of August. Although there was a spike in filings in July, there were 52 cases filed in August. This is still on average with previous years. There were 55 cases closed in August.
2. Mike continues to track hearings in the pipeline. The same number of unfair labor practice complaints continue to be filed, but settlement mediation eliminates the need for a hearing and decision. Thus, the number of decisions to be issued has decreased.
3. Mike will meet with clientele regarding the agency budget and case filings at a later date to gather input from clientele.
4. State employee mediation and interest arbitration cases were filed and processed during August.



5. The teacher mediation season was active this year. The San Juan School District could have delayed the beginning of the school year, but Steve Irvin, Emily Whitney and Dianne Ramerman were able to reach a two year contract prior to Labor Day.
6. Mike and Diane Tucker are refining the agency budget detail which is due September 19th. The Office of Financial Management wants to know how we would cut 15% in budget package form, in addition to a supplemental package. PERC has already cut 15% of its expenditures since 2009.
7. A retirement gathering for David Gedrose and Joel Greene was held on a Saturday in late August. Both were excited for the opportunities ahead and the opportunities they had with the agency. Mike reported that David and Joel extended their thanks to the Commission.

COMPLIANCE DOCKET

Compliance Officer Jessica Bradley reviewed the following cases:

Yakima County, Case 21632-U-08-5519. The Compliance Officer reviewed the case for the Commission. The parties are in agreement that compliance has been reached. Ms. Bradley recommended closure of the case. The Commission unanimously accepted compliance in this matter, and the case will now be closed.

Community Transit, Case 22253-U-09-5678. The case was reviewed. The posting and reading requirements are complete. Ms. Bradley recommended closure of the case. The Commission unanimously accepted compliance in this matter, and the case will now be closed.

Kiona Benton School District, Case 25699-U-13-6582. The case was reviewed. The posting and reading requirements are complete. Ms. Bradley recommended closure of the case. The Commission unanimously accepted compliance, and the case will now be closed.

Ms. Bradley thanked the Commission for completing their on-line records training as required for gubernatorial appointees.

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.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to come before the Commission.

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


THOMAS W. McLANE, Commissioner



MARK E. BRENNAN, Commissioner

ATTEST:



MICHAEL P. SELLARS
Executive Director