

STATE OF WASHINGTON

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

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MINUTES

September 12, 2017

The regular meeting of the Public Employment Relations Commission was held at: 10:00 a.m.

PERC Conference Room 112 Henry Street, Suite 300 Olympia, Washington 98506

Those present and participating:

Marilyn Glenn Sayan, Chairperson
Mark E. Brennan, Commissioner
Mark R. Busto, Commissioner
Mike Sellars, Executive Director
Charity Atchison, Appeals Administrator
Joye Rolfer, Confidential Secretary

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held August 15, 2017, were adopted as presented.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

- 1. We had 8 teacher mediation requests in August. Additionally, we had someone assigned in Arlington where the union had taken a strike vote. The parties ultimately settled prior to mediation and without a strike. We are still mediating in Morton, Rainier, Richland, and Sequim. There was one strike this year. The teachers in San Juan Island went on strike on Friday, September 1. We began mediating with the parties on Saturday, September 2 and the parties reached agreement on Labor Day. All in all, we received 8 teacher mediation requests this year, the most in several years.
- 2. The recruitment for Labor Relations/Adjudicator Mediator just closed. We received 28 applications. We are hoping to start interviews this week. We will fill 1-2 positions.

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Jessica Bradley has almost fully transitioned from her Unfair Labor Practice Manager duties to field work.

- 3. There were 82 cases opened in August. Those numbers are slightly higher than usual due to multiple filings from some of the same parties.
- 4. Mike attended the NW Chapter of the National Association of Arbitrators (NAA) conference and participated on a panel. Of the 82 arbitrators we have on our panel, 30 are in the NAA roster.
- 5. The ALRA fall planning meeting is October 13-15 in Montreal, Canada. The commission unanimously approved Mike to travel to the executive board meeting of the ALRA conference planning committee.

COURT DOCKET

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

COMMISSION DOCKET

The Commission went into Executive Session for a discussion on agency public records procedures and deliberation on pending cases before the Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

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

REVIEW AND APPROVAL

These minutes will be reviewed, approved, and signed at the meeting on October 10, 2017.

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ARILYN GLENN SAYAN, Chairperson

MARK E BRENNAN, Commissioner

MARK R. BUSTO, Commissioner

ATTEST:

MIKE SELLARS
Executive Director

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