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Rhode Island State Labor Relations Board

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CLOSED MINUTES BOARD MEETING

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

DATE: Tuesday, March 10, 2015

PLACE: 1511 Pontiac Ave., Building #73, 3rd Floor, Cranston, RI 02920

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Walter Lanni

Frank Montanaro Marcia B. Reback Scott G. Duhamel Elizabeth S. Dolan Bruce A. Wolpert Peder A. Schaefer

OTHERS PRESENT: Robyn H. Golden, Administrator

Lisa L. Ribezzo, Labor Board Case Agent

Margaret Hogan, Esq.

Chairman Lanni called the meeting to order in Open Session at 9:10 a.m.

All Board Members reviewed the Closed Minutes of the December 16, 2014 Board Meeting. A Motion was made by Frank J. Montanaro and seconded by Scott G. Duhamel to accept the Closed Minutes as written, and it was

VOTED: by all Board Members present to accept the minutes as written. Motion passed.

UNFAIR LABOR PRACTICE CHARGES:

1. Case No. ULP- 6155

Town of North Kingstown & North Kingstown Fire Fighters Association, International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), Local 1651

As a result of Ms. Dolan recusing herself from participation in the aforementioned matter, a Motion was made by Marcia B. Reback and seconded by Scott G. Duhamel to move this matter to the end of the Agenda to allow Ms. Dolan to participate in the rest of the Agenda prior to leaving the Board meeting. After discussion, all Board Members present voted in favor of the Motion. Motion passed.

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Case No. ULP-6156 Town of Coventry & RI Council 94, AFSCME, AFL-CIO

After review of the informal notes in this matter, a Motion was made by Marcia B. Reback and seconded by Bruce A. Wolpert, to administratively dismiss the aforementioned matter, as the charge does not warrant the issuance of a complaint; to wit: failure to state a specific claim upon which relief may be granted. After discussion, all Board Members present voted in favor of the Motion. Motion passed.

MISCELLEANOUS MATTERS:

1. Appointment of Legal Counsel 7-1-15 to 6-30-16

After review of all documentation submitted, a Motion was made by Marcia B. Reback and seconded by all parties, to reappoint Margaret L. Hogan, Esq., d/b/a Hogan & Hogan, LTD, as the Board's Legal Counsel for Fiscal Year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. After discussion, all Board Members present voted in favor of the Motion. Motion passed.

Subsequently, a Motion was made by Frank J. Montanaro and seconded by Marcia B. Reback to authorize the Chairman, Walter Lanni, to sign all paperwork in conjunction with the appointment of Hogan and Hogan, LTD. After discussion, all Board Members present voted in favor of the Motion. Motion passed.

2. Closed Minutes: June 12, 2007; March 19, 2009; January 10, 2012; October 9, 2012; October 8, 2013; January 14, 2014; and February 25, 2014 (To be opened and posted)

After review of the closed minutes, a Motion was made by Frank J. Montanaro and seconded by Elizabeth S. Dolan, to publish the closed minutes from the above-mentioned closed Board Meeting(s). After discussion, all Board Members voted in favor of the Motion. **NOTE:** Board Members, Scott G. Duhamel, Marcia B. Reback, and Bruce A. Wolpert abstained from the approval of the Closed Minutes dated June 12, 2007, March 19, 2009, January 10, 2012 and October 9, 2012, as they were not Board Members at that time. Motion passed.

Elizabeth S. Dolan left the Board meeting.

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 International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), Local 1651
 (Elizabeth S. Dolan recused herself from participation in this matter)

After review of the informal notes in this matter, a Motion was made by Marcia B. Reback and seconded by Scott G. Duhamel, to uphold the charge in this matter, issue a Complaint, and proceed to Formal Hearing. After discussion, all Board Members present voted in favor of the Motion. Motion passed.

A Motion was then made by Bruce A. Wolpert and seconded by Marcia B. Reback to resume the meeting in open session for the purposes of reading into the minutes the determinations made by the Board in Closed Session, review and determination of the Concluded Case, as well as adjournment. After discussion, it was unanimously

VOTED: by the Board Members present to resume the meeting in Open Session at 10:00 a.m.

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