

STATE OF ILLINOIS
ILLINOIS LABOR RELATIONS BOARD
STATE PANEL

Minutes of the State Panel Meeting
Held on April 10, 2007

I. OPENING OF MEETING 11:00 A.M.—160 North LaSalle Street, Suite S-400, Chicago, IL

II. PRESENT

Jackie Gallagher, Chairman; Michael Coli, Member of the Board; Charles Hernandez, Member of the Board; Michael Hade, Member of the Board; Rex Piper, Member of the Board; John F. Brosnan, Executive Director; John F. Brosnan, Ellen M. Strizak, Sharon B. Wells, and Sylvia Rios acted as general counsel to the Board for this meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD MARCH 6, 2007

Chairman Gallagher called for approval of the minutes of the March 6, 2007 meeting. Member Piper moved to approve the minutes. Member Hade seconded. The Board passed the motion unanimously, by a voice vote.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Chairman Gallagher asked Executive Director Brosnan to present the State Panel administrative actions for the period of time from March 1 through March 31, 2007. He distributed the report to the Board for review, and the Board examined it. The Executive Director summarized the report's highlights, noting that during the month, the agency issued three certifications pursuant to representation elections, seven certifications pursuant to majority interest petitions, nine certifications pursuant to unit clarification petitions, and two certifications directed pursuant to unit clarification petitions. The agency also received withdrawals in connection with five representation petitions, and the agency's Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) issued seven Recommended Decisions and Orders (RDOs), resolving eight representation cases. The Executive Director also noted that with regard to unfair labor practice cases, the agency issued twenty-two complaints for hearing and eleven administrative dismissals, five deferrals, had twenty-eight charges withdrawn, and the agency's ALJs issued RDOs in four unfair labor practice cases.

V. BOARD ACTIONS

1. Case No. S-CA-04-217
Kewanee Firefighters Association, Local 513, IAFF/City of Kewanee

Chairman Gallagher began by summarizing the case, noting that the ALJ dismissing in part and sustaining in part, the unfair labor practice complaint against Respondent. Acting General Counsel Brosnan, after a review of the decision and exceptions, recommended that the Board accept the ALJ's decision. The Chairman and Board Members then engaged in a discussion of the issues raised in by the exceptions. At the conclusion thereof, Member Hade moved to accept the ALJ's recommendation. Member Piper seconded the motion, and the Board passed it unanimously, by a voice vote.

2. Case No. S-RC-06-005
Metropolitan Alliance of Police, Sergeants Ch. No. 435/Village of Morton Grove

Chairman Gallagher began by summarizing the case. Acting General Counsel Brosnan, after a review of the decision and exceptions, recommended that the Board accept the ALJ's decision. After the Board's discussion, Member Coli moved to accept the ALJ's recommendation. Member Hade seconded the motion, and the Board passed it unanimously, by a voice vote.

V. BOARD ACTIONS (Continued)

3. Case No. S-CA-06-002

Michael Eppley/State of Illinois, Department of Central Management Services

Case No. S-CB-06-002

Michael Eppley/American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees

Chairman Gallagher began by summarizing the case. Acting General Counsel Strizak after thoroughly reviewing the matter, recommended that the Board affirm the Executive Director's dismissals. After the Board's discussion, Member Hade moved to accept the ALJ's recommendation. Member Piper seconded the motion, and the Board passed it unanimously, by a voice vote.

4. Case No. S-CB-06-013/S-CB-06-015

Douglas Biller and Anthony Sortino/American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Council 31

Chairman Gallagher began by summarizing the case. Acting General Counsel Wells detailed her review of the case and recommended that the Board affirm the Executive Director's dismissals. After the Board's discussion, Member Piper moved to accept the ALJ's recommendation. Member Hade seconded the motion, and the Board passed it unanimously, by a voice vote.

5. Case No. S-CA-07-046

Phillis Buhr/County of Champaign (Champaign County Nursing Home)

Chairman Gallagher began by summarizing the case. Acting General Counsel Rios reviewed the issues presented and recommended upholding the dismissal. After the Board's discussion, Member Coli moved to accept the ALJ's recommendation. Member Piper seconded the motion, and the Board passed it unanimously, by a voice vote.

6. Case No. S-VR-07-004

Illinois State Employees Association, Laborers International Union, Local 2002/State of Illinois, Department of Central Management Services/American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees

Chairman Gallagher began by summarizing the case. Acting General Counsel Strizak presented the issues in dispute and concluded that the Board should uphold the Executive Director's order. After the Board's discussion, Member Piper moved to accept the ALJ's recommendation. Member Coli seconded the motion, and the Board passed it unanimously, by a voice vote.

VI. OTHER BOARD MATTERS

The Chairman updated the Board as to the status of legislation that concerns the agency, and distributed the report on estimated year-end account balances, the "actual v. budgeted" year-to-date report, and other financial reports prepared by Fiscal Officer Nicole Hildebrand. The Chairman and Board members then discussed various aspects of the agency's fiscal reports. Thereafter, the Board discussed whether there was a need for executive session, concluding it was not necessary at this time.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Gallagher called for a motion to adjourn. Member Piper made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and the Board passed it unanimously, by a voice vote.

Adopted and approved by the Chairman and Members of the State Panel of the Illinois Labor Relations Board, in Chicago, Illinois, this 8th day of May, 2007.