

Minutes of January 8th Meeting of the Vermont Labor Relations Board

The meeting convened at 9:00 a.m. in the Labor Relations Board Conference Room. Present were Chairperson Gary Karnedy and Members Jim Kiehle, Richard Park, Alan Willard, Robert Greemore and Edward Clark. Also present were Executive Director Timothy Noonan and Clerk Melinda Moz-Knight.

Annual Report:

Changes were discussed and the report was approved.

Caseload Status Report:

Mr. Noonan provided a caseload status report. 2014 was a very busy year. Many of our case filings were earlier in the year, but we had two major elections in the latter part of the year which required a lot of work. At this point the Board has 15 open cases which is 38 percent below the average of 24 open cases.

Hearings on January 15th and January 22nd are cancelled as the cases have settled. January 29th and February 5th are still being held at this time. A two day hearing in the Grievance of Lee has been scheduled for March 27th and March 30th.

Board Assignments

March 5th-Karnedy, Kiehle, Park
March 12th-Park, Willard, Clark
March 27th-Park, Karnedy, Clark
March 30th-Park, Karnedy, Clark
April 9th-Karnedy, Greemore, Clark
April 30th-Karnedy, Greemore, Kiehle
May 7th-Full Board Meeting
May 14th-Karnedy, Greemore, Kiehle
May 21st-Karnedy, Clark, Greemore
May 28th-Karnedy, Kiehle, Greemore

Budget Report:

Mr. Noonan handed out materials on the FY 2016 budget and responded to questions.

Conferences and Training Sessions:

Mr. Noonan reported on the training sessions that he ran in October and November. We had an attendance of eighty people even though we had held these trainings earlier in the year.

The New England Consortium of State Labor Relations Agencies will hold training in Massachusetts on April 16th and 17th. Mr. Noonan asked for Board members to contact him with ideas for topics.

The New England Consortium Annual Conference will be held on July 24th in Sturbridge, Massachusetts.

The ALRA conference will be held in Minnesota from July 18th-21st, 2015.

The Board has started discussions on hosting a Spring Conference on June 10th, 2015. It was suggested that each Board member help to generate topics and then moderate a panel at the conference itself. Two conference calls were scheduled to organize the event.

The public meeting adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,