

Minutes of January 4, 2018 Meeting of the Vermont Labor Relations Board

The meeting convened at 10:30 a.m. in the Vermont Labor Relations Board Hearing Room located at 13 Baldwin Street in Montpelier. Present were Chairperson Richard Park and Members Jim Kiehle, Alan Willard, Robert Greemore and Edward Clark. Also present were Executive Director Timothy Noonan and Clerk Melinda Moz-Knight.

Annual Report

The Board discussed the annual report, recommended changes were made, and the report was signed.

Board Assignments

April 5-Willard, Clark and Park
April 12-Willard, Clark and Greemore
April 19-Willard, Clark and Park
May 3-Kiehle, Greemore and Willard
May 17-Clark, Park and Willard
May 24-Kiehle, Greemore and Willard
May 31-Greemore, Clark and Willard
June 7-Park, Willard and Kiehle
June 28-Greemore, Willard and Clark

When a new Board Member is appointed to replace Gary Karnedy, the member will replace Mr. Willard on some hearings.

Budget Report:

Mr. Noonan discussed our budget and responded to questions. Our requested budget was approved by the Governor for a 1.8% increase, and now will be considered by the Legislature.

Conferences and Training Sessions:

Mr. Noonan discussed the six trainings sessions he conducted in December. The number of registrants were well above previous training sessions. The Board decided to raise the registration fee to forty dollars for future training sessions.

Mr. Noonan reported that the New England Consortium of State Labor Relations Agencies (NECSLRA) will not hold a conference this year as the 2018 Association of Labor Relations Agencies annual conference will be held in Boston, Massachusetts, and the Consortium will be supporting the ALRA Conference.

The Board had a brief discussion on hosting a conference or seminar in Fall 2018.

The Board Clerk, Melinda Moz-Knight left at 11:30am.

Update on Board Vacancy:

Tim reported that all members of the Labor Board Review Panel have been appointed and the deadline for nominations and applications for the vacancy is January 12, 2018.

Conducting of Board hearing in Chairperson Park's Absence:

The intent will be for members Clark and Greemore to equally chair hearings in Chairperson Park's absence. The hearings each will chair in January, February and March were scheduled.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Melinda H. Moz-Knight

/s/ Timothy J. Noonan