Draft Minutes of December 12, 2022, Meeting of the Vermont Labor Relations Board

The Vermont Labor Relations Board conducted a Microsoft TEAMS meeting of the entire Board on December 12, 2022, beginning at 9:10 a.m. All Board members attended the meeting remotely. Also present were Executive Director Judith L. Dillon and Clerk Melinda Moz-Knight.

Board Member Compensation

Executive Director Dillon reminded the Board that the Legislature passed, and the Governor signed Act 134 of 2022, that allows Boards or Commissions to submit to the Governor with their requested budget, requests to increase per diems for that board or commission. Board member Greemore suggested that the duties of the Board are similar to those of Assistant Judges. The compensation for Assistant Judges is outlined in statute at @ \$210 per day. Bob suggested that the Board Member pay be tied to or comparable to that of Assistant Judges. He also suggested that we compensate the Chairperson an extra \$50 a day. This change would start on July 2nd, 2023. Executive Director Dillon discussed the process of how to get this approved. Board member Greemore made a motion to recommend a per diem rate to that of the Assistant Judges and to tie increases in the future to the Assistant Judge per diem rate. Board Member Willard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

VLRB Budget Approval

Executive Director Dillon explained our FY 24 Target budget. Board member Greemore made a motion to approve the budget with two amendments. First, the budget will need to reflect the increase in the Board member per diem rate. Second expenses would need to be adjusted to reflect expenses for Board Members at the ALRA conference that will be held in July 2024. Board Member Donegan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting went into Executive Session at 11:00 to discuss personnel matters. The Board came out of Executive Session at 11:50 and adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted /s/ Melinda Moz-Knight

The Board unanimously approved the meeting minutes at the January 24, 2023, Board meeting.