

Classified Service Public Hearing

Public Hearing Agenda # 242

Minutes of Proceeding

June 15, 2009 (M)

2 ½% General Salary Increase effective June 21, 2009

For eligible Classified Service Union and Non-union employees

Good morning everyone. My name is Anthony Bucci and I am the State Personnel Administrator and I am employed at the Rhode Island Department of Administration. I am here today to conduct a “Classified” Public Hearing on behalf of Gary S. Sasse, Director of the Department of Administration. This hearing is being conducted pursuant to Chapter 36-3 and Chapter 36-4 of the Rhode Island General Laws, specifically Sections 36-3-3 (17) and 36-4-15.

For the record, today is Monday, June 15th, 2009 at 9:05 AM. “Notice” of this Public Hearing was posted on Tuesday, June 9th, 2009 on each of the five (5) floors within the Department of Administration, at the State House Library and electronically with the Secretary of State. Further, as a courtesy, on Thursday, June 11th, the Notice and Agenda were electronically forwarded to labor union officials, and state agency managements.

The purpose of this Hearing is to allow for public comment concerning a proposed amendment to the Classified Service Classification and Pay Plan contained in Public Hearing Agenda #

242. The sole item on the Agenda for consideration and comment involves a 2 ½% General Salary Increase to be in effect on Sunday, June 21, 2009 for both eligible classified service “union” employees and eligible classified service “non-union” employees.

In terms of process, it is important to note that all comments will be “recorded” and this record shall be reviewed by the Director of the Department of Administration and the Governor of the State of Rhode Island. Subsequently, a final decision will be made and that decision will be implemented.

If you wish to make a comment on the proposed amendments, I ask that you please speak loud enough in order to make certain that the recorder here in the front of the room can accurately record your comments. Also, please identify yourself for the record and if you are representing an organization please identify that organization. Finally, if you have any “written comments” you are welcome to provide a copy.

As I proceed through the Agenda, I will individually identify each of the qualifying two (2) categories of employees being proposed for the general salary increase and subsequently, those of you wishing to provide public comment may do so.

Agenda Item # 1 proposes a 2 ½% general salary increase effective Sunday, June 21, 2009 for eligible classified service organized

employees as a result of negotiated wage settlements due to collective bargaining between the State of Rhode Island and the:

- RI Council 94, AFSCME, AFL-CIO**
- Laborers' International Union of North America – RI Laborers' District Council (LIUNA)**
- RI Alliance of Social Service Employees – Local 580, SEIU (RIASSE)**
- Department of Administration - Association of Administration Supervisors**
- Department of Administration – Council of Budget Personnel (Division of Budget)**
- International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers – Local 400 (IFPTE)**
- National Education Association – Association of Clerical-Technical (ACT/URI - NEARI)**
- National Education Association – Educational Support Professional Association (ESPA/CCRI - NEARI)**
- National Education Association – Professional Staff Association (PSA/DOH - NEARI)**
- RI Employment Security Alliance– Local 401 (RIESA)**

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- **RI Probation and Parole Association Clerical/Aides Unit and Supervisory/Counselor Units (RIPPA)**
- **RI State Employed Physicians Association**
- **National Association of Government Employees - Local 79 (NAGE)**
- **United Nurses and Allied Professionals, Local 5019 (UNAP)**
- **RI Brotherhood of Correctional Officers - Professional Staff (RIBCO)**

Are there any comments on Agenda Item # 1?

Hearing none, the record will reflect that there is no public comment on Agenda Item # 1.

Agenda Item # 2 proposes a 2 ½% general salary increase effective Sunday, June 21, 2009 for eligible classified service non-organized employees.

Are there any comments on Agenda Item # 2?

Hearing none, the record will reflect that there is no public comment on Agenda Item # 2.

Are there any other comments that anyone wishes to make?

Hearing none, it is now 9:15 AM and this Public Hearing is adjourned.

Thank you for taking the time to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony A. Bucci

Personnel Administrator