Legislative Coordinating Commission Subcommittee on Employee Relations Monday, March 23, 2009 10:30 am, Room 107 Capitol

Present:

Senator Don Betzold Senator Jim Metzen Senator Gen Olson Senator Dan Sparks Representative Karla Bigham Representative Steve Drazkowski Representative Debra Hilstrom Representative Leon Lillie **Excused:** Senator Linda Scheid Representative Morrie Lanning

Sen. Metzen called the meeting of the Subcommittee on Employee Relations to order at 10:05 am. A quorum was present.

Introductions

Subcommittee members introduced themselves and noted which district they represent.

Election of Officers

Rep. Bigham nominated Rep. Lillie to serve as chair. There were no other nominations. The vote was taken and Rep. Lillie was elected chair.

Rep. Lillie took over as chair of the meeting.

Sen. Betzold nominated Sen. Metzen to serve as vice chair and Sen. Olson to serve as secretary. There were no other nominations. The vote was taken. Sen. Metzen was elected vice chair and Sen. Olson was elected secretary.

Approval of Rules

Greg Hubinger, Director of the Legislative Coordinating Commission, reviewed the subcommittee rules. Rep. Hilstrom moved approval of the rules. **The Motion Prevailed.**

Approval of Minutes

Rep. Bigham moved approval of the minutes from the September 4, 2008 meeting. **The Motion Prevailed.**

Review/approve collective bargaining agreement with the Inter Faculty Organization

Mary Leary, Associate Vice Chancellor for Labor Relations for MnSCU, reviewed provisions of the collective bargaining agreement negotiated by MnSCU and the Inter Faculty Organization (IFO). Ms. Leary noted that the tentative agreement extends the

current contract with a limited number of amendments. The cost of the increases is 0.49% this biennium and will add 1.31% to the next biennium's base. Ms. Leary stated the total cost of the increases is approximately \$2,621,000 in FY 10-11. Ms. Leary stood for questions. Discussion ensued.

Rep. Hilstrom moved approval of SER 1, the resolution recommending approval of the IFO collective bargaining agreement. **The Motion Prevailed.**

Update on ratification bill

Mr. Hubinger updated the Subcommittee on the status of the bill ratifying the work completed by the Subcommittee during the interim.

There being no further business Rep. Lillie adjourned the meeting at 10:34 am.

Rep. Leon Lillie, Chair