

Subcommittee on Employee Relations
May 8, 2017

Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Sen. Benson
Rep. Drazkowski
Sen. Eaton
Rep. Hilstrom
Rep. Howe
Sen. Koran
Rep. Lillie
Sen. Newman
Rep. O'Neill
Sen. Simonson

Rep. O'Neill called the meeting of the Subcommittee on Employee Relations to order at 9:04 a.m. in Room 5 of the State Office Building.

A quorum was present.

Officers were elected, as follows:

Sen. Benson nominated Rep. O'Neill for Chair. **Motion Prevailed.**
Sen. Newman nominated Sen. Benson for Vice Chair. **Motion Prevailed.**
Rep. O'Neill nominated Rep. Hilstrom for Secretary. **Motion Prevailed.**

Greg Hubinger presented an overview of the proposed subcommittee rules. A vote was taken on approval of the proposed rules. **Motion Prevailed.**

The following Minutes were moved and approved:

Rep. Lillie moved the Minutes of March 8, 2016 be approved. **Motion Prevailed.**
Sen. Eaton moved the Minutes of August 25, 2016 be approved. **Motion Prevailed.**
Sen. Benson moved the Minutes of November 14, 2016 be approved. **Motion Prevailed.**

Edwin Hudson, Deputy Commissioner, Minnesota Management and Budget, provided an update on bargaining contracts for FY 18-19.

Testimony was provided related to SEIU union membership for PCAs.

The following testifiers' comments supported efforts to decertify SEIU as the exclusive representative of personal care assistants:

Kim Crockett, Center for the American Experiment

Doug Seaton, Attorney for MNPCA
Kris Greene, PCA
Former Sen. Al DeKruif, Carol DeKruif, and Jason DeKruif
Sarah Madill, PCA
Hollie Hambree, PCA

The following were testifiers on behalf of SEIU, against efforts to decertify the union:

Delores Flynn
Jamie Gulley, President, SEIU

The meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:30 p.m. by Chair O'Neill.

Testimony continued regarding the SEIU.

The following were testifiers on behalf of SEIU:

Clara Nakumbe, PCA
Corey Vandenberg
Jim Carlisle
Sumer Spika

The following testifiers testified on behalf of MNPCA:

Carla Hemming, Home Health Care Agency
Denise Giese, Home Health Care Agency
Mary Welte, PCA
Evan Van Hoever, Intern/canvasser
Catherine Hunter

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:04 p.m.