

**STATE OF ILLINOIS**  
**EDUCATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD**

**Minutes of the Special Meeting held on September 9, 2020 via teleconference and web conferencing (Per the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation and Executive Orders issued in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Board held its September 9, 2020 special meeting by Webex.)**

**I. PRESENT**

Board Member Lynne Sered; Board Member Gilbert O'Brien; Board Member Lara Shayne; Executive Director Victor Blackwell; General Counsel Ellen Strizak; Assistant General Counsel Dawn Harden; Staff Attorney Tracey Trigillo; Attorney Stephen Yokich, counsel for the Chicago Teachers Union; Attorney Peter Brierton, counsel for the Chicago Board of Education; and Stuart Karoubas, court reporting services.

**II. OPENING REMARKS**

Brief statement made by Board member Sered regarding why the instant Board meeting was held via video conferencing rather than in-person.

**III. BOARD ACTIONS**

**1. Chicago Teachers Union, Local No. 1, IFT-AFT, AFL-CIO/Chicago Board of Education, Case No. 2021-CA-0014-C (ORAL ARGUMENT ON REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTIVE RELIEF)**

Appearing on behalf of the Chicago Teachers Union, Local No. 1, IFT-AFT, AFL-CIO (Union) was Attorney Stephen Yokich for presentation of oral argument. Appearing on behalf of the Chicago Board of Education (Employer) was Attorney Peter Brierton for presentation of oral argument.

General Counsel Strizak issued oral argument guidelines to the parties. Stephen Yokich argued the case before the Board on behalf of the movant Union. Peter Brierton argued the case before the Board on behalf of the Employer. Counsel Yokich for the Union presented a rebuttal argument before the Board. Counsel Brierton for the Employer presented a sur-reply. Board members Shayne, Sered and O'Brien posed questions to counsels for the parties and a discussion ensued.

After discussion, General Counsel Strizak recommended that the Board deny the Union's request that this Board petition the court for injunctive relief because the Union failed to satisfy both prongs of the injunctive relief test.

Thereafter, Board member Sered motioned that the Board deny the Union's request for injunctive relief. The Board passed the motion unanimously, by a roll call vote.

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**V. ADJOURN**

Board member Sered called for a motion to adjourn the Webex meeting. Board Member Shayne so moved, and Board Member O'Brien seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting, by roll call vote.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ILLINOIS EDUCATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD ON THIS 17<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2020.**