

STATE OF WASHINGTON

BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the matter of the petition of:

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF
OPERATING ENGINEERS, LOCAL 280

Involving certain employees of:

RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

CASE 15231-E-00-2544

DECISION 7188 - PECB

CERTIFICATION

Representation Election
Pursuant to Agreement
of Parties

Don Bushey, Union Representative, represented the petitioner.

Kenneth B. Rice, Attorney at Law, and Steve Witeck, Chief Negotiator, represented the employer.

Eric Nordlof, Attorney at Law, represented the intervener, Public School Employees of Washington.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The above-named petitioner timely filed with the Public Employment Relations Commission a petition for investigation of a question concerning representation of employees of the above-named employer; said petition was accompanied by a showing of interest which was administratively determined by the Commission to be sufficient; and the employer declined voluntarily to extend recognition to the petitioner as the exclusive bargaining representative of its employees.
2. The organization(s) listed above as interveners timely moved for intervention in the captioned proceedings; and said motion for intervention was in each case supported by a showing of interest which as administratively determined by the Commission to be sufficient.
3. These representation proceedings were conducted by the Commission in the bargaining unit described as:

ALL FULL-TIME AND REGULAR PART-TIME MAINTENANCE, CUSTODIAL, TRANSPORTATION, AND SECURITY EMPLOYEES OF THE RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT,

EXCLUDING SUPERVISORS, CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES,
AND ALL OTHER EMPLOYEES.

4. All proceedings were conducted under the supervision of the Commission in a manner designed to afford the affected employees a free choice in the selection of their bargaining representative, if any; a tally of the results was previously furnished to the parties and is attached hereto; and no meritorious objections have been filed with respect to these proceedings.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

The unit described in finding of fact number 3 is an appropriate unit for the purposes of collective bargaining within the meaning of RCW 41.56.060; and all conditions precedent to a certification have been met.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

CERTIFIED

The employees of the above named employer employed in the appropriate collective bargaining unit described in finding of fact number 3 have chosen:

PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES OF WASHINGTON

as their representative for the purpose of collective bargaining with their employer with respect to wages, hours and conditions of employment.

Issued at Olympia, Washington, this 28th day of September, 2000.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

MARVIN L. SCHURKE, Executive Director