

STATE OF WASHINGTON

BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the matter of the petition of:)
WASHINGTON EDUCATION ASSOCIATION) CASE 15354-E-00-2562
Involving certain employees of:) DECISION 7208 - PECB
NORTH RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT) INTERIM CERTIFICATION
Representation Election
By Agreement of Parties

Karen Hartman, Field Representative, represented the petitioner.

Eugene Avey, Superintendent, represented the employer.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The above-named petitioner timely filed a petition for investigation of a question concerning representation with the Public Employment Relations Commission, involving certain employees of the above-named employer. The showing of interest filed in support of the petition was administratively determined by the Commission to be sufficient. The employer declined voluntarily to recognize the petitioner as the exclusive bargaining representative of its employees.
2. As a result of preliminary processing of the petition, the Commission proceeded with determination of the question concerning representation, and issues framed concerning the eligibility of certain employees for inclusion in the bargaining unit were reserved for subsequent determination.
3. These representation proceedings were conducted in the bargaining unit described as:

All full-time and regular part-time classified employees of the North River 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 a bargaining

representative. A tally of the result was previously furnished to the parties, and is attached hereto. The reserved eligibility issues do not affect the outcome of the question concerning representation. No meritorious objections have been filed with respect to these proceedings.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The bargaining unit described in paragraph 3 of the foregoing findings of fact is an appropriate unit for the purposes of collective bargaining.
2. All conditions precedent to issuance of an interim certification have been met.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

ORDERED

1. The employees of the above-named employer in the appropriate bargaining unit described in paragraph 3 of the foregoing findings of fact have chosen:

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and that organization is certified as their exclusive bargaining representative for the purpose of collective bargaining with their employer.

2. The above-captioned matter is remanded for further proceedings on the eligibility issues previously reserved, as described in paragraph 2 of the foregoing findings of fact.

Issued at Olympia, Washington, this 1st day of November, 2000.

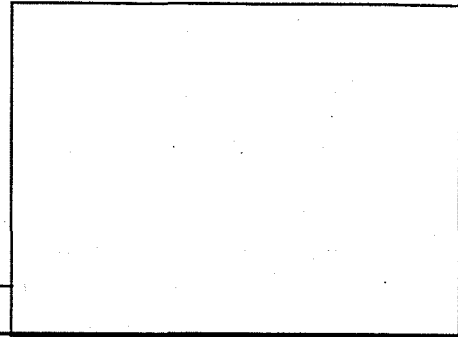
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Applicable Rule: WAC 391-25-550

CASE NUMBER 15354 E-00-2562 EMPLOYER North River School District

The Public Employment Relations Commission has tabulated the ballots cast in the election conducted in this case, and certifies that the results of the election are as follows:

- 1. APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE VOTERS 5
- 2. VOID BALLOTS 0
- 3. VOTES CAST FOR Washington Education Assn 3
- 4. VOTES CAST FOR _____ _____
- 5. VOTES CAST FOR _____ _____
- 6. VOTES CAST FOR NO REPRESENTATION 0
- 7. VALID BALLOTS COUNTED (Total of lines 3 through 6) 3
- 8. CHALLENGED BALLOTS CAST 1
- 9. VALID BALLOTS COUNTED PLUS CHALLENGED BALLOTS (Total of lines 7 and 8) 4
- 10. NUMBER OF VALID BALLOTS NEEDED TO DETERMINE ELECTION 3
- 11. CHALLENGED BALLOTS (check one):
 - ARE SUFFICIENT IN NUMBER TO AFFECT THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTION.
 - DO NOT AFFECT THE OUTCOME OF THE ELECTION.
- 12. THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTION APPEAR TO BE (check one):
 - INCONCLUSIVE, SO THAT A RUNOFF ELECTION WILL BE NECESSARY.
 - CONCLUSIVE, FAVORING THE CHOICE LISTED ON LINE 3 ABOVE.

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DATE ISSUED OCT 19, 2000

BY Sally JOHNSON

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF OBSERVERS

The undersigned acted as authorized observers for the parties, and acknowledge service of a copy of this tally of ballots.

- For the Employer Title Date
- For organization listed on Line 3 Title Date
- For organization listed on Line 4 Title Date
- For organization listed on Line 5 Title Date
- For decertification petitioner Title Date