## STATE OF WASHINGTON

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the matter of the petition of:	)
FRANKLIN PIERCE ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL OFFICE PERSONNEL	) CASE 8211-C-89-460
For clarification of an existing bargaining unit of employees of:	DECISION 3462 - PECB
FRANKLIN PIERCE SCHOOL DISTRICT	ORDER OF DISMISSAL
	) }

On October 9, 1989, the Franklin Pierce Association of Educational Office Personnel filed a petition for clarification of an existing bargaining unit with the Public Employment Relations Commission, seeking a ruling on whether Franklin Pierce School District employees holding positions titled: "Payroll", "Fiscal Analyst", "Support Services Secretary", and "Curriculum/Instruction Secretary", should be included in the bargaining unit represented by that organization. The matter was docketed as Case 8211-C-89-460.

On October 16, 1989, the Classified Public Employees Association/WEA (CPEA) filed a petition for investigation of a question concerning representation with the Commission, seeking to replace the Franklin Pierce Association of Educational Office Personnel as exclusive bargaining representative of the office-clerical bargaining unit in the Franklin Pierce School District. That matter was docketed as Case 8207-E-89-1394. The bargaining unit involved was the same unit as involved in Case 8211-C-89-460.

A pre-hearing conference was conducted in Case 8227-E-89-1394 on November 9, 1989, at which time the parties entered into an election agreement pursuant to WAC 391-25-230, stipulating the existence of a question concerning representation. The parties also filed a supplemental agreement, pursuant to WAC 391-25-270, on

the bargaining unit status of the four positions involved in Case 8211-C-89-460.

The attention of the parties is directed to WAC 391-35-010, which states:

In the absence of a question concerning representation, a petition for clarification of an existing bargaining unit may be filed . . .

Where a question concerning representation exists, all issues concerning the scope of the bargaining unit and eligibility of voters <u>must</u> be resolved in the context of the representation proceedings conducted pursuant to Chapter 391-25 WAC. The above-captioned unit clarification case was thus held in abeyance pending the procession of the representation case. Case 8227-E-89-1394 has been processed, and an interim certification has been issued naming the CPEA as exclusive bargaining representative of the employees involved. The processing of the above-captioned case is thus precluded by WAC 391-35-010.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

## ORDERED

The petition for clarification of an existing bargaining unit filed in the above-captioned case is DISMISSED.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, this <u>9th</u> day of April, 1990.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS, COMMISSION

MARVIN L. SCHURKE, Executive Director

This Order may be appealed by filing a petition for review with the Commission pursuant to WAC 391-35-210.