

**ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

NAME OF COMMITTEE: Labor Relations Committee

DATE: August 12, 2009

TIME: 4:00 PM

PLACE: Legislative Conference Room, 6th Floor

LEGISLATORS PRESENT: Honorable Philip C. Terpening (Chair), Honorable Wayne Harris (Deputy Chair), Legislative Chairman David B. Donaldson, Legislators Jon Decker, Roy Hochberg, Richard Gerentine and James Maloney

LEGISLATORS ABSENT: Legislator Stoeckeler

OTHERS ATTENDING: Jen Fuentes (HVALF)
Joe Libonati (LIUNA 17)
Matt Stoddard, BSOW 417
Susan DelGiorno, HVALF
Karen Nurmerato, Candidate, UC Legislature District No. 9

4:15 Arrival of Guests from Hudson Valley Health Alliance:
Dave Lundquist, CEO
Margot McGilbert
Steve Haas, CFO
Bob Sideman, CAO

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chairman Terpening at 4:05pm.

2. Previous Minutes

Minutes from previous meeting distributed.

3. Introductions

4:06pm

4. Home Improvement Contract Licensing

-Phil Terpening addressed that there has been no response from county attorney, follow up necessary
Health Alliance Board Members
Reintroductions 4:15pm
Health Alliance CEO Dave Lundquist and staff updated the Committee on negotiations with NYSNA:
-Contract negotiations have been moving along as both sides continue to bargain in good faith
-Benedictine Hospital workers won recognition last fall but there is some difficulty in bringing Kingston and Benedictine Hospitals together—the hospitals 'were in competition'
-Adamantly defended Hospital's decision not to allow permanent representative on floor—'disrupts care'

- Matt Stoddard suggested that we look at other hospitals in the area to determine if their employees have access to a representative on the floor
- Invited members of the Labor Committee to tour hospital floor

5. Ulster County Community Service Initiative Projects

Supplies:

- Herzog—may have some supplies to offer and able to provide materials at cost
- Lowe's—will provide materials for 501C status
- Home Depot—no response yet
- Habitat for Humanity/Access for Living—yet to be contacted

Dave Donaldson proposed that Habitat be invited to become involved in the Committee

6. New Business

Administrative Services Committee

- Whistle Blower Resolution for consideration (was distributed to committee)

7. Motion to Adjourn

4:55pm by Jon Decker, Seconded by Wayne Harris