

State of New Hampshire

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

ORFORD TEACHERS ASSOCIATION, NEA-NH:

Petitioner

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CASE NO. T-0206:11

DECISION NO. 87-40

ORFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Respondent

DECISION AND ORDER

The opinion of the Board has been sought regarding the validity of a factfinder's report rendered after the thirty (30) days prescribed by Board Rule 305.03 when no extension had been granted by the Board.

It is the opinion of the Board that, absent the agreement of both parties to treat the factfinder's report as if it had been rendered in accordance with the rule, the report is invalid. Since one party has objected to the report on the basis of the delay and is within its right to do so, the Board rules that the factfinder's report is inconsistent with the required process and factfinding must be reinstituted. Therefore, no action taken on the invalid report by any party will be recognized as part of the impasse resolution process. However, if either party wishes to be heard on this matter, the Board will convene in special hearing. No action is to be taken on the factfinder's report pending any such hearing and any request must be received within five (5) days of this order.

Signed this 1st day of June, 1987.

ROBERT E. CRAIG, Chairman

By unanimous vote. Chairman Robert E. Craig, Members Richard E. Molan, Esq., Richard W. Roulx and James C. Anderson voting.