

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DECISION OF THE
PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD



OAKDALE DISTRICT ORGANIZATION OF)
CLASSROOM TEACHERS,)
)
Charging Party,) Case No. S-CE-1026
)
v.) PERB Decision No. 620
)
OAKDALE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL) May 20, 1987
DISTRICT,)
)
Respondent.)
_____)

Appearance; Ken Burt, Attorney, for Oakdale District
Organization of Classroom Teachers.

Before Hesse, Chairperson; Porter and Craib, Members.

DECISION AND ORDER

HESSE, Chairperson: This case is before the Public
Employment Relations Board (PERB or Board) on appeal of a
partial dismissal by a Board agent of an unfair practice
charge. Charging party, Oakdale District Organization of
Classroom Teachers, alleges that respondent, Oakdale Joint
Union High School District, violated section 3543.5(c) of the
Educational Employment Relations Act (EERA)¹ by unilaterally
altering a policy regarding complaints against teachers.

On May 12, 1987, the general counsel of this agency
requested that this case be remanded for further investigation.
The Board has adopted a procedure whereby the general counsel

¹EERA is codified at Government Code section 3540 et seq.

conducts a routine review of cases dismissed by Board agents. As the Board noted in response to a similar request in California State Employees' Association (Morrow) (1986) PERB Decision No. 568-S, the purpose of the review procedure is to minimize, and hopefully reduce, appellate litigation prompted by inadequacies in the processing of unfair practice charges. A request for remand reflects the general counsel's reasoned conclusion that further investigation would serve that purpose. We conclude that the request for remand should be granted.

Therefore, upon review of the entire record, we find that the case is appropriately REMANDED to the general counsel for further investigatory proceedings. It is so ORDERED.

Members Porter and Craib joined in this Decision.