WAC 456-09-530 Settlement conference. (1) At any time prior to hearing, the board may, upon its own motion or upon written application by a party, order a settlement conference. The conference shall be scheduled with not less than fourteen days' notice to each party at a time and place fixed by the board and conducted in a form and manner prescribed by the board with notice to the parties.

(2) In the event the appeal does not settle, hearing on the matter shall be set. The presiding officer of the hearing will not be the person who conducts the settlement conference.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 82.03.170. WSR 05-13-141, § 456-09-530, filed 6/21/05, effective 8/1/05. Statutory Authority: RCW 82.03.170, 34.05.250, 82.03.140 and 82.03.160. WSR 90-11-105, § 456-09-530, filed 5/22/90, effective 6/22/90. Statutory Authority: RCW 82.03.170. WSR 89-10-056 (Order 89-02), § 456-09-530, filed 5/2/89.]