



Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING
THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY
AT 3:00 P.M., ON OCTOBER 3, 1974

PRESENT:

The Honourable E. A. Winkler
The Honourable J. W. Snow
The Honourable D. Timbrell
Mr. J. Shantora
Mr. E. H. Strauss
Mrs. E. Storton
Mr. R. Fleming

Mr. Strauss reviewed the Supplementary Estimates
References 1 to 5 inclusive to cover salary
adjustments and employee benefits.

Reference 6 to set up funds for the Office of the
Chief Administrative Officer and support staff -
New Staff and transfer from M.G.S.

Reference 7 Employee Benefits re above.

Reference 8 travelling expenses, etc.

Reference 9 stationery, office supplies and
equipment.

Re Sessional and other requirements -

Reference 10 - Secretaries' salaries in the mid
Secretary 5 category.

Mr. Snow brought up the question of translation
services and charges for same. Mr. Strauss to
check on this.

November 1 possible inception date - salaries
pro-rated for 5 months.

Question of long distance calls by Members discussed.
Re using Centrix or Direct Dialing rather than
Credit Card.

Additional amounts for Select Committee discussed.

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Reference 12 - Agreement that Dining Room operation be transferred to the Speaker. Mr. Strauss noted that in his discussion with Mr. Malcolm Rowan (Premier's Office) he wanted to make sure that the Speaker does not ban it to the general public or people working in this building. Agreed it should be operated under the same rules.

Concurred in estimates, Management Board to be notified and supplementary estimates to be presented as soon as possible.

Mr. Shantora presented a draft bill -

Sections 29 to 33 dealing with the election of a Deputy Speaker - Note made re Section 33 with reference to 48 "consecutive hours" - Mr. Shantora to check on this.

Section 68 - dealing with House Leaders. If House Leader is Minister with Portfolio \$7,500 does not apply or Minister without Portfolio - If a private Member appointed House Leader he would get \$7,500.

Section 69 - Unconditional Allotment to Caucuses.

Section 70 - Unconditional Allotments \$5,000 per Caucus Member and for the staff of the Leaders.

Section 71 - Secretary for each member.

Section 72 - Members' office equipment, supplies and services - discussion as to copying machines and agreed these should not be provided.

Section 73 to 76 inclusive - No particular discussion.

Section 77 - Sergeant-at-Arms should be added.

Section 78 - O.K.

Section 79(d) - Change The Chairman of the Board of Internal Economy to the Speaker.

Section 80 to 83 - General discussion.

Section 84 - Suggestion that in dealing with Select Committees the Speaker on the application of the Chairman and Secretary of a Select Committee make an accountable advance to cover expenses of that Committee.

Sections 85 to 88 - O.K.

Section 89 - discussion as to deletion of this section.

Sections 90 to 95 discussed.

Section 96 - Considerable discussion but opinion seemed to be to leave out reference to collective bargaining.

Section 97 - (c) Reference to Sergeant-at-Arms to be left out.

Section 81 - Legislative Assembly Fund - Account should be maintained in the Province of Ontario Savings Bank or any other bank designated by the Board of Internal Economy.

General discussion of Sections 98 to end.

Mr. Shantora instructed to go ahead with Bill with Legislative Counsel.

Report from Mr. Fleming with regard to Communication with Caucuses and report on staffing - Question by Caucuses how they were to be officially informed. Question of whether House Leaders would be permitted an Administrative Assistant. Question of whether Chief Whip's Secretaries would be given any increase in salary compared to Members' secretaries.

Report by Mr. Fleming re O.P.P. re Security arrangements. Guidelines to be drawn up.