



Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING #9/76 OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY
HELD IN ROOM 185, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING AT 9.00 A.M.
ON THURSDAY, MAY 13, 1976

PRESENT:

Members of the Board

Mr. J. Stokes, MPP, Deputy Speaker, Deputy Chairman
Hon. J. Auld
Hon. J. Snow
Mr. I. Deans, MPP
Mr. J. Breithaupt, MPP
Mr. D. Morrow, MPP

Secretariat of the Board

Mr. R. Fleming, Director of Administration
Mrs. E. Storton, Recording Secretary
Mrs. E. Stephenson

Legislative Assembly Staff

Mr. J. Miggiani, Finance Officer
Mr. W. Wilson, Personnel Officer

ABSENT:

Hon. R. Rowe, Speaker
Hon. R. Welch

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

Item 1 Approval of the Minutes of Meeting #8/76:

Moved by Mr. Auld, seconded by Mr. Deans, that the Minutes of Meeting #8/76 be approved as circulated.

Item 2 Government Caucus Research Allowance:

It was moved by Mr. Deans, seconded by Mr. Breithaupt, that Members of the Board should go before the Caucuses in order to discuss such matters as a research allowance for the Government Caucus and other questions, and that Mr. Fleming prepare a list of items to be presented by Members of the Board.

Item 3 Constituency Offices - Questions:

It was decided that the Constituency Office questions raised under this Item be discussed by the Board with each Caucus.

It was agreed that in the case of a Member spending more than the Constituency Office Allowance, the Member himself should pay all invoices in excess of the Allowance (TAB A (a)). However, it was further agreed to make a final decision on this procedure following Board visits to Caucuses.

Item 4 Fringe Benefits for Staff:

It was agreed that the Board discuss this matter with the Caucuses prior to considering it further.

Item 5 Salaries - Secretaries to Parliamentary Assistants:

Moved by Mr. Deans, seconded by Mr. Morrow, that the question of Parliamentary Assistants' Secretaries' salaries be resolved according to the mechanism outlined by Mr. Miggiani in TAB H.

Item 6 Provision of Portable Tape Recorders & Calculators for Members:

Moved by Mr. Deans, seconded by Mr. Snow that any Members choosing to purchase a portable tape recorder should be permitted 20% depreciation per year, to be charged against the Constituency Office Allowance.

Moved by Mr. Breithaupt, seconded by Mr. Morrow that calculators should not be provided for Members.

Item 7 Members' Accommodation Allowance:

It was moved by Mr. Auld, seconded by Mr. Breithaupt that Members' Accommodation Allowance be increased by \$900. to \$3,900. per year and that an amendment to Section 65, sub-section 7 of the Legislative Assembly Act be prepared.

Item 8 Members' Insurance & Retirement Allowance:

Mr. Morrow indicated that his Caucus had not concluded discussions on this matter. Mr. Deans advised that his Caucus have formed a committee to look into this matter. It was, therefore, decided to defer this item until the next meeting.

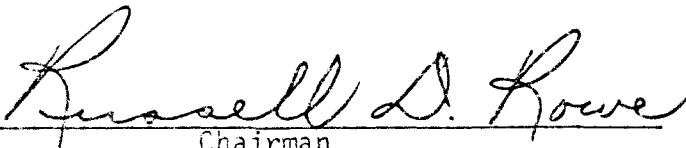
Item 9 Northern Members' Air Travel & Accommodation Allowances:

Moved by Mr. Breithaupt, seconded by Mr. Deans that the Board approve the draft legislation, as set out in TAB I.

Item 10 Other Business:

A letter from Michael Gee, Director of the Government Members' Service Bureau, to Mr. Morrow regarding Members' photographs was tabled. It was recorded by the Board that there had never been any Minute issued covering Members' publicity photographs and Mr. Fleming was instructed to provide more information on this item and bring it to the next meeting of the Board.

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May 14, 1976


Chairman