



Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING #17/76 OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY
HELD IN R. 263, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING AT 3.30 P.M. ON
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1976

PRESENT:

Members of the Board

Hon. R. Rowe, Speaker, Chairman
Hon. R. Welch, Q.C.
Hon. J. Auld
Hon. L. Henderson
Mr. L. Maeck, MPP
Mr. J. Breithaupt, MPP

Secretariat of the Board

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

Legislative Assembly Staff

Mr. P. Brannan, Chief of Hansard
Mr. W.S. Wilson, Personnel Officer
Mr. J. M. Miggiani, Finance Officer

ABSENT:

Mr. I. Deans, MPP

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

Item 1 Approval of the Minutes of Meeting #16/76:

Moved by Mr. Maeck, seconded by Mr. Breithaupt and agreed that the Minutes of Meeting #16/76 be approved as circulated.

Item 2 Members' Secretaries & Caucus Staff Pension Benefits - Progress Report:

- (a) Moved by Mr. Breithaupt, seconded by Mr. Maeck and agreed that a complement of regular employees of the three Caucuses eligible for Insurance and Pension benefits be set at 155.
- (b) Moved by Mr. Auld, seconded by Mr. Maeck and agreed that a letter be sent to the secretaries to Parliamentary Assistants and to the secretaries to Ministers Without Portfolio enquiring as to whether they would be interested in joining any pension plan which may be extended to Caucus employees by reverting to a salary equivalent to the Caucus level.
- (c) Moved by Mr. Breithaupt, seconded by Mr. Maeck and agreed that the Public Service Superannuation Fund be selected as the means of providing pension benefits to the staff of the Caucuses and that steps be taken to amend the Legislative Assembly Act where required.

Item 3 Constituency Office Secretaries' Salaries:

This item was deferred for discussion at a later date.

Item 4 Constituency Offices - Provision of Ontario Statutes,
Ontario Regulations, Hansard and Ontario Gazette:

The Board discussed this matter but declined to make a decision.

Item 5 Hansard Computer Index System:

Moved by Mr. Breithaupt, seconded by Mr. Maeck and agreed that the installation of a Hansard Computer Index System be approved.

Item 6 French Language Training for MPPs:

This item was deferred for discussion at a future meeting.

Item 7 Approval of Special Accommodation Expenses - Riding:

Moved by Mr. Breithaupt, seconded by Mr. Maeck and agreed that two items of Special Accommodation costs, incurred under Section 65(5) of the Legislative Assembly Act, 1976, in the amounts of \$12.84 and \$12.00, be approved.

Item 8 Other Business:

(a) Moved by Mr. Breithaupt, seconded by Mr. Maeck and agreed that since the Board will not meet again in 1976, and therefore any decision will be deferred until later on the acceptability of the costs of advertising and services in connection with Riding meetings being met out of the Constituency Office Accommodation Allowance, the responsibility for the accounts already presented by some Members be theirs, whether or not the Board approves such payments at a future date.

(b) The Chairman tabled a letter dated December 14, 1976 from Mr. I. Deans, MPP, with respect to staff salaries in the NDP Caucus. No decision was reached but Mr. Wilson was requested to look into the matter and report back to the Board.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Moved by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mr. Breithaupt and agreed that the meeting adjourn.

December 17, 1976
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Chairman