



Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING #1/79
OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY
HELD IN ROOM 263, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING
AT 10:00 P.M., ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1979

PRESENT:

Members:

The Honourable John E. Stokes, Speaker, Chairman
The Honourable Robert Welch, Q.C.
The Honourable George McCague
The Honourable Douglas Wiseman
Mr. Robert Nixon, M.P.P.
Mr. Elie Martel, M.P.P.

Secretariat:

Mr. R. J. Fleming, Director of Administration, Secretary
Mrs. Frances L. Edge, Recording Secretary
Mrs. Yvonne J. Chortyk, Administrative Coordinator

Legislative Assembly Staff:

Mr. Roderick Lewis, Q.C., Clerk of the House
Mr. J. M. Miggiani, Finance Officer
Mr. William S. Wilson, Personnel Officer

Guests:

The Honourable Donald R. Morand, Q.C., Ombudsman
Mr. K. A. Hoilett, Executive Director, Office of the Ombudsman
Mr. J. A. Mills, Controller, Office of the Ombudsman
Mr. John Allan, Accountant, Office of the Ombudsman
Mr. Mark Nantais, Administrative Assistant to the Ombudsman
Mr. A. McFedries, Assistant Clerk and Clerk of the Select
Committee on the Ombudsman

ABSENT:

Mr. Bud Gregory, M.P.P.

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

ITEM 1 Approval of Minutes of Meeting #17/78

Moved by Mr. Wiseman, seconded by Mr. Martel,
and agreed, that the Minutes of Meeting #17/78
be approved as circulated.

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ITEM 2 Office of the Ombudsman:
 Review of the 1979/80 Estimates

Agreed that the 1979/80 Estimates of the Office of the Ombudsman be approved in the amount of \$4,172,000 and that the complement of classified staff be 116.

ITEM 3 Caucus Allowances:
 (a) Unconditional Allowance
 (b) Leaders' Staff Allowance
 (c) Research Allowance

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. Martel, that the Caucus Unconditional Allowance Formula be increased from \$7,000 to \$7,500 and that the Staff Allowance for Opposition Leaders be increased from 40% to 60%.
Motion not carried.

It was decided to defer Item 3. Mr. Martel undertook to make comparative figures available to Members for study before the next meeting.

ITEM 4 Constituency Offices:
 (a) Office Accommodation Allowance
 (b) Secretarial Support Allowance

Discussion deferred to next meeting.

ITEM 5 Members' Secretary/Assistants:
 Salary Increase

Discussion deferred to next meeting.

ITEM 6 Other Business:
 (a) Commission on Election Contributions and Expenses: Cost-of-living increment for Chairman

Moved by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mr. McCague, and agreed, that the Chairman of the Commission on Election Contributions and Expenses be granted a 4% or \$1,800 cost-of-living increment effective October 1, 1978 and that a recommendation for an Order-in-Council be prepared.

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ITEM 6 Other Business: (continued)

(b) Proposed Amendments:
Caucus Employees Retirement Plan

Moved by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mr. McCague, and agreed, that Section 3(b), and Section 4 of the Agreement be amended as drafted and that with respect to payment of pension contributions while an employee is on LTIP the following procedure be approved:

That where a regular employee of a Caucus becomes disabled after January 1, 1978 and has qualified for a benefit under a long term income protection plan (LTIP), he or she shall continue to be carried as a member of the Caucus Employees Retirement Plan during the course of the disability and the employer shall continue to pay the employer's share of the contribution during this time. The amount of the employee's contributions shall be absorbed in the cost of the operation of the Plan.

(c) Increase in LARA for Retired Members
or their Spouses

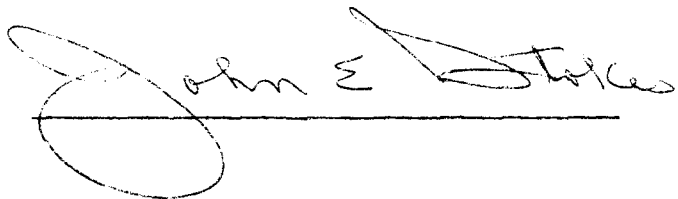
Deferred for further study by the Board.

(d) Amendments to The Election Finances
Reform Act, 1975

Mr. Fleming was asked to send to Members of the Board copies of draft legislation and supporting letters from the Chairman for them to study prior to discussion at the next Board meeting.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time and on motion duly made by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. Martel, and agreed, the meeting then adjourned.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John E. Stokes". The signature is written over a horizontal line.

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