



Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING #5/81
OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY
HELD IN ROOM 263, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING
AT 3:00 P.M., ON MONDAY, MAY 4, 1981

PRESENT:

Members:

The Honourable John M. Turner, Speaker, Chairman
The Honourable Thomas L. Wells
The Honourable Bud Gregory
The Honourable R. Bruce McCaffrey
Mr. Jack Johnson, M.P.P.
Mr. Robert Nixon, M.P.P.
Mr. Elie Martel, M.P.P.

Secretariat:

Mr. Robert 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
Ms. Ellen Schoenberger, Personnel Officer
Mr. J. Thomas Mitchinson, Executive Assistant to Director of Administration

Guest:

Mr. Donald C. MacDonald, M.P.P.

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

ITEM 1 Approval of Minutes of Meeting #4/81

Moved by Mr. Gregory, seconded by Mr. Johnson,
and agreed, that the Minutes of Meeting #4/81
be approved as circulated.

ITEM 2 Review of Caucus Funding:
(a) Unconditional Allowance
(b) Office allowance for the Leaders of
 the Opposition and NDP
(c) Research Allowance

Discussion deferred to next meeting when further
reports from each of the three Caucuses will be
submitted.

ITEM 3 1981 Salary Review: Members' Secretary/Assistants

Discussion deferred.

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ITEM 4 Review of Constituency Office Allowances

Moved by Mr. Gregory, seconded by Mr. Johnson, and agreed, that the allowance for rental of office premises, furnishings, equipment and related services for a Member's Constituency Office be increased from \$7,000 to \$8,000.

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. Johnson, and agreed, that the allowances for supplies, stationery and postage be combined and increased to a maximum of \$1,000.

Discussion of Constituency Staff Allowances deferred.

ITEM 5 Review of Toronto Accommodation Allowances

Moved by Mr. Martel, seconded by Mr. Johnson, and agreed, that the Toronto Accommodation Allowance for Members be raised to \$7,500 and that Ministers of the Crown and Opposition Party Leaders may claim up to \$8,500.

ITEM 6 Review of Travel Allowances:
(a) Automobile Mileage
(b) Travel for Special Circumstances
(c) Northern Members Special Allowance

Following discussion, it was agreed that these allowances remain as is, for the present.

ITEM 7 Review of Committee Allowances

Discussion deferred.

ITEM 8 1981-82 Cost-of-Living Revision for Employees of the Office of the Assembly

Discussion deferred.

ITEM 9 Position report on Members' office accommodation

Moved by Mr. McCaffrey, seconded by Mr. Martel, and agreed, that Mr. R. J. Fleming, Director of Administration, be authorized to lease additional space in the Hvdro Building and that various offices of the Library be moved into such space.

ITEM 10 Other Business:

(A) Political activity in the event of an election by employees paid out of Legislative Assembly Funds

Mr. Donald C. MacDonald, M.P.P., spoke to the Board.

The following motion was made: Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. Martel, that Ms. Chic be reimbursed for pay and allowances.

Mr. Gregory requested that the matter be carried forward to the next meeting of the Board.

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ITEM 10 Other Business: (continued)

(B) Letter from James R. Breithaupt, Q.C.,
M.P.P., re: Members' Allowances and
Services

The contents of a letter from James R. Breithaupt, Q.C., M.P.P., were duly noted.

(C) Increase in Finance Branch Complement

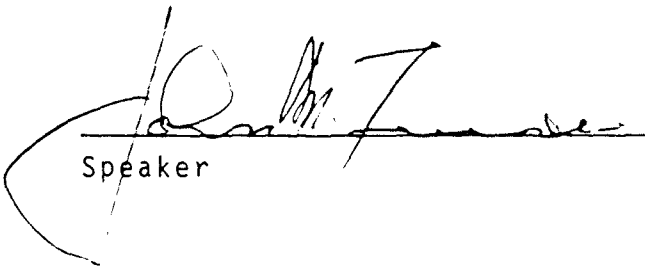
Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. Gregory, and agreed, that the staff complement of the Finance Branch of the Assembly Office be increased by three positions.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

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

The next meeting of the Board will be Monday, May 11, 1981 at 3:00 p.m.

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Speaker