



Legislative Assembly
MINUTES OF MEETING #7/84
OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY
HELD IN ROOM 263, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING
AT 3:30 P.M., MONDAY, JUNE 18, 1984

PRESENT:

The Honourable John M. Turner, Speaker, Chairman
The Honourable Thomas L. Wells
The Honourable Robert Eaton
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
Mr. J.T. Mitchinson, Assistant Secretary
Mrs. Frances L. Edge, Recording Secretary
Ms. Sandra Bowen, Administrative Co-ordinator

Legislative Assembly Staff:

Mr. Roderick Lewis, Q.C., Clerk of the House
Ms. Ellen Schoenberger, Personnel Officer
Mr. J.M. Miggiani, Finance Officer

Absent:

The Honourable Gordon Dean

Guests:

Deputy Commissioner J.W. Lidstone, O.P.P.
Superintendent W.C. Craig, O.P.P.
Mr. T. Patrick Reid, M.P.P., Chairman, Standing Committee
on Public Accounts
Mr. Al Kolyn, M.P.P., Chairman, Standing Committee on
Administration of Justice
Mr. Richard L. Treleaven, M.P.P., Chairman, Standing Committee
on Procedural Affairs
Mr. Bill Barlow, M.P.P., Chairman, Standing Committee on
Resources Development
Mr. Thomas Stelling, Sergeant-at-Arms
Mr. Franco Carrozza, Clerk, Standing Committee on Public Accounts,
and Standing Committee on
Administration of Justice
Mr. A. Smirle Forsyth, Clerk, Standing Committee on Procedural
Affairs
Mr. Douglas Arnott, Clerk, Standing Committee on Resources Development
Ms. Marcia Boyd, Office Manager, N.D.P. Caucus

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes of Meeting #6/84

Moved by Mr. Johnson, and seconded by Mr. Nixon,
and agreed, that the minutes of Meeting #6/84 be
approved as circulated.

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ITEM 2: Review of Security Arrangements in
Legislative Building

Deputy Commissioner Lidstone, Superintendent Craig and Sergeant-at-Arms Stelling presented an interim report to the Board.

ITEM 3: 1984-85 Budget Review:
Standing Committee on Public Accounts

Moved by Mr. Eaton, seconded by Mr. Johnson, and agreed, that Item 6 from Meeting #6/84 be amended to read:

"Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. Dean, and agreed, that the 1984-85 Budget for the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be approved in the amount of \$75,718.50. This represents a reduction in the Budget as presented, to reflect the Board's decision that the proposed trip to Westminster be restricted to 4 Members and 1 staff member."

ITEM 4: 1984-85 Supplementary Budget:
Standing Committee on Administration of Justice

No action was taken by the Board.

ITEM 5: 1984-85 Budget Review:
Standing Committee on Procedural Affairs

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. Eaton, and agreed, that Item 2 from Meeting #6/84 be amended to read:

"Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. Eaton, and agreed, that the 1984-85 Budget for the Standing Committee on Procedural Affairs be approved in the amount of \$86,983. This represents a reduction in the Budget as presented, to reflect the Board's decision that the proposed trip to the European Parliament be restricted to 4 Members and 1 staff member."

ITEM 6: Caucus Employees Maternity Leave Provisions

Moved by Mr. Eaton, seconded by Mr. Nixon, and agreed that, effective April 1, 1983, maternity leave provisions be extended to full-time eligible employees of the 3 Party caucuses on the same terms as employees of the Office of the Assembly. There will be no increase in funding to cover increased costs associated with this decision.

ITEM 7: Members' Services: YMCA Membership

No action was taken by the Board.

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ITEM 8: Requests from Mr. T. Patrick Reid, M.P.P.a. Toronto Accommodation Allowance

Moved by Mr. Eaton, seconded by Mr. Johnson, and agreed that, effective June 1, 1984, out-of-town Members eligible for the Toronto Accommodation Allowance who own accommodation in Toronto, be permitted to claim the costs of telephone rental and long distance charges up to the maximum level established by the Board. Receipts must accompany all claims for reimbursement.

b. Travel Allowance

Moved by Mr. Martel, seconded by Mr. Johnson, and agreed that, effective April 1, 1984, the number of trips available to spouses and eligible family members for travel between Queen's Park and the constituency under s.66(3) of The Legislative Assembly Act, be set at 12 per fiscal year. These trips can be made by air, bus and/or train. This entitlement is in addition to the 52 trips per fiscal year provided to Members under s.66(2) of the Act.

ITEM 9: Members' Office Automation/Networking System

Moved by Mr. Martel, seconded by Mr. Nixon, and agreed, that the Working Group be authorized to proceed with the benchmark testing phase of the Members' Office Automation/Networking System Project, involving up to 4 vendors selected from among those who responded to the Request For Proposal.

ITEM 10: Legislative Internship Programme

It was agreed that the Speaker would establish the appropriate administrative structure to oversee the Ontario Legislature Internship Programme, following the departure of Graham White.

ITEM 11: Symposium on the Ontario Legislature

It was agreed that the subject matter of the Symposium would be incorporated into the 10th Canadian Regional Seminar of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association being hosted by Speaker Turner on October 21 - 24, 1984.

ITEM 12: Requests from Mr. Robert Nixon, M.P.P.a. Committee per diems

The Board requested that the Government House Leader introduce an amendment to section 67 of The Legislative Assembly Act to increase the allowance for expenses payable to Committee members and Committee Chairmen from \$60 and \$70 to \$63 and \$73 respectively, effective April 1, 1984.

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b. Commission on Election Contributions and Expenses

No action was taken by the Board.

Other Business:

a. Opposition Leaders' Drivers:
Request from N.D.P. Caucus

Moved by Mr. Martel, seconded by Mr. Nixon, and agreed, that the staff complement for the Liberal and N.D.P. caucuses be increased by 1 each, and that the position of driver to the 2 Opposition Party Leaders be transferred from the contract staff of the Office of the Assembly to the complement of the respective caucus, effective April 1, 1984.

b. 1984-85 Salary Review:
Employees of the Office of the Assembly

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. Wells, and agreed, that the Board grant the following adjustments to the salary classifications of employees of the Office of the Assembly, effective April 1, 1984, subject to filing with the Inflation Restraint Board:

Clerical/operational/technical support staff	3.83%
Management Compensation Group	3.67%
Clerk of the House and Executive Compensation Group	4.23%

c. 1984-85 Salary Review:
Members' Secretary/Assistants

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. Wells, and agreed, that the Board grant a 5% salary increase to Members' Secretary/Assistants, effective April 1, 1984, and that the new salary range be:

\$19,094	\$20,239	\$21,452	\$22,846
\$24,332	\$25,912		

The maximum allowance available for Members' constituency office staff is thereby increased to \$25,912, effective April 1, 1984.

d. 1984-85 Salary Review:
Executive Assistants to Opposition House Leaders

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. Wells, and agreed, that the Board grant a 5% salary increase to Executive Assistants to the Opposition and Third Party House Leaders, effective April 1, 1984, and that the new rate be \$34,480.

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e. 1984-85 Caucus Allowances

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. Wells, and agreed, that the funding for Caucuses be increased by 5%, effective April 1, 1984, in the following categories:

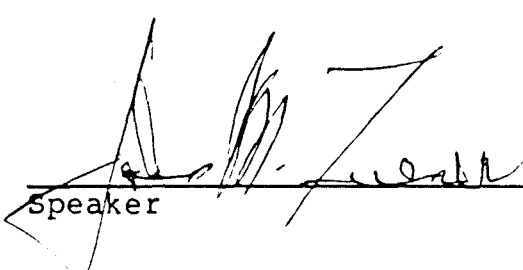
- a. unconditional allowance
- b. research allowance
- c. Opposition Leaders' personal staff allowance
- d. Research Support Funding

f. Constituency Office Staff

Moved by Mr. Martel, seconded by Mr. Eaton, and agreed that, in the event of the defeat, resignation, retirement or death of a Member, funds necessary to satisfy the obligations of that Member under the Employment Standards Act be provided by the Office of the Assembly.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned.



Speaker

20/6/84