



Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING #6/85
OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY
HELD IN SPEAKER'S BOARDROOM, ROOM 180, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING
AT 3:45 P.M., MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1985

PRESENT:

The Honourable Hugh Edighoffer, Speaker, Chairman
The Honourable Robert Nixon
The Honourable Elinor Caplan
The Honourable Jack Riddell
Ms. Joan Smith, M.P.P.
Mr. Ross McClellan, M.P.P.
Mr. Bud Gregory, M.P.P.

Secretariat:

Mr. Robert J. Fleming, Director of Administration, Secretary
Mr. Michael Wiebe, 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
Mr. L.E. Waters, Director of Finance
Ms. Ellen Schoenberger, Director of Human Resources
Mr. Tom Mitchinson, Director of Information Services

Guests:

Mr. Richard Johnston, M.P.P., Chairman, Standing Committee
on Social Development
Mr. John Lane, M.P.P., Vice Chairman, Standing Committee
on Members' Services
Mr. Michael Breagh, M.P.P., Chairman, Standing Committee on
Procedural Affairs and Agencies,
Boards and Commissions
Mr. R. Brian Land, Executive Director, Legislative Library
Mr. Mike Applin, Currie, Coopers & Lybrand
Mr. David L. George, President, Imagineering Limited
Mr. C. Peter Laidlaw, Imagineering Limited
Mr. Tim Casey, Manager, Client Services Section, Ministry of
Government Services
Mr. Gunars Laivenieks, Acting District Manager, Ministry of
Government Services
Mr. Ray Foley, Senior Policy Advisor to the Minister of
Government Services
Ms. Lynn Mellor, Committee Clerk
Mrs. Deborah Deller, Committee Clerk
Mr. Smirle Forsyth, Committee Clerk
Ms. Molly Pellecchia, Materials Manager
Ms. Jan Robinson, Assistant Finance Director

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DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes of Meeting #5/85

Moved by Ms. Caplan, seconded by Ms. Smith, and agreed, that the Minutes of Meeting #5/85 be approved as circulated.

Moved by Ms. Caplan, seconded by Ms. Smith, and agreed, that item a.(i) of Other Business in the Minutes of Meeting #4/85 be corrected to read:

"The Leader of an Opposition Party that has a recognized membership of 12 or more persons in the Assembly is provided with a base allowance of \$12,000 times 30 Members. An additional \$6,000 is payable for each Member of the party."

ITEM 2: Standing Committee on Social Development:
1985-86 Supplementary Budget Review

Moved by Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. McClellan, and agreed, that the 1985-86 Supplementary Budget for the Standing Committee on Social Development be approved in the amount of \$52,150.00.

ITEM 3: Electronic Hansard:
1985-86 Budget Request and
Project Overview

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Ms. Smith, and agreed, that the following action be taken with respect to the Electronic Hansard system:

1. that approval be given in principle to the functional design;
2. that approval be given to the allocation of \$234,000 for engineering and management consulting costs for the remainder of the 1985-86 fiscal year;
3. that authority be given to the project team to commit the Office of the Assembly to expenditures for capital equipment, as per the specifications contained in the report, in accordance with procedures outlined in the Manual of Administration;
4. that the Ministry of Government Services be requested to appoint a construction manager at the appropriate time to oversee the renovation and installation of equipment in the Chamber and Committee Room;

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ITEM 3: Electronic Hansard:
 1985-86 Budget Request and
 Project Overview (Continued)

5. that consideration be given to the revised seating proposal for the Legislative Chamber before the end of November 1985.

ITEM 4: Electronic Hansard:
 Testing Proposal

Moved by Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. McClellan, and agreed, that the Board approve a Budget of up to a maximum of \$130,000.00 for a one month, in-house trial of the Electronic Hansard system to take place between November 18th and December 13th of 1985, as per the proposal outlined by the project team. The project team were also asked to determine the appropriate fees for equipment used during the trial period, and to compensate all participating suppliers accordingly.

ITEM 5: Report from the Standing Committee on
 Members' Services

Office Supplies and Equipment

Moved by Ms. Caplan, seconded by Mr. Gregory, and agreed, that the Materials Manager be asked to prepare a proposal on pin entitlements for Members for presentation at the next Board meeting.

Moved by Ms. Caplan, seconded by Mr. Gregory, and agreed, that the Members' annual entitlement for Ontario flag pins be increased from 100 to 200, and flag allotment be increased from 15 to 20, effective April 1, 1986.

Legislative Building

The Ministry of Government Services will make a presentation to the Board at the next meeting.

Messenger Service

Staff were asked to inform all Members of the messenger services available through the Legislative Services Branch of the Ministry of Government Services.

Newsletters, Members' Indemnities and Allowances, Members' Benefits, Staff Benefits Package

Deferred to next meeting of the Board.

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- ITEM 6: Appointment of Audit Firm to Audit the
Office of the Provincial Auditor
- Deferred to next meeting of the Board.
- ITEM 7: Office of the Provincial Auditor:
1985-86 Salary Review
- Deferred to next meeting of the Board.
- ITEM 8: Report by the Executive Director of the
Legislative Library: Provision of Legal
Counsel to Committees
- Deferred to next meeting of the Board.
- ITEM 9: Legislative Library:
Request for Approval of Lease -
180 Bloor Street West
- Deferred to next meeting of the Board.
- ITEM 10: NDP Caucus: Increase in Complement
- Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr.
McClellan, and agreed, that the staff
complement of the New Democratic Party be
increased by seven.
- ITEM 11: Speaker's Annual Report
- Deferred to next meeting of the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Annual Increments:
Office of the Assembly Staff,
Caucus and Members' Support Staff

Deferred to next meeting of the Board.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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

The next meeting of the Board of Internal
Economy will be held on Monday, November
4, 1985, in the Speaker's Boardroom of
the Legislative Building at 3:45 p.m.


Speaker