



Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING #3/86
OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY
HELD IN SPEAKER'S BOARDROOM, ROOM 180, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING
AT 3:45 P.M., MONDAY, MAY 5, 1986

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. Ernie Eves, Q.C., M.P.P.

Secretariat:

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

Guests:

Mr. Ronald K. McNeil, M.P.P., Chairman, Standing Committee on
the Ombudsman
Dr. Daniel G. Hill, Ombudsman
Ms. Eleanor Meslin, Executive Director, Office of the Ombudsman
Mr. Allan Mills, Controller, Office of the Ombudsman
Deputy Commissioner J. Wm. Lidstone, Investigations,
Ontario Provincial Police
Mr. Ray Foley, Senior Policy Advisor to the Minister of Government
Services
Mrs. Barbara Cowieson, Director of Administration, Progressive
Conservative Services Bureau
Mr. R. Brian Land, Executive Director, Legislative Library
Mr. Todd Decker, Assistant Clerk
Ms. Jan Robinson, Assistant Director, Accounting Operations
Ms. Beryl Venter, Assistant Director, Financial Planning
Ms. Molly Pellecchia, Assistant Director, Supply and Services

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes of Meeting #2/86

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr.
McClellan, and agreed, that the Minutes
of Meeting #2/86 be approved as
circulated.

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ITEM 2: Security Survey: Legislative Building
and Whitney Block

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Ms. Smith, and agreed, that Deputy Commissioner Lidstone's Security Survey on Queen's Park be accepted; that the staff committee, consisting of representatives from the Assembly Office, the O.P.P. and the Ministry of Government Services, report back to the Board with their recommendations and specifications in June, 1986; and that the Sergeant-at-Arms be included as a member of the above staff committee.

Moved by Ms. Caplan, seconded by Mr. Riddell, and agreed, that the costs incurred by the Ministry of the Solicitor General in hiring additional employees to implement new security recommendations be charged back to the Office of the Assembly; and that at a future date, there be a full charge back to the Office of the Assembly for security services for Members, provided by the Ministry of the Solicitor General.

ITEM 3: Office of the Ombudsman:
Approval of Salary Classifications
and Pay Rates for Employees

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Ms. Smith, and agreed, that the Schedule of salary classifications and pay rates as submitted by the Ombudsman for all employees in the Office of the Ombudsman, be approved.

ITEM 4: Standing Committee on the Ombudsman:
1986-87 Budget Review

Moved by Mr. Eves, seconded by Mr. McClellan, and agreed, that the 1986-87 Budget for the Standing Committee on the Ombudsman be approved in the amount of \$83,594.

ITEM 5: Permanent Part-time Employees:
a) Office of the Assembly
b) Caucuses
c) Members' Support Staff

Moved by Ms. Caplan, seconded by Ms. Smith, and agreed, that the Board's approval to extend health and pension benefits to designated regular part-time employees in the Caucus and Members' support staff groups, effective July 1, 1986, be deferred until June, 1986, pending presentation to the Board of a staff report explaining both, the effect of such a decision, and the different categories and classifications of employees which may be hired by Members.

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Moved by Mr. McClellan, seconded by Ms. Smith, and agreed, that the Board approve appropriate pension and health benefits for any future employees holding regular part-time positions in the Office of the Assembly.

ITEM 6: Annual Increments:
a) Members' Support Staff
b) Caucus Support Staff

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. McClellan, and agreed, that the Members' support staff global allowance be increased by 4% to \$94,625, effective January 1, 1986 and that the maximum salary levels established for salary categories be as follows:

Legislative Assistant/
Constituency Assistant: up to \$28,026

Special Assistant: up to \$26,276

Executive Assistant: up to \$34,611

Also, agreed, that caucus support staff salaries be increased by 4%, effective January 1, 1986 and that the maximum salary levels established for salary categories be as follows:

Executive Assistant to the Opposition
House Leader: up to \$37,294

Leaders' Drivers: up to \$27,171

Caucus Systems
Administrator: up to \$31,200

Moved by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Mr. McClellan, and agreed, that the Board adopt January 1 as the salary increment date for all salaries pertaining to the Caucuses and Members' support staff; that the Board approve an expenditure increase of \$543,653 for fiscal 1986-87 in Vote 3401-05 (Members' Support Services) to cover the increase in the Members' global staff allowance; and, that an expenditure increase of \$8,600 be granted in Vote 3401-07 (Caucus Support Services) to cover the increments for Executive Assistants to the Opposition House Leaders; Leaders' Drivers; and the Caucus Systems Administrators.

ITEM 7: Toronto Accommodation Leases

Moved by Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Riddell, and agreed, that the Government be asked to amend the Legislative Assembly Act, Section 66(8) to provide that the Toronto accommodation allowance for Members be paid up to and including one month after the month in which the Member ceased to be a Member; and, that the Board be given the authority to set guidelines for the Office of the Assembly to take over the responsibility for a Member's Toronto accommodation allowance after this allowance has been terminated.

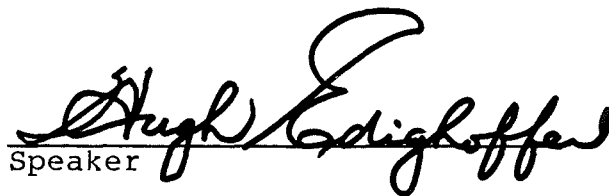
ITEM 7: Toronto Accommodation Leases (Continued)

Also, agreed, that Members be advised not to enter into leases of more than one year.

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 in the Speaker's Boardroom, in Room 180 of the Legislative Building, on Tuesday, May 27, 1986 at 3:45 p.m.


Speaker

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