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Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING #4/86
OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY
HELD IN SPEAKER'S BOARDROOM, ROOM 180, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING
AT 3:45 P.M., TUESDAY, MAY 27, 1986

PRESENT:

The Honourable Hugh Edighoffer, Speaker, Chairman
The Honourable Elinor Caplan
The Honourable Jack Riddell
The Honourable Gregory S. Sorbara
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
Mr. Larry E. Waters, Director of Finance

Absent:

Ms. Ellen Schoenberger, Director of Human Resources

Guests:

Mr. George McCague, M.P.P., Chairman, Standing Committee on General Government
Mr. Richard Johnston, M.P.P., Chairman, Standing Committee on Social Development
Mr. Philip Andrewes, M.P.P., Chairman, Select Committee on Energy
Mr. Andrew Brandt, M.P.P., Chairman, Standing Committee on Administration of Justice
Mr. David Cooke, M.P.P. Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs
Mr. Bud Gregory, M.P.P., Chairman, Standing Committee on Government Agencies
Mr. Michael D. Harris, M.P.P., Chairman, Standing Committee on Public Accounts
Mr. R. Brian Land, Executive Director, Legislative Library
Mr. Ray Foley, Senior Policy Advisor to the Minister of Government Services
Mr. Michael Applin, The Coopers & Lybrand Consulting Group
Mr. William Carruthers, Carruthers Shaw & Partners, architects
Mr. Norbert Fischer, Rybka, Smith & Ginsler, electrical consultants
Mrs. Barbara Cowieson, Director of Administration, Progessive Conservative Service Bureau
Ms. Marcia Boyd, Office Manager, N.D.P. Caucus
Ms. Ellen Murray, N.D.P. Caucus
Mrs. Debbie Deller, Committee Clerk
Mr. Franco Carrozza, Committee Clerk
Ms. Lynn Mellor, Committee Clerk
Mr. Doug Arnott, Committee 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 #3/86

Moved by Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Riddell, and agreed, that the Minutes of Meeting #3/86 be approved as circulated.

ITEM 2: Standing Committee on Resources Development: 1986-87 Budget Review

Deferred to a future meeting of the Board. A Provisional Budget for Committee travel was consented to by the House Leaders and approved by Mr. Speaker on May 20, 1986, in the amount of $10,221.

ITEM 3: Standing Committee on General Government: 1986-87 Budget Review

Moved by Ms. Caplan, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the 1986-87 Budget for the Standing Committee on General Government be approved in the amount of $211,969.28.

ITEM 4: Standing Committee on Social Development: 1986-87 Budget Review

Moved by Mr. McClellan, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the 1986-87 Budget for the Standing Committee on Social Development be approved in the amount of $61,750.

ITEM 5: Select Committee on Energy: 1986-87 Budget Review

Moved by Mr. McClellan, seconded by Mr. Sorbara, and agreed, that the 1986-87 Budget for the Select Committee on Energy be approved in the amount of $125,500.

ITEM 6: Standing Committee on Administration of Justice: 1986-87 Budget Review

Moved by Mr. Eves, seconded by Mr. Riddell, and agreed, that the 1986-87 Budget for the Standing Committee on Administration of Justice be approved in the amount of $35,250.

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ITEM 7: Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs: 1986-87 Budget Review

Moved by Mr. Riddell, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the 1986-87 Budget for the Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs be approved in the amount of $14,750.

ITEM 8: Standing Committee on Government Agencies: 1986-87 Budget Review

Moved by Mr. McClellan, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the 1986-87 Budget for the Standing Committee on Government Agencies be approved in the amount of $50,140.

ITEM 9: Standing Committee on Public Accounts: 1986-87 Budget Review

Moved by Ms. Caplan, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the 1986-87 Budget for the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be approved in the amount of $79,336.

Ms. Smith declared a conflict of interest and abstained from voting on this item.

ITEM 10: Electronic Hansard: Chamber Lighting System

Moved by Mr. Eves, seconded by Mr. Sorbara, and agreed, that the design of the indirect lighting proposal prepared by Carruthers Shaw & Partners, architects, and their electrical consultants, Rybka, Smith and Ginsler Limited, and presented to the Board by Michael Applin, management consultant of the project team, be approved.

The Board also requested that this design be presented to the Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly.

ITEM 11: Report from Information Systems Working Group

a) Caucus systems equipment orders placed prior to December 31, 1985.

Moved by Mr. McClellan, seconded by Ms. Smith, and agreed, that any caucus be authorized to amend its order with Datapoint Canada Inc. for additional computer equipment for their caucus office, by purchasing alternative systems equipment from another vendor up to the maximum amount approved by the Board for the caucuses at Meeting #8/85.

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ITEM 11: Report from Information Systems Working Group (Continued)

b) Support staffing for Members' computer systems and additional systems installed in each caucus.

Moved by Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that a consultative committee be established under the chairmanship of the Premier's Office, including: the Principal Secretaries from each caucus; one elected Member from each caucus; representatives from the Office of the Assembly; and representatives from the Ministry of Government Services. This committee is to prepare recommendations on the future legislative data service requirements and report back to the Board of Internal Economy within thirty (30) days.

OTHER BUSINESS:

(a) Legislative Assembly Act, Section 67(2); Committee Expenses and Allowances

Agreed, that the Board discuss, at a future meeting, the provisions in Section 67(2) of the Legislative Assembly Act which relate to committee expenses and allowances for all committees of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

(b) Translation and Interpretation Services; Members and Committees of the Legislative Assembly

The Board requested that staff from the Office of the Assembly prepare a report on the provision, costing and procurement of both, translation and interpretation services, for Members and all committees of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

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 Monday, June 16, 1986 at 3:45 p.m.

Hugh Edighoffer

Speaker

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