Ontario

Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING #7/88
OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY HELD IN
SPEAKER'S BOARDROOM, ROOM 180, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING
AT 8:30 A.M., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1988

PRESENT:

The Honourable Hugh Edighoffer, Speaker, Chairman
The Honourable Sean G. Conway
The Honourable Richard Patten
Mr. Ernie Eves, Q.C., M.P.P.

Absent:

The Honourable Joan E. Smith
Ms. Barbara Sullivan, M.P.P.
Mr. Dave Cooke, M.P.P.

Secretariat:

Mr. William Ponick, Controller, Secretary

Legislative Assembly Staff:

Mr. Claude DesRosiers, Clerk of the House
Mr. R. Brian Land, Executive Director, Legislative Library
Ms. Barbara Speakman, Executive Director, Assembly Services
Ms. Ellen Schoenberger, Director of Human Resources
Mr. Ajit Deshmukh, Director of Finance
Mr. Harold Brown, Special Assistant to the Speaker

Guests:

Mr. Herb Epp, M.P.P., Chairman of the Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly
Mr. Bill Somerville, Acting Director of Information Services
Mr. Smirle Forsyth, Clerk of the Committee

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

ITEM 1: **Approval of Minutes of Meeting #6/88:**

Moved by Mr. Eves, seconded by Mr. Conway, and agreed, that the Minutes of Meeting #6/88 be approved.

ITEM 2: **Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly 1988-89 Funding for ONT PARL:**

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the promotional package for **ONT PARL** not be proceeded with.

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ITEM 3: **Authorization for Establishment of Permanent Part–Time Position in the Legislative Library:**

Moved by Mr. Eves, seconded by Mr. Patten, and agreed, that there be a permanent part–time position established and that the incumbent currently on contract be appointed to the position effective October 1, 1988.

ITEM 4: **Approval of New Benefit – Paid Adoption Leave:**

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Patten, and agreed, that the benefits of paid adoption leave be approved for employees of the Assembly, Caucuses and Members support staff.

ITEM 5: **Travel Allowances to Members Outside Their Ridings:**

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that budgeting for such accommodation be provided in a future fiscal year and that the Management Advisory Committee look at cost implications and the extent to which the current 12 travel trips are used.

ITEM 6: **Access to Constituency Offices for Disabled Persons:**

Moved Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the Controller and/or Disabled Persons Secretariat undertake a comprehensive analysis of all constituency offices to determine the nature and scope of the extent of inaccessibility and to have information available for the Board by December 31, 1988 for further consideration .

ITEM 7: **Freedom of Information:**

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the staff of the Assembly prepare an analysis of the need of establishing a policy dealing with availability of information to the public and the advisability of following the intent of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

ITEM 8: **TENO Program:**

Moved by Mr. Eves, seconded by Mr. Patten, and agreed, to approve the Ministry of Culture and Communications request to make a Cabinet Submission requesting extension of the **TENO** program, without additional funding, to March 31, 1991.

ITEM 9: **Security Project:**

The Board agreed to give the report future considerations, but not to proceed further at this time.

ITEM 10: **Memorandum of Understanding:**

The Board was updated by Barbara Speakman stating that the details of required funding for the remainder of the fiscal year are being worked out.

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OTHER BUSINESS:

T.V. Monitors in Committee Rooms:

The Board agreed to have the matter brought before the Board in its normal budgeting procedure.

Re-location of Chief Election Officer:

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that a determination be made of available options and that the Ministry of Government Services respond to this request.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

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

Hugh Edighoffer

Speaker

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday, October 17, 1988
3:30 p.m., Speaker's Boardroom.

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