



Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING #6/89
OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY HELD IN
SPEAKER'S BOARDROOM, ROOM 180, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING
AT 3:30 P.M., MONDAY, JUNE 12, 1989

PRESENT:

The Honourable Hugh Edighoffer, Speaker, Chairman
The Honourable Sean G. Conway
The Honourable Richard Patten
Ms Marietta Roberts, M.P.P.
Mr. Dave Cooke, M.P.P.
Mr. Ernie Eves, M.P.P.

Secretariat:

Mr. William Ponick, Controller, Secretary
Ms Barbara Bishop, Executive Assistant, Assistant Secretary
and Recording Secretary

Legislative Assembly Staff:

Mr. Claude L. 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
Ms Elaine Baird, Senior Financial Planning Analyst
Mr. Terry Mitchell, Acting Assistant Director, Financial Planning
and Evaluation

Guests:

Ms Susan Hanna, Executive Assistant to the Government House Leader
Ms Marcia Boyd, Office Manager, NDP Caucus
Ms Barbara Cowieson, Director Administration, PC Services Bureau
Ms Ehrma Ribble, Office Administrator, Liberal Members Service Bureau
The Honourable G.T. Evans, Conflict of Interest Commissioner
Ms Lynn Harris, Executive Assistant, Commission on Conflict of
Interest
Mr. Sidney B. Linden, Information and Privacy Commissioner
Mr. Thomas J. Mitchinson, Director of Administration for the
Commission on Information and Privacy

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes of Meeting #5/89

Moved by Mr. Eves, seconded by Mr. Conway, and agreed,
that the Minutes of Meeting #5/89 be approved.

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ITEM 2: 1989-90 Estimates

Commission on Conflict of Interest (Vote 0201-16)

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Cooke, and agreed, that the 1989-90 Budget for the Commission on Conflict of Interest be approved in the amended amount of \$400,500.

Commission on Information and Privacy (Vote 0201-15)

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the 1989-90 Budget for the Commission on Information and Privacy include an amended complement to 40 from the requested 45.5, plus 4 contract positions, the costing for which is pro-rated, and that the amended estimate be approved in an amount of \$3,240,800.

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Members' Support Services (Vote 0201-05)

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Ms Roberts, and agreed, that the 1989-90 Budget for Members' Support Services be approved in the amount of \$16,329,700.

Neither the request for an adjustment to the Vacation/Sick Replacement Allowance, nor the request to increase the Global Staff Allowance was approved.

Caucus Support Services (Vote 0201-07)

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Ms. Roberts, and agreed, that the 1989-90 Budget for Caucus Support Services be amended to establish a Caucus Project allocation of \$200,000 to the New Democratic Caucus; \$200,000 to the Progressive Conservative Caucus and \$100,000 to the Liberal Caucus and that the resulting budget for Caucus Support Services be approved in an amended amount of \$9,035,900.

The Progressive Conservative request for Caucus Staff merit increases was denied.

Constituency Office Program (Vote 0201-06)

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that an increase for each Member be made to the Constituency Office Program budget under Office operations and maintenance, to \$10,000 from \$8,630, with the increase of \$1,370 reflected under miscellaneous. This increases the total appropriation to \$3,847,100.

Legislative Information Systems (Vote 0201-11)

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Ms Roberts, and agreed, that the 1989-90 Budget for Legislative Information Systems be increased by \$300,000 to reflect the 1989-90 funding for LISSC Projects as outlined in the amended submission. This increases the total appropriation to \$2,950,500.

OTHER BUSINESS:

**Select Committee on Education:
1989-90 Budget**

The Select Committee on Educations' request to advertise was denied.

The Committee Budget was deferred until a later date.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

It was agreed that Items 3 and 5 on the Agenda be deferred to the next meeting of the Board scheduled for Monday, June 19, 1989 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 180 of the Speaker's Boardroom.

Speaker

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OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

ESTIMATES 1989/90

VOTE 0201-11

LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Program Description:

This program provides funds to support the members and staff of the Assembly in achieving their business needs by providing effective technology based services and systems solutions throughout the Assembly.

<u>Total Funding:</u>	<u>Estimates</u>			
	<u>Actual 1987/88</u>	<u>Approved 1988/89</u>	<u>Proposed 1989/90</u>	<u>Variance Inc.(Decr)</u>
Information Systems	<u>\$2,627,047</u>	<u>\$2,159,260</u>	<u>\$2,950,500</u>	<u>\$ 791,240</u>

FUNDING CHANGES:

Approved Estimates 1988/89 \$ 2,159,260

Adjustments

Reduction of budget due to one-time items and projects carried forward from 1987/88. (279,000)

Increase due to projects approved in 1988/89 but carried forward to 1989/90. 50,000

Allowance for inflationary requirements at 4% maximum 120,208

Funding Reductions (over \$10,000)

After examining the components of its program, the division is effecting budget reductions as follows:

Realign Administrative Expenses	(10,000)
Reduction of Software Acquisitions	(12,080)
Reduction in the need for Training Facilities	(10,000)
Renegotiation of Maintenance Contracts	(43,600)

Total Reductions \$(75,680)

Funding Enhancements (over \$10,000)

- The Branch expects to function at full complement during 1989/90. This is expected to require an increase in administrative supplies and upgrading of equipment. 32,872
- The resource center requires two MAC II workstations, two laser printers, three keyboards, and three PT power rim cards to create a training environment similar to the workplace. 30,340
- The Systems Administration group is requesting \$258,500 to:
 - (a) Replace Six 8850 Servers 90.0
 - (b) Replace Central Processing Unit 130.0
 - (c) Install PC LAN 31.0
 - (d) Install Modems 3.0
 - (e) Cover Caucus Staff Training 4.5 258,500
- Funding required resulting from Request for Proposal for formal printing contract as discussed at Board Meeting #10/88 (December 12, 1988). Approval is requested for the total estimate of \$354,000. Although approval of \$50,000 was given in Hansard Item in 88/89, and saving of \$28,000 is expected across the Assembly, the Hansard approval is removed from the estimates for 89/90, and the savings of \$28,000 is considered minimal. 354,000

Funding required for L.I.S.S.C.

- Projects for a three - year period of \$900,000, to be appropriated at the rate of \$300,000 per year.
- Projects Plan to be tabled annually at the Board of Internal Economy prior to expenditure of funds. 300,000

Total Enhancements \$ 975,712

Net Increase (Decrease) \$ 791,240

Total Proposed 1989/90 Estimates \$ 2,950,500