Ontario

Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING #7/89
OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY HELD IN
SPEAKER'S BOARDROOM, ROOM 180, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING
AT 3:30 P.M., MONDAY, JUNE 19, 1989

PRESENT:

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

Absent:

The Honourable Richard Patten

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
Mr. Ajit Deshmukh, Director of Finance
Ms Gayle Laws, Administrative Assistant to the Speaker
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

Mr. Maurice Bossy, M.P.P., Vice Chair, Standing Committee on the Ombudsman
Mr. Franco Carrozza, Committee Clerk, Standing Committee on the Ombudsman
Mr. Harold Brown, Committee Clerk, Standing Committee on Government Agencies and also Select Committee on Education
Mr. Floyd Laughren, M.P.P., Chair, Standing Committee on Resources Development
Ms Debbie Deller, Committee Clerk, Standing Committee on Resources Development (for Lynn Mellor) and also, Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly
Ms Dianne Poole, M.P.P., Chair, Select Committee on Education
Mr. Herbert Epp, M.P.P., Chair, Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly
Mr. Ed Philip, M.P.P., Chair, Standing Committee on Public Accounts
Mr. Doug Arnott, Committee Clerk, Standing Committee on Public Accounts

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DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes of Meeting #6/89

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Ms Roberts, and agreed, that the Minutes of Meeting #6/89 be approved.

Messrs. Cooke and Eves requested that their dissenting vote to **Caucus Support Services (Vote 0201-07)** establishing the Caucus Project allocation be recorded.

ITEM 2: **Standing Committee on Resources Development 1989-90 Budget**

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the 1989-90 Budget for the Standing Committee on Resources Development be approved in the amount of $190,720.

ITEM 3: **Standing Committee on the Ombudsman 1989-90 Budget**

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Cooke, and agreed, that the 1989-90 Budget for the Standing Committee on the Ombudsman be approved in the amount of $63,120.40.

ITEM 4: **Standing Committee on Government Agencies 1989-90 Budget**

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the 1989-90 Budget for the Standing Committee on Government Agencies be approved in the amount of $55,553.

ITEM 5: **Standing Committee on Regulations and Private Bills 1989-90 Budget**

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Cooke, and agreed, that the 1989-90 Budget for the Standing Committee on Regulations and Private Bills be approved in the amount of $23,200.

ITEM 6: **Select Committee on Education 1989-90 Budget**

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Cooke, and agreed, that the 1989-90 Budget for the Select Committee on Education be approved in the amount of $149,547.

ITEM 7: **Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly 1989-90 Budget**

Moved by Mr. Cooke, seconded by Mr. Conway, and agreed, that the 1989-90 Budget for the Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly be approved with an amendment, seconded by Mr. Eves, to defer a decision on the trip to Westminster to the October BOIE Meeting. This amendment results in an adjusted budget of $110,427.

Mr. Cooke was opposed to the amendment.

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ITEM 8: **Standing Committee on Public Accounts**
1989-90 Budget

Moved by Ms Roberts, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and agreed, that the 1989-90 Budget for the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be amended to one staff attending the Sub-Committee Meeting in Edmonton, and approved in the amended amount of $98,225.

ITEM 9: **N.D.P. Leaders' Constituency Office Overexpenditure**

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and agreed, that the Board of Internal Economy will cover Mr. Rae's Constituency Office overexpenditure in the amount of $5,244.

ITEM 10: **Constituency Office Program - Car Phones**

This Item was tabled for discussion and deferred until the next meeting (at which time staff will present a Report).

ITEM 11: **Press Gallery - Steward Services**

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the present two steward positions be maintained in the Press Gallery Lounge.

ITEM 12: **Costs Incurred by Members re Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act**

Moved by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Cooke, and agreed, that the matter be referred back to Mr. Sterling, M.P.P. and the Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly for clarification on what is being requested.

ITEM 13: **Refunds for Expenses Incurred re Cancelled Trip**

This Item was tabled for discussion and deferred until the fall, at which time MAC will present a Report.

ITEM 14: **Actuarial Report on Retired Members' Allowance**

Moved by Mr. Cooke, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, to approve an increase to pensions of 4%, as set out in the recommendation.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

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

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Monday, July 17, 1989 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 180 of the Speaker's Boardroom.

Hugh Edighoffer
Speaker

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