Ontario

Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING #2/90 OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY HELD IN SPEAKER'S BOARDROOM, ROOM 180, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING AT 6:00 P.M., MONDAY, MARCH 26, 1990

Present:

The Honourable Hugh Edighoffer, Speaker, Chairman
The Honourable Chris Ward
Mr. Dave Cooke, MPP
Mr. Ernie Eves, MPP
Ms Marietta Roberts, MPP

Absent:

The Honourable Gerry Phillips
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
Ms Gayle Laws, Administrative Assistant to the Speaker

Guests:

Mr. Ajit Deshmukh, Director of Finance
Ms Beverley Biggley, Members' Expenses Coordinator
Ms Carolyn Shippel, Special Assistant to the Government House Leader
Ms Barbara Cowieson, Director of Administration, PC Service Bureau
Mr. Richard McLellan, Office Administrator, N.D.P. Caucus
Ms Ehrma Ribble, Office Administrator, Liberal Members Service Bureau

Mr. Ed Philip, Chair, Standing Committee on Public Accounts
Ms Tannis Manikel, Clerk of the Committee
Mr. Warren Bailie, Chief Election Officer
Ms Peng Tam, Chief Financial Officer, Office of the Chief Election Officer
Ms Loren Wells, Chief Election Clerk, Office of the Chief Election Officer
Mr. Bruce Calvin, Consultant
Mr. Eric Steeves, Ministry of Government Services

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes of Meeting #1/90

Moved by Mr. Cooke, seconded by Mr. Ward, and agreed, that the five handicapped employees with parking spaces not be charged for parking pending a policy review.

Moved by Ms Roberts, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, the Minutes of Meeting #1/90 be approved with an additional amendment to Page 39 of the Estimates re Caucus Support Services deleting the word COLA.

ITEM 2: Standing Committee on Public Accounts 1989-90 Budget - Revised

Moved by Mr. Ward, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the revised 1989-90 Supplementary Budget for the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the amount of $41,343, be approved.

ITEM 3: 1990-91 Estimates

Office of the Assembly

Members' Office Support Services (Vote 0201-10)

Moved by Ms Roberts, seconded by Mr. Ward, and agreed, that this Item be deferred to the next meeting at which time a Report on salary caps for Members' staff will be presented.

Office of the Chief Election Officer (Vote 501-1)

Moved by Ms Roberts, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the 1990-91 budget for the Office of the Chief Election Officer be approved in the amount of $828,400.

ITEM 4: Members Global Allowance

Moved by Mr. Cooke, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that implementation of a Global Budget be deferred to the next Estimates process.

ITEM 5: Provincial Auditor's Report

Moved by Mr. Ward, seconded by Mr. Cooke, and agreed, that the Board accept the Report of the Provincial Auditor.

ITEM 6: Pay Equity Act

This Item was tabled for discussion and it was agreed that each Caucus will prepare a plan to implement pay equity and that these plans will be brought forward to the next meeting. It was also agreed that the cost of $78,000 for the Office of the Assembly to implement pay equity for the first three months of 1990 be included in the 1989-90 budget. Further costs will be included in the 1990-91 Supplementary Estimates.

ITEM 7: Out-Counselling for M.P.P.'s

This Item was tabled for discussion and deferred to a future meeting at which time staff will present a Report from a counselling firm on what is available and at what cost.

ITEM 8: Constituency Office Access Survey

This Item was tabled for discussion and agreed that MAC would prepare a draft policy for presentation at a future meeting.

ITEM 9: Mail Study

The Report was presented to the Board and will be addressed at the next meeting of the Board.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for **Monday, April 23, 1990 at 6:00 p.m.**, in Room 180, the Speaker's Boardroom, and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Hugh Edighoffer
Speaker

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