Ontario

Legislative Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING #5/90 OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY HELD IN SPEAKER'S BOARDROOM, ROOM 180, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING AT 7:15 P.M., WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1990

Present:

The Honourable David Warner, Speaker, Chairman
The Honourable Shelley Martel
The Honourable Gilles Pouliot
The Honourable Shirley Coppen
Rev.Dennis Drainville, MPP
Mr. Murray Elston, MPP
Mr. Ernie Eves, MPP

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
Ms Barbara Speakman, Executive Director, Assembly Services

Guests:

Ms Barbara Cowieson, Director of Administration, PC Service Bureau
Ms Sheila Green, Acting Administrator, NDP Caucus
Mr. David de Launay, Executive Assistant to the Government House Leader
Mr. Bill Somerville, Acting Director, Broadcast and Recording Service

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes of Meeting #4/90

Mr. Eves moved and the Board unanimously agreed that the Minutes of Meeting #4/90 be adopted as presented.

ITEM 2: Standing Committee on the Ombudsman

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Drainville, and agreed, not to vote on a Motion to approve the Budget for the Standing Committee on the Ombudsman which the former Board approved, in principle, in July, 1990.

The Board unanimously agreed to wait for the actual expenses of the previous Parliament's Standing Committee on the Ombudsman to be brought before the Board.

ITEM 3: Assistance for Gary Malkowski, MPP (Sign Language Interpreters)

In connection with costs being incurred for sign language interpreters, the Board agreed that the Finance Branch and the NDP Caucus should determine the expenses incurred to date and advise the Board accordingly.

The Board further agreed that Mr. Malkowski and an interpreter come before the Board to discuss the implications of sign language interpretation.

Moved by Mr. Drainville, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that live captioning be extended to 20 hours per week for House proceedings and that Bill Somerville investigate the possibility of providing live captioning in the Amethyst Room.

It was further agreed that Mr. Malkowski's desk in the House be modified to house a monitor with a decoder.

Television monitors, with captioning decoders, will be placed in the Members' East and West Lobbies.

ITEM 4: Travel Expenses re Out-Counselling

The Board unanimously agreed that the request by Mr. Karl Morin-Strom, for the Board to approve travel expenses for the purpose of obtaining out-counselling services, be denied.

It was further agreed that Mr. Rick Ferraro's request to pay for acquiring a real estate or mortgage brokerage licence, under the Out-Counselling Policy, be denied.

OTHER BUSINESS

Installation of Satellite Dish

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Ms Martel, and agreed, that Bill Somerville will investigate the financial implications of putting a satellite dish on the roof of the Legislative Building, taking into account current design plans for the ventilation and air conditioning systems in connection with the roof replacement.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 28, 1990 in Room 180, the Speaker's Boardroom. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. and continue until 8:00 p.m.**

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Speaker

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