



Legislative Assembly

**MINUTES OF MEETING #7/93
OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY HELD IN
SPEAKER'S BOARDROOM, ROOM 180, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING
AT 6:30 P.M., WEDNESDAY, JULY 28, 1993
and
11:00 A.M., THURSDAY, JULY 29, 1993**

Present:

The Honourable David Warner, Speaker, Chairman
The Honourable Brian Charlton
The Honourable Fred Wilson
Mr. Steve Owens, MPP
Mr. Murray Elston, MPP
Mr. Ernie Eves, MPP

Absent:

The Honourable Shelley Wark-Martyn

Secretariat:

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

Legislative Assembly Staff:

Mr. Claude DesRosiers, Clerk of the House
Ms Barbara Speakman, Executive Director, Assembly Services
Mr. Brian Land, Executive Director, Legislative Library
Ms Mary Dickerson, Deputy Executive Director, Legislative Library
Mr. Ajit Deshmukh, Director of Finance
Ms Ellen Schoenberger, Director of Human Resources
Mr. Terry Mitchell, Assistant Director, Finance/Office of the Assembly & Commissions

Guests:

Ms Gayle Laws, Administrative Assistant to the Speaker
Ms Sheila Green, Director Administration/NDP Caucus
Ms Patty Park, Executive Director of Caucus Services/NDP Caucus
Ms Barbara Cowieson, Director of Administration/PC Service Bureau
Ms Roberta Jamieson, Ombudsman
Mr. Mike Taylor, Director, Finance and Administration, Ombudsman
Ms LaVerne Monette, Director, Investigation and Legal Services, Ombudsman

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes of Meeting #6/93

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Owens, and agreed, that the Minutes of Meeting #6/93 be approved as circulated.

ITEM 2: Social Contract

Based upon proposals prepared by the Office of the Assembly, the Board agreed to the following:

- [a] cancellation of the Summer Play, effecting a savings of \$83,000; and
- [b] four [4] days unpaid leave, effecting a savings of \$222,000.

These savings of \$305,000, combined with \$533,700 [direct cash contribution], achieve the target of \$838,700 set by the Ministry of Finance for the Assembly to meet its Social Contract obligation.

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Owens, and agreed, that the Board adopt the format of the non-bargaining unit plan, in principle, and that the Speaker has approval to post the plan.

ITEM 3: 1993-94 Estimates

The Board completed its review of the Estimates.

With the exception of the Ombudsman's Estimates which will be reviewed tomorrow, July 29, 1993, it was moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Estimates for the Office of the Assembly be approved as amended.

The individual votes and budgets follow:

Office of the Speaker [Vote 0201-01]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for the Office of the Speaker be approved in the amount of \$847,500.

Office of the Clerk [Vote 0201-02]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for the Office of the Clerk be approved in an amended amount of \$12,811,700, representing a removal of \$1,000,000 from Committee Contingency and a removal of \$12,500 for a Joint Meeting of the Canadian and American Clerks.

Office of the Sergeant at Arms [Vote 0201-03]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for the Sergeant at Arms be approved in the amount of \$482,400.

Finance and Administration [Vote 0201-04]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for Finance and Administration be approved in the amount of \$7,703,600.

Assembly Services [Vote 0201-05]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for Assembly Services be approved in the amended amount of \$13,287,300, representing a reduction of \$10,000 in funding for major displays and exhibits.

Legislative Library [Vote 0201-06]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for the Legislative Library be approved in the amount of \$6,254,100.

Sessional Requirements [Vote 0201-07]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for Sessional Requirements be reduced by \$30,000 in funding for French Language Training and that an amended amount of \$2,746,900 be approved.

Caucus Support Services [Vote 0201-08]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for Caucus Support Services be approved in the amount of \$11,771,300.

Members' Indemnities and Travel [Vote 0201-09]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for Members' Indemnities and Travel be approved in the amount of \$11,911,400.

Members' Office Support Services [Vote 0201-10]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for Members' Office Support Services be reduced by \$405,700 representing a removal of COLA from this activity and that an amended amount of \$30,281,700 be approved.

Ontario Legislative Internship Programme [Vote 0201-11]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for the Ontario Legislative Internship Programme be approved in the amount of \$166,000.

Restoration/Renovation Services [Vote 0201-12]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for Restoration/Renovation Services be approved in the amount of \$13,574,100

Commission on Election Finances [Vote 0201-13]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for the Commission on Election Finances be approved in the amount of \$1,558,000.

Office of Information & Privacy Commissioner/Ontario [Vote 0201-14]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner/Ontario be approved in the amount of \$8,756,000.

Commission on Conflict of Interest [Vote 0201-15]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for the Commission on Conflict of Interest be approved in the amount of \$295,200.

L.A.R.A.A. [Vote 0201-16]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for L.A.R.A.A. be approved in the amount of \$2,274,700.

Office of the Chief Election Officer [Vote 0501-01]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for the Office of the Chief Election Officer be approved in the amount of \$1,032,800.

Office of the Provincial Auditor [Vote 0501-01]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Charlton, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for the Office of the Provincial Auditor be approved in the amount of \$8,338,000.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Thursday, July 29, 1993

Meeting #7/93 continued at 11:00 a.m. in Room 180, the Speaker's Boardroom.

ITEM 3: 1993-94 Estimates ... continuation

Office of the Ombudsman [Vote 3101-01]

Moved by Mr. Elston, seconded by Mr. Eves, and agreed, that the 1993-94 Budget for the Office of the Ombudsman be amended to reflect a reduction of \$348,900 in the request for computers and a further reduction in salaries, wages and benefits of \$357,300, for a total reduction of \$706,200, and that the amended amount of \$9,962,000 be approved.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.



Speaker