



Legislative Assembly of Ontario

**MINUTES OF MEETING # 2/96
OF THE BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY HELD IN
ROOM 180, THE SPEAKER'S BOARDROOM
AT 4:00 PM, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 1996**

Present

The Honourable Allan McLean, MPP, Chair
The Honourable David Johnson, MPP
The Honourable Robert Runciman, MPP
The Honourable Noble Villeneuve, MPP
Ms Elinor Caplan, MPP
Mr. Dave Cooke, MPP

Absent

Ms Isabel Bassett, MPP

Secretariat

Mr. William Ponick, Controller, Secretary

Legislative Assembly Staff

Mr. Claude DesRosiers, Clerk of the House
Ms Mary Dickerson, Executive Director, Legislative Library
Ms Barbara Speakman, Executive Director, Assembly Services
Ms Ellen Schoenberger, Director of Human Resources
Mr. Ajit Deshmukh, Director of Finance

Guests

Ms Judith Baird, Executive Assistant to the Speaker
Ms Zina Decker, Executive Assistant to the Clerk
Mr. Terry Mitchell, Assistant Director, Finance - Office of the Assembly and Commissions
Ms Barbara Cowieson, Director of Administration/PC Service Bureau
Mr. Peter Curtis, Executive Director/Liberal Caucus Services
Mr. Richard McLellan, Executive Director, Operations/NDP Caucus
Mr. Mac Penney, Executive Assistant to the Honourable David Johnson
Ms Lisette Leveille, Assistant to the Honourable Noble Villeneuve
Ms Sarah Campbell, Assistant to Isabel Bassett
Mr. Erik Peters, Provincial Auditor
Mr. Ken Leishman, Assistant Provincial Auditor
Mr. Dalton McGuinty, Chair, Standing Committee on Public Accounts
Mr. Mike Colle, Vice-Chair, Standing Committee on Public Accounts
Ms Roberta Jamieson, Ombudsman
Mr. John Allan, Manager - Finance, Office of the Ombudsman
Mr. Tom Wright, Information and Privacy Commissioner
Ms Judy Hubert, Executive Director, Information and Privacy Commission

Guests [continued]

Ms Eva Ligeti, Environmental Commissioner
Mr. Peter Lapp, Executive Assistant to the Environmental Commissioner
Mr. Warren Bailie, Chief Election Officer
Ms Lorie Wells, Assistant Chief Election Officer
Ms Peng Tam, Chief Financial Officer, Office of the Chief Election Officer
Mr. Gordon Kushner, Executive Director, Commission on Election Finances
Ms Lynn Harris, Executive Assistant, Office of the Integrity Commissioner

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes of Meeting #1/96

Moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms Caplan, and agreed, that the minutes of Meeting #1/96 be approved with the following amendment:

Item 2: Food Services - paragraph two [2]

In the meantime, the Board directed that the Executive Director of Assembly Services report back to the Board at its next meeting on the option of a scaled-down, in-house Food Services operation to be implemented, effective April 1, 1996, to reduce costs and avoid layoffs [apart from attrition or renewal of existing contracts] while the RFP process is underway.

ITEM 2: 1996-1997 Estimates

Moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms Caplan, and agreed, that the Board

- A. receive, as information, the 1996-97 estimates of the agencies and commissions listed below:
- Environmental Commissioner
 - Commission on Election Finances
 - Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner
 - Office of the Integrity Commissioner
 - Office of the Provincial Auditor
- B. direct the Office of the Ombudsman and Elections Ontario to provide the Board, at its next meeting, with a detailed analysis of how their 1996-97 expenditures could be reduced by at least 20% and also to provide the Board with an assessment of the impact of such a reduction on their operations.
- C. Board defer all decisions on the final estimates meeting for the 1996-97 fiscal year.

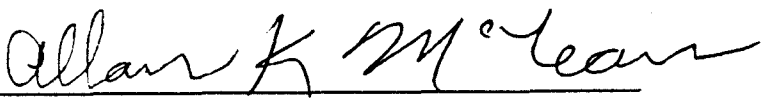
ITEM 3: Termination Provisions for Redundant Employees of the Office of the Assembly

Moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms Caplan, and agreed, that the Board approve the graduated notice / pay-in-lieu of notice schedule as set out in the memorandum of March 1, 1996 from the Director of Human Resources and agreed to examine the issues of enhanced severance when the government has signed a new collective agreement with the Ontario Public Service Employees Union and AMAPCEO.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Wednesday, April 17, 1996 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Room 180, the Speaker's Boardroom.



Speaker