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[The board met at 08:34.]

Chair Goudy: — All right. I would like to call the meeting 2/25 to order at 8:34. And first of all I would just like to do a shoutout to Hansard for your kindness and appreciate your flexibility.

Joining us today from the government are Hon. Tim McLeod, Hon. Lori Carr, MLA [Member of the Legislative Assembly] Sean Wilson, and MLA Kevin Weedmark. From the opposition we have MLA Nicole Sarauer and MLA Matt Love.

So the agenda for today is approval of proposed agenda for meeting 2/25. Could I get a mover for that?

Hon. Lori Carr: — I so move.

Chair Goudy: — And a seconder? Thank you. I'd like to table the following documents . . . So could we get an approval for the minutes for meeting 1/25? Could I get a mover for that?

So I'd like to table the following documents, items 1 through 6:

Item no. 1, the third quarter financial report for the fiscal year 2024-25 for the Legislative Assembly Service.

Item no. 2, the third quarter financial report for the fiscal year 2024-2025 for the Office of the Advocate for Children and Youth.

Item no. 3, third quarter financial report for the fiscal year 2024-2025 for the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner.

Item no. 4, the third quarter financial report for the fiscal year 2024-2025 for the Office of the Ombudsman and the Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner.

Item no. 5, the third quarter financial report for the fiscal year 2024-2025 for the Office of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner and the Registrar of Lobbyists.

Item no. 6, the third quarter financial report for the fiscal year 2024-2025 for the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Elections Saskatchewan.

Item no. 7, discussion and decision item: extension of Acting Information and Privacy Commissioner term.

Here is the motion:

That the Board of Internal Economy in accordance with subsection 40(3) of *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* further appoint Ronald J. Kruzeniski, K.C. as Acting Information and Privacy Commissioner effective April 1st, 2025 to April 30th, 2025.

Can I have a mover for that? Seconder? Any questions on that?

Hon. Lori Carr: — I do. I'm just wondering with the month extension, is that because we're still actively looking for someone to fill that spot? Do we have candidates? How's that going?

Chair Goudy: — We're in process and it's going well.

Hon. Lori Carr: — Okay.

Chair Goudy: — And we should be able to fill that spot. That is our plan before . . .

Hon. Lori Carr: — Okay. That's why we only need a month.

Chair Goudy: — And he's been very kind in giving us an extension.

Hon. Lori Carr: — Thank you.

Chair Goudy: — Any other discussion or questions on that? All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — Item 8, discussion and decision item, reappointment of Conflict of Interest Commissioner and Registrar of Lobbyists to a second term:

That the Board of Internal Economy recommends Maurice Herauf, K.C. be reappointed for one additional five-year term as the Conflict of Interest Commissioner and Registrar of Lobbyists, in accordance with subsection 18(5) of *The Members' Conflict of Interest Act*; and further,

That this recommendation be transmitted by the Chair to the Legislative Assembly in accordance with subsection 18(3) of *The Members' Conflict of Interest Act*.

Can I get a mover for that? And a seconder? All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — Thank you. Discussion and decision item 9, appointment of Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel.

That the Board of Internal Economy appoint Marie Shalashniy as the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel in accordance with subsection 78(1) of *The Legislative Assembly Act, 2007* effective April 1st, 2025.

Can I get a mover for that? And a seconder? All in favour? Any discussion? Carried.

Item 10, discussion and decision item, amendment to directive 3.1(7).

10(1) is:

That directive 3.1(7) be amended by removing all of the words after "accommodation expenses in the city of Regina at the" and insert the following:

current Regina rental market rate. A market analysis will be conducted at the start of each term. Members may exceed the directive #3.1 — MLA Travel and Living Expenses daily rate in any month but may only claim up to a maximum of 20,460 annually for reimbursement of

accommodation expenses made in accordance with this directive. In the event a member resigns, retires, or is defeated at the polls, any prepaid expenses (i.e. property taxes, insurance, etc.) will be the personal responsibility of the member to repay.

Can I get a mover on that one? And a seconder? Seconder? All in favour? Agreed. Thank you.

And 10(2):

That the amendment to directive 3.1(7) be effective April 1st, 2025.

Can I get a mover on that one? Mr. McLeod. And a seconder?

Item no. 11, discussion and decision item, amendment to directive 4.1(6).

11(1):

That directive no. 4.1(6)(g) be amended by removing all or the words after "Member" and inserting:

(g) training, registration, and tuition fees for the member to a maximum of 7,000 in total per fiscal year. Training, registration, and tuition fees of more than \$700 per conference/course must be pre-approved by the Speaker. Tuition must be to an accredited Canadian post-secondary education institution.

A member must seek pre-approval by application in writing to the board via the Speaker in exceptional circumstances that are one or more of the following:

- (i) tuition fees beyond the \$7,000 maximum individually or in total;
- (ii) training or education in non-accredited programs offered in Canada;
- (iii) tuition fees for education or training provided by accredited non-Canadian post-secondary educational institutions.

Requests for pre-approval may be granted by the Speaker in consultation with the steering committee and must include rationale as to how the training or education is in support of the member's duties as an MLA.

Could I get a mover for that? And a seconder? All in favour? Agreed. Carried.

Is there any other business before . . .

So 11(2):

That the amendment to directive 4.1(6)(g) be effective April 1st, 2025.

A mover for that? And a seconder? All in favour? Carried.

Thank you all. If there's no other business, I would ask that we

have a motion for adjournment.

Hon. Tim McLeod: — I so move.

Chair Goudy: — And time then is adjourned at 8:45. Thank you all.

[The board adjourned at 08:45.]