

MINUTES OF MEETING #3/24
BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY
December 10, 2024
Room 8, Legislative Building

Present: **Members of the Board of Internal Economy**

Hon. Todd Goudy, Chair
Hon. Tim McLeod
Hon. Lori Carr
MLA Kevin Weedmark
MLA Sean Wilson
MLA Nicole Sarauer

Absent: MLA Matt Love

Staff

Sheila Sterling, Secretary to the Board
Nulee Menegbo, Staff Speaker's Office

Officials in Attendance

Legislative Assembly Service

Iris Lang, Clerk, Legislative Assembly
Cindy Hingley, Principal Director, Financial Services
Krista Halayka, Executive Director, Member Services
Judith Majkut, Senior Manager, Financial Services

Meeting called to order at 11:35 a.m.

AGENDA: Moved by Nicole Sarauer and seconded by Tim McLeod, that the proposed agenda for meeting 3/24 be approved as presented

The question being put, it was agreed to. Minute #2333

MINUTES: Moved by Nicole Sarauer and seconded by Tim McLeod, that the minutes from meeting 2/24 be adopted as presented.

The question being put, it was agreed to. Minute #2334

The Chair tabled Items 1 through 9

ITEM 1: The first and second quarter financial reports, for the fiscal year 2024-2025 and the updated human resources and financial management policies for the Legislative Assembly Service.

ITEM 2: The Legislative Assembly Service Legislative year-end report on progress for the period April 01- 2023 - March 31, 2024.

- ITEM 3:** The first and second quarter financial reports, for the fiscal year 2024-2025 and a letter advising of no changes to the human resources and financial management policies for the Office of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner and the Registrar of Lobbyists.
- ITEM 4:** The first and second quarter financial reports, for the fiscal year 2024-2025 and the updated human resources and financial management policies for the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner.
- ITEM 5:** The first and second quarter financial reports, for the fiscal year 2024-2025 and a letter advising of no changes to the human resources and financial management policies for the Office of the Advocate for Children and Youth.
- ITEM 6:** The first and second quarter financial reports, for the fiscal year 2024-2025 and a letter advising of no changes to the human resources and financial management policies for the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Elections Saskatchewan.
- ITEM 7:** The first and second quarter financial reports, for the fiscal year 2024-2025 and the updated human resources and financial management policies for the Office of the Ombudsman and the Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner.
- ITEM 8:** The audit letter from the Provincial Auditor to the Board of Internal Economy and a letter of response from the Board of Internal Economy to the Provincial Auditor.

ITEM 9:

- a) MLA accountability and disclosure reports for the year ended March 31, 2024.
- b) Saskatchewan Party caucus audited financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2024.
- c) New Democratic Party caucus audited financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2024.
- d) Independent Member financial statement, April 2024 – September 2024.

ITEM 10: Discussion and Decision Item: Requests for Special Warrants

- a) Vote 021 – Legislative Assembly

Moved by Tim McLeod and seconded by Nicole Sarauer:

That funding be approved for Vote 021 – Legislative Assembly for the 2024-25 fiscal year as follows:

Budgetary to be voted: \$225,000

And further,

That the said amount be transmitted by the Chair to the Minister of Finance for approval as a special warrant as soon as is practicable.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

Minute # 2335

- b) Vote 055 – Information and Privacy Commissioner

Moved by Kevin Weekmark and seconded by Nicole Sarauer:

That funding be approved for Vote 055 – Information and Privacy Commissioner for the fiscal year 2024-25 as follows:

Budgetary to be voted: \$140,000

And further,

That the said amount be transmitted by the Chair to the Minister of Finance for approval as a special warrant as soon as is practicable.

The question being put, it was agreed to. Minute # 2336

c) Vote 056 – Ombudsman and Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner

Moved by Sean Wilson and seconded by Nicole Sarauer:

That funding be approved for Vote 056 – Ombudsman and Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner for the 2024-25 fiscal year as follows:

Budgetary to be voted: \$243,000

And further,

That the said amount be transmitted by the Chair to the Minister of Finance for approval as a special warrant as soon as is practicable.

The question being put, it was agreed to. Minute #2337

d) Vote 057 – Conflict of Interest Commissioner

Moved by Tim McLeod and seconded by Nicole Sarauer:

That funding be approved for Vote 057 – Conflict of Interest Commissioner for the 2024-25 fiscal year as follows:

Budgetary to be voted: \$100,000

And further,

That the said amount be transmitted by the Chair to the Minister of Finance for approval as a special warrant as soon as is practicable.

The question being put, it was agreed to. Minute #2338

e) Vote 076 – Advocate for Children and Youth

Moved by Lori Carr and seconded by Nicole Sarauer:

That funding be approved for Vote 076 – Advocate for Children and Youth for the 2024-25 fiscal year as follows:

Budgetary to be voted: \$189,000

And further,

That the said amount be transmitted by the Chair to the Minister of Finance for approval as a special warrant as soon as is practicable.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

Minute # 2339

ITEM 11: Discussion and Decision Item: Officers of the Assembly Terms

Moved by Tim McLeod that the board move in camera. The board moved in camera at 11:45 a.m. and came out of camera at 11:47 a.m.

Moved by Tim McLeod and seconded by Lori Carr:

That an open competition be authorized for the position of Information and Privacy Commissioner; and further,

That the competition shall be conducted as follows:

1. That a budget of \$25,000 be authorized;
2. That a subcommittee of the Board of Internal Economy (Board) to be chaired by the Speaker and consisting of a government member of the board, and an opposition member of the board, be established as the selection panel;
3. That the Legislative Assembly Service provide human resource assistance to the selection panel;
4. That the selection panel may identify a member of the public with the subject matter expertise to provide assistance;
5. That the selection panel recommend a preferred candidate, or candidates, to the board for consideration;
6. That the name of the candidate approved by the board be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly by the Speaker.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

Minute # 2340

ITEM 12: Discussion and Decision Item: Directive #21 Annual Indemnity, and (Legislative Secretary), and allowances amendment

Moved by Lori Carr and seconded by Nicole Sarauer:

That Directive # 21 – annual indemnity and allowances clause 6(a) be amended by inserting “**up to**” after Legislative Secretary and further,

That this amendment is effective immediately.

The question being out, it was agreed to.

Minute # 2341

Moved by Sean Wilson, that the board adjourn to the call of the chair.
The board adjourned at 11:50 a.m.