

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

MINUTE NO. 7

9:24 a.m. — māmawapiwin náyati room (Room 8)

1. **Present:** Trent Wotherspoon in the chair and members David Chan, Brad Crassweller, Hugh Gordon, Barret Kropf,* Joan Pratchler, and Sean Wilson.

Substituting Members

Barret Kropf for Hon. Daryl Harrison

2. The following documents were tabled:

Ministry of Energy and Resources: Response to question raised at the February 25, 2025 meeting
(PAC 36-30)

Ministry of Education: Report of public losses, December 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025
(PAC 37-30)

Provincial Auditor of Saskatchewan: Fourth quarter financial forecast for the year ending March 31, 2025
(PAC 38-30)

Ministry of Advanced Education: Report of public losses, January 1, 2025 to March 31, 2025
(PAC 39-30)

Ministry of Health: Report of public losses, January 1, 2025 to March 31, 2025
(PAC 40-30)

Ministry of Finance: Report of public losses, January 1, 2025 to March 31, 2025
(PAC 41-30)

3. It was moved by Hugh Gordon:

That the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, pursuant to subsection 16(1) of *The Provincial Auditor Act*, requests that the Provincial Auditor perform a special assignment investigation to examine the actions, procedures, policies, and expenditures of the Global Transportation Hub and its recent attempt to negotiate a deal for the construction of a Costco store near Regina.

The question being put on the motion, it was defeated.

4. The committee considered nominees to recommend for appointment to the audit committee pursuant to section 20 of *The Provincial Auditor Act*.

5. It was moved by Hugh Gordon:

That the committee do now meet in camera.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

6. The committee met in camera from 9:29 a.m. until 9:37 a.m.

7. It was moved by Joan Pratchler:

That the Chair consult with the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies prior to forwarding the audit committee member recommendations to the Speaker.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

8. The committee considered its application for membership to the Commonwealth Association of Public Accounts Committees (CAPAC).

9. It was moved by Sean Wilson:

That the Standing Committee on Public Accounts apply for membership to the Commonwealth Association of Public Accounts Committees (CAPAC); and further,

That the Standing Committee on Public Accounts authorize the Chair to be the CAPAC representative for Saskatchewan.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

10. The committee considered its representation at the Canadian Council of Public Accounts Committees (CCPAC) and Canadian Council of Legislative Auditors (CCOLA) annual conference in Regina, Saskatchewan from September 7 to 9, 2025.

11. It was moved by Brad Crassweller:

That the Standing Committee on Public Accounts authorize the attendance of all Standing Committee on Public Accounts members at the Canadian Council of Public Accounts Committees (CCPAC) and Canadian Council of Legislative Auditors (CCOLA) annual conference to be held in Regina, Saskatchewan from September 7 to 9, 2025.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

12. The committee considered the first report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the thirtieth legislature.

13. It was moved by Brad Crassweller:

That the first report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the thirtieth legislature be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

14. It was moved by Brad Crassweller:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

15. The committee adjourned at 9:48 a.m. to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Humble-Selinger
Committee Clerk

Trent Wotherspoon
Chair