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Mr. Terry Dennis  
Canora-Pelly

Hon. Jeremy Harrison  
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Hon. Everett Hindley  
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Mr. Matt Love  
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Ms. Alana Ross  
Prince Albert Northcote

Ms. Nicole Sarauer  
Regina Douglas Park

[The board met at 09:00.]

**The Chair:** — I will call the meeting to order. Present today is Hon. Jeremy Harrison, Hon. Everett Hindley, MLA [Member of the Legislative Assembly] Alana Ross, MLA Terry Dennis, MLA Nicole Sarauer, and MLA Matt Love.

Could I have a mover and a seconder for approval of the proposed agenda?

**Mr. Dennis:** — I so move.

**The Chair:** — Mr. Dennis. Secunder? Mr. Love. All in favour?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Chair:** — Carried. Also a mover and a seconder for the approval of minutes from meeting 1-23. Mover, please? Alana Ross. Secunder? Mr. Love. All in favour?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Chair:** — Carried.

I would like to table documents item 1 through 6. Item 1, the third quarter financial report, 2022-2023, for the Legislative Assembly Service of Saskatchewan.

Item no. 2, the third quarter financial report, 2022-2023, for the Office of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner and the lobbyist registrar.

Item no. 3, the third quarter financial report, 2022-2023, for the Office of the Ombudsman and the Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner.

Item no. 4, the third quarter financial report, 2022-2023, for the Office of the Advocate for Children and Youth.

Item no. 5(a), the third quarter financial report, 2022-2023, for the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Elections Saskatchewan; and (b), a revised third quarter financial report, 2022-2023, for the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Elections Saskatchewan.

Item no. 6, the third quarter financial report, 2022-2023, for the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner.

Item no. 7 is the discussion regarding directive #21, annual indemnity and allowances. I recognize the Government House Leader.

**Hon. Mr. J. Harrison:** — Sure, well thanks very much, Mr. Speaker. I appreciate it. So basically, I mean, there has been a significant amount of discussion around directive #21 and the formula-based system and what it has resulted in this year for MLA remuneration.

What we, I think, have all agreed as members is that the number that has come in is too high, that we need to have a look at how we can manage this. But I think also that we wish to maintain a formula-based system such that the principle that members

shouldn't be setting their own remuneration on a year-to-year basis is maintained.

So basically what I would propose is that we ask the LAS [Legislative Assembly Service] officials to provide an option of what maintaining a formula-based system might look like, keeping in clear mind that the result this year is not something that we are comfortable with and do not wish to see at that level going forward. So just that we would ask LAS to take a look and that we would reconvene the board within the next 7 to 14 days when LAS have an option that we can examine. So that's what I would put to the table.

**The Chair:** — Any other comments? None? Okay, if there's no other comments, is there any other business? Nothing? A motion to adjourn? I recognize Minister Hindley. We are adjourned.

[The board adjourned at 09:03.]