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[The board met at 11:35.]

Chair Goudy: — I would like to call meeting 3/24 to order. The time is 11:35. Board members here with us today from the government are Hon. Tim McLeod, Hon. Lori Carr, MLA [Member of the Legislative Assembly] Kevin Weedmark, and MLA Sean Wilson. And here for the opposition is MLA Nicole Sarauer.

Our first item of business is the approval of the proposed agenda for meeting 3/24. Could I please have a mover? Ms. Sarauer. And a seconder? Tim McLeod.

All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — Carried. Approval of the minutes from meeting 2/24. Could I have a mover? Ms. Sarauer. And seconder? Mr. McLeod.

All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — Carried.

I'd like to table the following documents, items 1 to 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 year-end report on progress for the period April 1st, 2023 to March 31st, 2024.

Item 3, the first and second quarter financial reports for the fiscal year 2024-2025; 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 report 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 report 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 31st, 2024; (b) Saskatchewan Party caucus audited financial statements for the year ended March 31st, 2024; (c) New Democratic Party caucus audited financial statements for the year ended March 31st, 2024; and (d) independent member financial statement, April 2024-September 2024.

Item 10. Is there any discussion?

Hon. Tim McLeod: — I understand that we're tabling items.

Chair Goudy: — Any, yeah, discussion on item 10?

Legislative Assembly Service Vote 21

Chair Goudy: — Requests for special warrants, vote 21, Legislative Assembly.

That funding be approved for vote 21, Legislative Assembly for the 2024-2025 fiscal year as follows: budgeted to be voted, 225,000; and further,

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

Could I get a mover? Mr. McLeod. A seconder? Ms. Sarauer.

All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Information and Privacy Commissioner Vote 55

Chair Goudy: — 10(b), vote 55, Information and Privacy Commissioner:

That funding be approved for vote 55, Information and Privacy Commissioner for the 2024-25 fiscal year as follows: budgetary to be voted, 140,000; and further,

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

Can I get a mover? Mr. Weedmark. And a seconder? Ms. Sarauer.

All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — Agreed. Carried.

**Ombudsman
Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner
Vote 56**

Chair Goudy: — 10(c), vote 56, Ombudsman and Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner:

That funding be approved for vote 56, Ombudsman and Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner for the 2024-25 fiscal year as follows: budgetary to be voted, 243,000; and further,

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

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

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**Conflict of Interest Commissioner
Vote 57**

Chair Goudy: — And 10(d), vote 57, Conflict of Interest Commissioner.

That funding be approved for vote 57, 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.

Can I get a mover? Mr. McLeod. And is seconded by Ms. Sarauer. And all in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — Carried.

**Advocate for Children and Youth
Vote 76**

Chair Goudy: — 10(e), vote 76, Advocate for Children and Youth.

That funding be approved for vote 76, 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.

Can I get a mover?

Hon. Lori Carr: — I'll move.

Chair Goudy: — Minister Carr. And a seconder? Ms. Sarauer. All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — Carried.

We'll move to item 11. Discussion on item 11 at all? Officers of the Assembly terms. Would it be the will of the board to move into camera to discuss?

[11:45]

Hon. Tim McLeod: — Yes, I would so move, Mr. Speaker.

Chair Goudy: — Can I please have a motion? It's been moved by Minister McLeod. The board moves into camera at 11:45.

[The board continued in camera from 11:45 until 11:47.]

Chair Goudy: — The board now comes out of camera at 11:47. I would like to read the following motion for item no. 11:

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

That the competition be conducted as follows:

1. That a budget of 25,000 be authorized;
2. That a subcommittee of the Board of Internal Economy 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 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.

Can I have a mover?

Hon. Tim McLeod: — I'll so move.

Chair Goudy: — Minister McLeod. And a seconder? Minister Carr. And all in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — Carried. Item 12. Any discussions on the decision item? Directive #21, annual indemnity and Legislative Secretary and allowances amendment. Any discussion?

I'd like to read the motion:

That directive #21, annual indemnity and allowance clause 6(a) be amended by inserting "up to" after Legislative Secretary; and further

That this amendment is effective immediately.

Can I get someone to move that? Ms. Carr. And seconder? Ms. Sarauer. All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — Carried. Is there any other business at this time? If no other business, could I have a motion to adjourn? The board now adjourns at 11:50 to the call of the Chair.

[The board adjourned at 11:50.]