

**MINUTES OF MEETING #2/20
BOARD OF INTERNAL ECONOMY**

February 4, 2020 – 9:00 a.m.

Room 8, Legislative Building

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

Hon. Mark Docherty Speaker, Chair
Hon. Jeremy Harrison
Randy Weekes
Everett Hindley
Cathy Sproule
Carla Beck

Absent: Hon. Paul Merriman

Staff

Ms. Sheila Sterling – Secretary to the Board

Officials in Attendance

Legislative Assembly Service

Gregory Putz, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
Kenneth Ring, Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel
Iris Lang, Principal Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
Dawn Court, Executive Director of Member & Corporate Services
Mike Halayka, Director of Member Services
Cindy Hingley, Director of Financial Services

Meeting called to order at 8:58 a.m.

AGENDA Moved by Ms. Beck and seconded by Mr. Weekes, that the proposed Agenda for meeting 2/20 be adopted as presented.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

Minute # 2201

MINUTES Moved by Mr. Hindley and seconded by Ms. Sproule, that the minutes from Meeting 1/20 be approved.

The question being, put, it was agreed to.

Minute # 2202

ITEM 1: **Table Item:** The Chair tabled the Legislative Assembly Service Third Quarter Financial Report for 2019-2020.

ITEM 2: **Discussion and Decision Item:** Motion to approve Budgetary and Statutory Expenditure Estimates and Revenue Estimates for the Legislative Assembly Service of Saskatchewan.

Moved by Mr. Harrison and seconded by Ms. Sproule,

That the 2020-2021 Expenditure Estimates for Vote 021- Legislative Assembly, be approved in the amount of \$29,512,000 as follows:

Budgetary to be voted:	\$10,182,000
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Statutory	\$19,330,000
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That the 2020-2021 Revenue Estimates for Vote 021 – Legislative Assembly be approved in the amount of dollars as follows:

Revenue to be voted:	\$10,000
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And further,

That such estimates be forwarded to the Minister of Finance by the Chair.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

Minute # 2203

ITEM 3: **Discussion and Decision Item:** Amendment to Directive 4.1, Constituency Service Expenses.

Moved by Mr. Weekes and seconded by Ms. Beck,

That Directive 4.1, clause 25 be repealed and replaced by the following clause:

For the duration of the 28th Legislature, the term amount specified in clause (4) shall be decreased to \$5000. This clause shall expire at the dissolution of the 28th Legislature.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

Minute # 2204

ITEM 4: Discussion and Decision Item: Repeal Directive 20.2, Conflict of Interest Commissioner, and Directive 30, Salary of the Lobbyist Registrar, and Replace with Directive 32, Conflict of Interest Commissioner & Lobbyist Registrar.

Moved by Mr. Hindley and seconded by Ms. Sproule,

That Directive 20.2, Conflict of Interest Commissioner, and Directive 30, salary of the Lobbyist Registrar be repealed and replaced by Directive 32, Conflict of Interest Commissioner and Lobbyist Registrar as follows:

Directive 32 – Conflict of Interest Commissioner & Lobbyist Registrar

Authority

- (1) Section 22 of *The Members' Conflict of Interest Act* authorizes the Conflict of Interest Commissioner to be paid a salary to be fixed by the Board of Internal Economy; and an allowance for travelling and other expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of the commissioner at a rate approved by the Board on Internal Economy.
- (2) Section 2(q) of *The Lobbyist Act* provides that: “**registrar**” means of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner appointed pursuant to *The Members' Conflict of Interest Act*.

Salary, Allowances and Expenses

- (3) On and from May 1, 2020, the Conflict of Interest Commissioner & Lobbyist Registrar shall be paid a salary equal to the average salary of all Deputy Ministers and Acting Deputy Ministers of the Government calculated as at April 1 in each year.
- (4) Any benefits or payments that may be characterized as deferred income, retirement allowances, separation allowances, severance allowances or payments in lieu of notice are not be included in calculating the average salary of all the Deputy Ministers and Acting Deputy Ministers pursuant to clause (2).
- (5) If, as a result of a calculation made pursuant to clause (2), the salary of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner & Lobbyist Registrar would be less than the Conflict on Interest Commissioner & Lobbyist Registrars previous salary, the Conflict of Interest Commissioner & Lobbyist Registrar is to be paid not less than their previous salary.
- (6) The conflict of Interest Commissioner & Lobbyist Registrar is entitled to receive any economic adjustments that are provided generally to Deputy Ministers.
- (7) The Conflict of Interest Commissioner & Lobbyist Registrar is entitled to be paid an allowance for travel and other expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner & Lobbyist Registrar at the rate pursuant to *The Public Service Regulations, 1999*, for employees of the public service.

And,

That this amendment is effective May 1, 2020.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

Minute # 2205

Moved by Mr. Weeks and seconded by Ms. Beck that the Board adjourn to the call of the Chair.

The Board adjourned at 9:08