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[The committee met at 08:15.]

Chair Goudy: — Well welcome, everyone, to the first meeting of the Standing Committee on House Services for the thirteenth legislature . . . oh, thirtieth. New glasses, time for, eh? My name is Todd Goudy and I'm the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly and Chair of this committee. And as you can see from the agenda we have several items of business to attend to today.

First I'd like to announce the members of the Standing Committee on House Services pursuant to rule 139(1). The government caucus has designated the Hon. Lori Carr, the Hon. Tim McLeod, Kevin Weedmark, and Sean Wilson; and the opposition caucus has designated Bhajan Brar, Nicole Sarauer, and Brittney Senger as members of the Standing Committee on House Services.

Our first item of business will be the election of Deputy Chair. I just want to remind members of the process. I will first ask for nominations. Once there are no further nominations, I will then ask a member to move a motion to have the committee member preside as Deputy Chair.

So I will now call for the nominations for the positions of Deputy Chair. I recognize MLA [Member of the Legislative Assembly] Mowat

Vicki Mowat: — I nominate Nicole Sarauer for the position of Deputy Chair.

Chair Goudy: — Okay. Nominations? We're all getting along. That's great, eh? So MLA Mowat has nominated Nicole Sarauer to the position of Deputy Chair. Are there any further nominations? Seeing none, I would now invite one of the members to move that motion. I recognize . . .

Vicki Mowat: — I move:

That Nicole Sarauer be elected to preside as Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on House Services.

Chair Goudy: — It's been moved by MLA Mowat:

That Nicole Sarauer be elected to preside as Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on House Services.

Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

Chair Goudy: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — All those opposed? I declare the motion carried.

Okay. At the beginning of every legislature, a steering committee is appointed to establish an agenda and priority of business for subsequent meetings. I will now ask for the motion for the establishment of a steering committee. I recognize Minister McLeod.

Hon. Tim McLeod: — Thank you, Mr. Chair. I move:

That a steering committee be appointed to establish an agenda and priority of business for subsequent meetings and that the membership be comprised of the Speaker, the Government House Leader, and the Opposition House Leader; and further,

That the steering committee shall meet from time to time as directed by the committee or at the call of the Chair; that the presence of a majority of the members of the steering committee is necessary to constitute a meeting; and that substitutions from the membership of the Standing Committee on House Services be permitted on the steering committee.

Chair Goudy: — All right. Minister McLeod has moved:

That a steering committee be appointed to establish an agenda and priority of business for subsequent meetings and that the membership be comprised of the Speaker, the Government House Leader, and the Opposition House Leader; and further,

That the steering committee shall meet from time to time as directed by the committee or at the call of the Chair; that the presence of a majority of the members of the steering committee is necessary to constitute a meeting; and that substitutions from the membership of the Standing Committee on House Services be permitted on the steering committee.

Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

Chair Goudy: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — All opposed? I declare the motion carried.

Next on the agenda is consideration of the memberships of the standing committees. I would like to table two documents.

For the next item of business, the committee will consider the composition of the standing committees pursuant to rule 122(1). And I recognize Minister McLeod.

Hon. Tim McLeod: — Thank you, Mr. Chair. I move:

That the standing committees' member ratio shall be four government members and three opposition members, except for the Standing Committee on Privileges which shall be three government members and three opposition members.

Chair Goudy: — Minister McLeod has moved:

That the standing committees' member ratio shall be four government members and three opposition members, except for the Standing Committee on Privileges which shall be three government members and three opposition members.

Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

Chair Goudy: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — All opposed? I declare the motion carried.

Next on the agenda is consideration of the memberships of the standing committees. I would like to table two documents: HOS 1-30, opposition caucus: Opposition caucus standing committee membership; HOS 2-30, government caucus: Government caucus standing committee membership.

I would ask a member to move the motion in regard to the list of the members to serve on standing committees. I recognize Minister McLeod.

Hon. Tim McLeod: — I move:

That the lists of members to serve on standing committees as tabled by the government and opposition caucuses be adopted and reported to the Assembly.

Chair Goudy: — Minister McLeod has moved:

That the lists of members to serve on standing committees as tabled by the government and opposition caucuses be adopted and reported to the Assembly.

Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

Chair Goudy: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — All opposed? I declare the motion carried.

We will now consider the allocation schedule. Pursuant to rule 139(3), our committee determines the allocation of government ministries, agencies, and Crown corporations to the various committees. Members have access to the draft of the allocation schedule which has been posted on the MLA portal. I would ask a member to move the following motion:

That the allocation schedule be adopted pursuant to rule 139(3) of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*.

I recognize Minister McLeod.

Hon. Tim McLeod: — Mr. Speaker, I will move:

That the allocation schedule be adopted pursuant to rule 139(3) of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*.

Chair Goudy: — Minister McLeod has moved:

That the allocation schedule be adopted pursuant to rule 139(3) of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*.

Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

Chair Goudy: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — All opposed? I declare the motion carried.

Next on the agenda is the appointment of a subcommittee to make recommendations for the revision of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*. I recognize Minister McLeod.

Hon. Tim McLeod: — Mr. Chair, I move:

That a subcommittee of the Standing Committee on House Services consisting of the Speaker, the Government House Leader, and the Opposition House Leader be appointed to study and make recommendations on revisions to the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*.

Chair Goudy: — Minister McLeod has moved:

That a subcommittee of the Standing Committee on House Services consisting of the Speaker, the Government House Leader, and the Opposition House Leader be appointed to study and make recommendations on revisions to the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*.

Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

Chair Goudy: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — All opposed? I declare the motion carried.

Members, we will now consider the committee's first report. This report outlines the committee membership and decisions of the committee. A draft of the report is before you. Are there any questions in relation to this report?

All right. I would ask a member to move the following motion:

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

I recognize Minister McLeod.

Hon. Tim McLeod: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move:

That the first report of the Standing Committee on House

Services for the thirtieth legislature be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

Chair Goudy: — Minister McLeod has moved:

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Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

Chair Goudy: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — All opposed? I declare the motion carried.

That concludes our business for today. Thank you, committee members. I will now ask a member to move a motion for adjournment. Minister McLeod.

Hon. Tim McLeod: — I move that this . . .

Chair Goudy: — All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Chair Goudy: — Well that meeting is adjourned. Thank you, everyone.

[The committee adjourned at 08:27.]