

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
February 29, 2000

MINUTE NO. 1
9:00 a.m. — Room 10

1. **PRESENT:** Mr. Krawetz in the Chair and Members Gantefoer, Higgins, Jones, Kowalsky, Kwiatkowski, Stewart, Wakefield and Wartman.

Provincial Auditor's Office

Fred Wendel, Assistant Provincial Auditor
Judy Ferguson, Executive Director
Deann Dickin, Executive Assistant

Provincial Comptroller's Office

Terry Paton, Provincial Comptroller
Chris Bayda, Director, Financial Management Branch

2. The following document was laid before the Committee by the Committee Clerk:

PAC 1/24 Minister of Finance: Government Response to the Third Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the Twenty-third Legislature (*dated February 15, 2000, signed by Hon. Eric Cline, Minister of Finance, and Hon. John Nilson, Q.C., Minister Responsible for Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan*).

3. The Clerk to the Committee presided over the election of a Chair. Mr. Kowalsky nominated Mr. Krawetz for the position. There being no further nominations, it was moved by Mr. Gantefoer:

That nominations for the position of Chair close.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

It was moved by Mr. Kowalsky:

That Mr. Ken Krawetz be elected to preside as Chair of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to and Mr. Krawetz took the Chair.

4. The Chair of the Committee presided over the election of a Vice-Chair. Mr. Gantefoer nominated Mr. Kowalsky for the position. There being no further nominations, it was moved by Ms. Higgins:

That nominations for the position of Vice-Chair close.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

It was moved by Mr. Gantefer:

That Mr. Myron Kowalsky be elected to preside as Vice-Chair of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

5. The Committee agreed to proceed with the agenda for its orientation seminar.
6. The Committee Clerk made a presentation on the Committee's Mandate and Operating Procedures.
7. Michele Howland, Members' Service Librarian, of the Saskatchewan Legislative Library, presented an Outline of Legislative Library Resources and Services available to Committee Members.
8. The committee recessed from 10:05 a.m. until 10:15 a.m.
9. The Provincial Comptroller and Mr. Bayda made a presentation on the duties and responsibilities of the Office of the Provincial Comptroller.
10. The Assistant Provincial Auditor and Ms. Ferguson made a presentation on the duties and responsibilities of the Office of the Provincial Auditor.
11. The Committee considered a date for its next meeting. It was agreed, pursuant to the practice of previous Standing Committees on Public Accounts, that the Chair and Vice-Chair be authorized to decide dates and the business agenda for subsequent meetings.
12. It was moved by Mr. Kwiatkowski:

That this Committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

13. The Committee adjourned at 11:34 a.m. to the call of the Chair.

Gregory A. Putz
Committee Clerk

Ken Krawetz
Committee Chair