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[The committee met at 09:01.]

The Chair: — Good morning. Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. Thank you for coming so early in the morning. And I'm going to get started, so I will introduce the committee members and I'll announce any substitutions. Greg, on my right, in the government, is Greg Brkich; Denis Allchurch is substituting for Joceline Schriemer; and Mr. Glen Hart, Mr. Wayne Elhard, and Ms. Nancy Heppner. And on my left on the opposition side is Judy Junor and Mr. John Nilson. Thank you for attending.

So the first order of business is consideration of the report on the petitioner's compliance with the rules. And the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel, Ken Ring, will provide his report, if you may, please.

Mr. Ring: — Thank you, Madam Chair. Good morning, committee members. Merry Christmas, given the weather outside.

In accordance with the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly*, the following petition for a private Bill has been examined: petition for Bill No. 906, the Bethany College in the province of Saskatchewan, praying for an Act to amend *The Bethany College Incorporation Act, 1993*.*

Rule 91, filing deadlines, has been fully complied with. Rule 92, payment of filing fees, the rule has been fully complied with. Rule 95, publication of a notice for petition of private Bill, the rule has been fully complied with. The notice was published in *The Saskatchewan Gazette* on February the 11th and February the 18th of 2011. It was also published in four consecutive issues of *The StarPhoenix*: February 14th, 15th, 16th, and 17th, 2011. Thank you very much.

The Chair: — Thank you, Mr. Ring. Are there any questions from the committee members? No? Seeing none, if there are no questions, no questions for Mr. Ring, I will ask a member to move the following motion:

That the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel's report on the petition's compliance with the rules for petition for private Bill No. 906 be accepted.

Mr. Elhard: — So moved.

The Chair: — Mr. Wayne Elhard. Member, Mr. Wayne Elhard, has moved:

That the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel's report on the petitioner's compliance with the rules for petition for private Bill No. 906 be accepted.

Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. Now the next item of business is consideration of the committee report. You should have a copy of the draft report in front of you. Is there any discussion on it? No? No discussion? Take time to read it.

Mr. Brkich: — Just on that question, I think you checked on the tax implications and all that, Ken, that this is . . . everything's up? Because I think this Bill was to change a little bit on their . . . because there was a mistake that they got a tax notice.

Mr. Ring: — To respond to Mr. Brkich's question, I'm not aware of the details of why the Bill is being brought forward. That would be a topic for discussion when the Bill is presented after the report. It is my understanding though, that the college has never paid taxes, and they just want to make sure that they won't be paying the taxes. But that's a topic to be examined by the committee when the Bill comes forward.

Mr. Brkich: — Okay. Thank you.

Mr. Ring: — Thanks.

The Chair: — No more discussion on the report. I'll ask a member to move the following . . . Oh, Mr. Glen Hart.

Mr. Hart: — I'll move whatever is necessary.

The Chair: — You're going to move the following motion:

That the 10th report of the Standing Committee on Private Bills be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

Mr. Hart: — Yes, I so move.

The Chair: — Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. Thank you, ladies and gentlemen. Since our business is concluded for today's meeting, I'll ask a member to move a motion for adjournment.

Mr. Brkich: — I so move.

The Chair: — Mr. Greg Brkich. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. The meeting is adjourned. Thank you for coming, ladies and gentlemen.

[The committee adjourned at 09:07.]