



**House of Assembly
Newfoundland and Labrador**

**Minutes of the House of Assembly
Management Commission**

Date: May 13, 2015

Location: House of Assembly Chamber

Time: 5:15 p.m.

Members Present:

Mr. Wade Verge, MHA, Lewisporte, Speaker

Ms. Sandra Barnes, Clerk of the House of Assembly

Ms. Lorraine Michael, MHA (NDP) Signal Hill - Quidi Vidi

Hon. Keith Hutchings, MHA (PC) Ferryland

Hon. Darin King, Government House Leader

Mr. Andrew Parsons, MHA (L) Burgeo-LaPoile

Mr. Kevin Pollard, MHA (PC) Baie Verte - Springdale

Regrets:

Mr. Dwight Ball, MHA (L) Humber Valley

Other

Mr. Glen Littlejohn, MHA (PC), Port de Grave, Deputy Speaker

Ms. Marie Keefe, Policy & Communications Officer

CM 2015-018A The Commission, at an *in camera* meeting, approved the pre-commitment of funds up to \$185,400 for the 2016-2017 budget appropriations for the 54th Canadian Regional Conference of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA).

CM 2015-019 The Commission approved a guest program that is cost recoverable for the 54th Canadian Regional Conference of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA).

- CM 2015-020** The Commission, at an *in camera* meeting, approved the pre-commitment of funds up to \$49,700 for the 2016-2017 budget appropriations for the 2016 Hansard Association of Canada Annual Conference.
- CM 2015-021** The Commission approved a guest program that is cost recoverable for the 2016 Hansard Association of Canada Annual Conference.
- CM 2015-022** The Minutes of the House of Assembly Management Commission meeting held on February 24, 2015 were approved as read.
- CM 2015-023** The Minutes of the House of Assembly Management Commission meeting held on March 5, 2015 were approved as read.

The Speaker reported the following Rulings on Allowance Use to the Commission for the period ended May 6, 2015. These expenditures are permitted and are in compliance with all other provisions of the *Members' Resources and Allowances Rules* (the Rules) but were rejected for payment as they were not submitted within 60-days of being made. The following rulings were reported:

- The amount of \$436.14 for the Member for the District of St. John's South;
- The amount of \$259.00 for the Member for the District of Terra Nova;
- The amounts of \$166.68 and \$237.59 for the Member for the District of Virginia Waters; The amount of \$169.50 for the Member for the District of Conception Bay East - Bell Island; and,
- The amounts of \$1972.11 and \$46.64 for the Member for the District of Lake Melville.

The Clerk reported the following authorizations given for furniture and equipment expenditures for the period ending May 6, 2015:

- The amount of \$464.96 was approved for a filing cabinet for the constituency office of Ms. Susan Sullivan, Member for the District of Grand Falls-Windsor - Buchans.

- The amount of \$419.00 was approved for a table for the constituency office of Mr. Rex Hillier, Conception Bay South.
- The amount of \$268.95 was approved for a folding table; metal shelving unit; and surge protectors for the constituency office of Mr. Rex Hillier, Conception Bay South.

CM 2015-024 The Commission ratified the approval of the following transfer of funds:

Budget Transfer No. HOABT2015-0040 to transfer funds to Office of the Chief Electoral Officer – Grants and Subsidies to provide funds to process By-Election subsidy payments related to 2014/15 fiscal year.

A report of all Budget transfers processed during fiscal year 2014-15 was provided to the Commission for information purposes. No decision was required.

Adjournment: 5:58 p.m.

Wade Verge, MHA
Speaker and Chair



Sandra Barnes
Clerk and Secretary to the Commission