

**MINUTES**  
**Social Services Committee**  
**Meeting #3 – June 3, 2021**

1. Pursuant to motion, and in accordance with Standing Order 72, the Committee met at 6:04 p.m. in the Assembly Chamber.
2. Present from the Committee were:  
  
Sherry Gambin-Walsh, Placentia - St. Mary's, Chair  
Barry Petten, Conception Bay South substituting for Joedy Wall, Cape St. Francis  
Hon. Gerry Byrne, Corner Brook substituting for Paul Pike, Burin - Grand Bank  
Hon. Derrick Bragg, Fogo Island - Cape Freels substituting for Lucy Stoyles, Mount Pearl North  
Scott Reid, St. George's - Humber  
Jim Dinn, St. John's Centre  
  
Also present:  
Perry Trimper, Lake Melville  
Scott Fleming, Researcher, Third Party Caucus  
Darrell Hynes, Director of Legislation and Policy Affairs, Official Opposition Office
3. Appearing from the **Department of Education** were:  
  
Hon. Tom Osborne, Waterford Valley  
Eldred Barnes, Associate Deputy Minister  
Brad Clarke, Director, Programs and Services  
Candice Ennis-Williams, Assistant Deputy Minister, Post Secondary Education  
Rob Feaver, Director, Student Financial Services  
Mary Goss-Prowse, Director, Early Learning and Child Development  
Robyn Hayes, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services  
Greg O'Leary, Deputy Minister  
Tracy Stamp, Departmental Controller
4. On motion of MHA Petten, the Minutes of the meeting of June 2, 2021 (Department of Children, Seniors and Social Development and Newfoundland and Labrador Housing Corporation) were adopted as circulated.
5. The Committee agreed to allow independent MHAs to participate in the proceedings in the following manner: question time would alternate between the Official Opposition and the New Democratic Party for two turns each and then an independent MHA would be allowed to have a 10 minute turn. In total, 20 minutes was allocated to questions from independent Members.

7. The Committee reviewed and passed without amendment the Estimates of the Department of Education.
8. On motion of MHA Petten the Committee adjourned at 9:11 p.m. to Monday, June 7, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. (Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs).

**Kimberley Hammond**  
Acting Clerk