

Thursday, April 18th, 2013

The House met at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Member for Conception Bay East – Bell Island (Mr. Brazil) made a Statement to recognize Ryann Fradsham, a Grade 1 pupil who raised \$7,000 during the Shave for The Brave Cancer Fundraiser.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to recognize Ian Locke who was awarded the Thompson Trophy for “best actor in any role under the age of 21” at the Provincial Drama Festival.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to congratulate Ms. Laura Francis and Ms. Krystal Hobbs who competed in “Canada’s Next Top Ad Exec” competition and were granted internships with General Motors as a result of their presentation.

The Member for Mount Pearl North (Mr. Kent) made a Statement to congratulate Raeleen (Dunne) Baggs who has been inducted into the Newfoundland and Labrador Sports Hall of Fame.

The Member for St. John’s North (Mr. Kirby) made a Statement to congratulate Jane Morgan who was given the Gordon S. Shipp Award in recognition of her service to the Canadian Homebuilders Association Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Member for Mount Pearl South (Mr. Lane) made a Statement to commend the City of Mount Pearl for their initiative in web casting Public Council Meetings.

The Honourable the Minister of Child, Youth and Family Services (Ms. Shea) (Acting) made a Statement to congratulate Ms. Tiffany Thistle-Samson who was awarded a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

The Honourable the Minister Responsible for the Office of Public Engagement (Mr. Hutchings) made a Statement to recognize the week of April 21-27 as National Volunteer Week.

The Member for St. Barbe (Mr. Bennett) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to partner with the private sector to provide High Speed internet services to Bird Cove.

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Mitchelmore) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to ensure that the Western School District is provided with sufficient funding to keep Bayview Regional Collegiate at St. Lunaire-Griquet open.

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The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reverse the damaging decision to students and reinstate the Adult Basic Education programming at the College of the North Atlantic.

The Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to repeal Bill 29.

The Member for St. John's North (Mr. Kirby) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reverse the decision to cut funding to EAS agencies in the Province.

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Mitchelmore) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to commit bridge funding in its 2013 Budget to help preserve the RED Boards in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Pursuant to notice and on motion debate commenced and concluded on the following Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King):

“WHEREAS subsection 20(7) of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act* provides that a change to the level of amounts of allowances and resources provided to members not be made except in accordance with a rule that has been first laid before the House of Assembly and adopted by resolution of this House;

AND WHEREAS amendments to the Members' Resources and Allowances Rules which, in part, would change the level of amounts of allowances and resources, have been laid before this House by the Speaker;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House of Assembly adopt the amendments to the Members' Resources and Allowances Rules as tabled by the Speaker of this House on March 27, 2013.”

The Speaker put the question on the motion and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the amendment to the Budget motion (being a non-confidence motion).

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During the debate the Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) moved, seconded by the Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce), the following sub-amendment to the Budget motion:

“That the amendment be amended by changing the period at the end of thereof to a comma, and by adding immediately thereafter the following words:

“and that this House also condemns the Government for its failure to present a budget that reflects the possibilities which exist in terms of addressing the needs of the people of this Province.”

The Speaker (Mr. Verge) suspended the proceedings at 4:37 o'clock in the afternoon to consider the sub-amendment.

The Speaker (Mr. Verge) resumed the Chair at 4:42 o'clock in the afternoon and ruled the sub-amendment in order.

Debate continued on the sub-amendment to the Budget motion and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 23rd at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.