

House of Assembly Newfoundland and Labrador

Minutes of the House of Assembly Management Commission

Date: May 16, 2018

Location: House of Assembly Chamber

Time: 5:30 pm

Members Present:

Hon. Perry Trimper, Speaker (Chair)

Mr. Mark Browne, MHA (Lib) Placentia West - Bellevue

Hon. Siobhan Coady, MHA (Lib), St. John's West

Mr. Paul Davis, MHA (PC) Topsail-Paradise

Mr. Keith Hutchings, Opposition House Leader

Ms. Lorraine Michael, MHA (NDP), St. John's East-Quidi Vidi

Hon. Andrew Parsons, Government House Leader

Ms. Sandra Barnes, Clerk of the House of Assembly

Other

Mr. Brian Warr, Deputy Speaker

Ms. Bobbi Russell, Policy & Communications Officer

Ms. Kim Hawley George, Law Clerk

Mr. Bruce Chaulk, Commissioner for Legislative Standards

CM 2018-022

The Minutes of the Management Commission meeting held on April 18, 2018 were approved as read.

CM 2018-023

Pursuant to Section 64 of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, the Commission approved the proposed amendments to Section 46 of the *Members' Resources and Allowances Rules* prohibiting the reimbursement of cannabis, subject to final wording by the Office of the Legislative Counsel. The Commission directed that the timing of publication be coordinated with the coming into force of anticipated statutory changes required to effect legalization.

CM 2018-024

The Commission deferred a decision with respect to access to the Leader's Travel fund of \$42,100 under the Official Opposition Caucus for members of the caucus and staff, as delegated by the member designated as Leader of the Official Opposition Caucus for administrative purposes.

CM 2018-025

The Commission deferred a decision as to whether application of the Executive branch Harassment-Free Workplace Policy (effective June 1), with adjustments as outlined, is required in the interim in situations involving Members of the House of Assembly (in addition to the Code of Conduct).

CM 2018-026

The Commission directed the Law Clerk to draft amendments to Section 22 of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act* that would make attendance at training mandatory for Members of the House of Assembly, with the draft amendments to be brought forward at a future meeting for approval.

Adjournment: 7:35 pm

Hon. Perry Trimper, MHA

Speaker (Chair)

Sandra Barnes

Clerk and Secretary to the Commission