

## HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

### MINUTES

A meeting of the House of Assembly Management Commission was held in the Committee Room, One Government Place, on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at 5:04 p.m.

Present were: Chair, Hon. Kevin Murphy, Mr Gordon Wilson, Hon. Geoff MacLellan, Mr Chuck Porter, Hon. Labi Kousoulis, Mr Tim Halman, Hon. Chris d'Entremont, Hon. David Wilson and Mr Neil Ferguson, Chief Clerk.

Also present were Gordon D. Hebb, Q.C., Chief Legislative Counsel, Deborah Lusby, Director of Administration, Office of the Speaker and Annette M. Boucher, Q.C., Assistant Clerk.

#### **1) Minutes of the December 12, 2017 meeting**

It was moved by Mr Chuck Porter and seconded by Mr Tim Halman that the minutes of the December 12, 2017 meeting be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

#### **2) Appointment of the Auditor General as auditor for 2017-18**

Mr Ferguson informed the Commission members that the Audit Committee recommended that the Commission appoint the Auditor General as the auditor for the 2017-18 audit of the House of Assembly.

It was moved by Hon. Labi Kousoulis and seconded by Hon. Chris d'Entremont that the office of the Auditor General be appointed as auditors pursuant to subsection 22(2) of the *House of Assembly Management Commission Act* for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2018.

**CARRIED**

#### **3) House of Assembly Management Commission 2017 Annual Report**

The 2017 draft report was circulated to Commission members in advance of the meeting.

It was moved by Hon. Geoff MacLellan and seconded by Hon. David Wilson that the 2017 Annual Report of the House of Assembly Management Commission be approved as circulated and be tabled in the House of Assembly by the Speaker.

**CARRIED**

#### **4) House of Assembly Management Commission Audit Committee 2017 Annual Report**

The report was circulated to the members of the Commission in advance of the meeting and was updated since that time to include a summary of the January 17, 2017 Audit Committee meeting that had been inadvertently omitted.

It was moved by Hon. Chris d'Entremont and seconded by Hon. Labi Kousoulis that the 2017 Audit Committee Annual Report be accepted by the Commission.

**CARRIED**

#### **5) 2017-18 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Financials**

Ms Lusby indicated the this 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter report reflects forecast adjustments as the budget was approved by the House of Assembly in September 2017. She also pointed out that the PC Caucus and NDP Caucus amounts changed based on the 2017 election results and the change in the number of MLAs.

It was moved by Mr Gordon Wilson and seconded by Mr Tim Halman that the report as presented be accepted.

**CARRIED**

#### **6) Other**

Hon. David Wilson requested that the issue of maternity leave for elected officials be discussed at a future meeting. Ms Lusby will conduct a jurisdictional scan on what the policy is in other provinces. It was suggested that background information also be collected on paternity leave for elected officials. The Chair suggested that this item be placed on the next meeting agenda for an update and discussions.

#### **7) Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Management Commission on June 12, 2018.

#### **Certified**

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Speaker

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Chief Clerk