

## - M I N U T E S -

A meeting of the Parliamentary Committee of Public Accounts was held in the Committee Room, Level 6 of the Parliamentary Annexe, on Wednesday, 3 May 1989 at 9.40 a.m.

Members Present Mr G. Alison - Chairman, Messrs Booth, Campbell, Fraser, Hayward, Stephan and White.

In attendance - Secretary, Mr D.W. Bletchly and Research Officer, Mr K. Lambkin.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Minutes of the meeting of 20 April 1989 were circulated and confirmed (Moved Mr Campbell, seconded Mr Stephan) subject to the inclusion of an apology for non-attendance by Mr Fraser.

Meeting with Professional Officers Association and State Service Union Present - Ms R. Kinder, Mr B. Higham - Professional Officers Association; Ms J. Walker, Mr L. Gillespie, Mr B. Dittmar - State Service Union.

Major concerns raised by Unions -

- . Conflict with Code of Conduct
- . Long term reprisals against staff
- . Officers who volunteer information.

Following discussions undertaking given that -

- . Unions would place concerns in writing before the Committee *regarding alleged treatment of Mr Dan Daly*
- . Upon receipt of this correspondence the Committee would write to the Premier in accordance with his undertaking about the treatment of Mr Dan Daly
- . Committee would also seek clarification from the Premier whether it is considered an authorised body in terms of the Public Service Code of Conduct
- . Chairman's assurance given regarding confidentiality and anonymity of persons providing information.

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Additional  
Office Equipment/  
Expenditure  
Guidelines

Moved (Mr Campbell, seconded Mr Booth) that -

- . the purchase of the following additional office equipment be endorsed -
  - . one Toshiba Laptop (portable computer)  
40mb disc drive \$6,300
  - . one disc drive for the existing NEC  
computer to allow compatibility \$ 338
  - . software (Wordperfect, Quattro,  
Communications package) \$1,229
  - . two modems (no price at this stage).

Moved (Mr Hayward, seconded Mr Fraser) that -

- . the Secretary be authorised to purchase all items up to the value of \$1,000.

Institute of  
Chartered  
Accountants  
Seminar "Public  
Sector Audit  
Reform"

Moved (Mr Campbell, seconded Mr Booth) that Messrs Hayward, Fraser and Bletchly attend the Seminar on Thursday, 4 May 1989.

Air Travel

Agreed in view of costs to travel Economy Class to Sydney.

Lloyd Aviation/  
Harbours and  
Marine

Resolved (Moved Mr Fraser, seconded Mr Campbell) to conduct a Preliminary Review in terms of Section 13(1) of the Public Accounts Committee Act 1988 into "tendering and quotation procedures of the Department of Harbours and Marine".

Canadian Public  
Accounts  
Committees  
Conference

Agreed Secretary to obtain information for next meeting.

Meeting with  
Treasury  
Officials

Present - Messrs H. Smerdon, D. Ford, G. Bradley.

- . Issues discussed -

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- . Program Management
- . Format of future budgets
- . Format of financial reporting in Annual Reports
- . Suspense accounts operations.

The meeting concluded at 12.47 p.m.

Confirmed this ~~12th~~ day of May 1989.

  
Chairman