



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 16

FIRST SESSION, FORTIETH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker presented:

Certificate of Election respecting Ms. Sharon BLADY, the newly elected Member for Kirkfield Park.

(Sessional Paper No. 12)

Ms. Sharon BLADY, Member for the Electoral Division for Kirkfield Park, was conducted by Hon. Mr. SELINGER and Ms. BRAUN to the floor of the House in front of Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Mr. SELINGER then said:

Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present to you Ms. Sharon BLADY, Member for the Constituency of Kirkfield Park, who has taken the Oath and signed the Roll, and now claims the right to take her seat.

Mr. Speaker thereupon said:

On behalf of all Honourable Members, I wish to welcome you to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba and to wish you well in your parliamentary career.

Ms. BLADY then advanced to the Chair, shook hands with Mr. Speaker and took her seat.

Mr. Speaker presented:

Certificate of Election respecting Mr. Dave GAUDREAU, the newly elected Member for St. Norbert.

(Sessional Paper No. 13)

Mr. Dave GAUDREAU, Member for the Electoral Division for St. Norbert, was conducted by Hon. Mr. SELINGER and Ms. BRAUN to the floor of the House in front of Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Mr. SELINGER then said:

Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present to you Mr. Dave GAUDREAU, Member for the Constituency of St. Norbert, who has taken the Oath and signed the Roll, and now claims the right to take his seat.

Mr. Speaker thereupon said:

On behalf of all Honourable Members, I wish to welcome you to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba and to wish you well in your parliamentary career.

Mr. GAUDREAU then advanced to the Chair, shook hands with Mr. Speaker and took his seat.

The following petition was presented and read:

Mrs. ROWAT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Healthy Living, Youth and Seniors to consider implementing a universal hearing screening program accessible to parents of all newborns in Manitoba. (D. Drawbridge, O. Deneka, J. Wielgosh and others)

Mr. MAGUIRE, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented its First Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on the following occasions in the Legislative Building:

- November 23, 2010 (5th Session – 39th Legislature)
- December 16, 2011

Matters under Consideration

- Auditor General’s Report – Operations of the Office for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010
- Auditor General’s Report – Operations of the Office for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2011

Committee Membership

Committee Membership for the November 23, 2010 meeting:

- Mr. BOROTSIK
- Ms. BRAUN
- Mr. DERKACH (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. DEWAR (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mrs. DRIEDGER
- Hon. Mr. GERRARD
- Mr. JHA
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Ms. SELBY

- Mr. STEFANSON
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Committee Membership for the December 16, 2011 meeting:

- Mr. ALLUM
- Ms. BRAUN
- Mr. DEWAR
- Hon. Mr. GERRARD
- Mr. HELWER
- Mr. JHA
- Mr. MAGUIRE
- Mr. PEDERSEN
- Mrs. STEFANSON
- Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS
- Mr. WHITEHEAD

Your Committee elected Mr. MAGUIRE as the Chairperson at the December 16, 2011 meeting.

Your Committee elected Mr. DEWAR as the Vice-Chairperson at the December 16, 2011 meeting.

Officials Speaking on Record

Officials speaking on the record at the November 23, 2010 meeting:

- Carol Bellringer, Auditor General of Manitoba

Officials speaking on the record at the December 16, 2011 meeting:

- Carol Bellringer, Auditor General of Manitoba

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following reports as presented:

- Auditor General's Report – Operations of the Office for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010
- Auditor General's Report – Operations of the Office for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2011

On motion of Mr. MAGUIRE, the Report of the Committee was received.

Mr. MAGUIRE, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented its Second Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on the following occasions in the Legislative Building:

- May 25, 2011 (5th Session – 39th Legislature)
- February 15, 2012

Matters under Consideration

- Auditor General's Report – Audit of the Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010
- Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (Volume 1)
- Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (Volume 2)
- Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (Volume 3)
- Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (Volume 4)

Committee Membership

Committee Membership for the May 25, 2011 meeting:

- Mr. BOROTSIK
- Ms. BRAUN
- Mr. DERKACH (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. DEWAR (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. DYCK
- Hon. Mr. GERRARD
- Mr. JHA
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mrs. STEFANSON
- Mr. WHITEHEAD
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Substitutions made during committee proceedings:

- Ms. BRICK for Mr. WHITEHEAD

Committee Membership for the February 15, 2012 meeting:

- Mr. ALLUM
- Ms. BRAUN
- Mr. DEWAR (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Hon. Mr. GERRARD
- Mr. HELWER
- Mr. JHA
- Mr. MAGUIRE (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. PEDERSEN
- Mrs. STEFANSON
- Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS
- Mr. WIEBE

Substitution made prior to committee proceedings:

- Mr. WIEBE for Mr. WHITEHEAD

Officials Speaking on Record

Officials speaking on the record at the May 25, 2011 meeting:

- Carol Bellringer, Auditor General of Manitoba
- Mr. Hugh Eliasson, Deputy Minister of Finance

Officials speaking on the record at the February 15, 2012 meeting:

- Carol Bellringer, Auditor General of Manitoba
- Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS
- Mr. John Clarkson, Deputy Minister of Finance

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following reports as presented:

- Auditor General's Report – Audit of the Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010
- Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (Volume 1)
- Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (Volume 2)
- Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (Volume 3)
- Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (Volume 4)

On motion of Mr. MAGUIRE, the Report of the Committee was received.

Mr. MAGUIRE, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented its Third Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on the following occasions in the Legislative Building:

- March 8, 2012
- March 21, 2012

Matters under Consideration

- Auditor General's Report – Manitoba's Participation in Canada's Economic Action Plan – dated May 2011
- Auditor General's Report – Follow-Up of Previously Issued Recommendations – dated March 2011 (Sections 6 to 10, 14, 15 and 18)

Committee Membership

Committee Membership for the March 8, 2012 meeting:

- Mr. ALLUM
- Ms. BRAUN
- Mr. DEWAR (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. FRIESEN
- Mr. GAUDREAU
- Hon. Mr. GERRARD
- Mr. MAGUIRE (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. PEDERSEN
- Mrs. STEFANSON

- Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS
- Mr. WIEBE

Substitutions made prior to committee proceedings:

- Mr. FRIESEN for Mr. HELWER
- Mr. GAUDREAU for Mr. JHA
- Mr. WIEBE for Mr. WHITEHEAD

Committee Membership for the March 21, 2012 meeting:

- Mr. ALLUM
- Ms. BRAUN
- Mr. DEWAR (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. FRIESEN
- Hon. Mr. GERRARD
- Mr. HELWER
- Mr. JHA
- Mr. MAGUIRE (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. PEDERSEN
- Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS
- Mr. WHITEHEAD

Substitution made prior to committee proceedings:

- Mr. FRIESEN for Mrs. STEFANSON

Officials Speaking on Record

Officials speaking on the record at the March 8, 2012 meeting:

- Norm Ricard, Deputy Auditor General of Manitoba
- Ms. Linda McFadyen, Deputy Minister of Local Government

Officials speaking on the record at the March 21, 2012 meeting:

- Carole Bellringer, Auditor General of Manitoba
- Hon. Ms. SELBY
- Mr. Gerald Farthing, Deputy Minister of Advanced Education and Literacy
- Ms. Joy Cramer, Deputy Minister of Housing and Community Development
- Mr. Jeffrey Schnoor, Q.C., Deputy Minister of Justice and Attorney General

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following report as presented:

- Auditor General's Report – Manitoba's Participation in Canada's Economic Action Plan – dated May 2011

Reports Considered but not Passed:

Your Committee has considered the following report but did not pass it:

- Auditor General's Report – Follow-Up of Previously Issued Recommendations – dated March 2011 (Sections 6 to 10, 14 and 15 concluded consideration but not section 18)

On motion of Mr. MAGUIRE, the Report of the Committee was received.

Mr. JHA, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations, presented its First Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on the following occasions in the Legislative Building:

- June 1, 2009 (3rd Session – 39th Legislature)
- November 17, 2009 (3rd Session – 39th Legislature)
- March 8, 2010 (4th Session – 39th Legislature)
- October 25, 2010 (4th Session – 39th Legislature)
- May 30, 2011 (5th Session – 39th Legislature)
- April 4, 2012

Matters under Consideration

- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2011

Committee Membership

Committee membership for the June 1, 2009 meeting:

- Hon. Mr. BLAIKIE
- Mr. BOROTSIK
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. JHA (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Ms. MARCELINO
- Mr. MCFADYEN
- Mr. REID (*Chairperson*)
- Hon. Mr. SELINGER
- Mrs. STEFANSON
- Mr. WHITEHEAD
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Committee membership for the November 17, 2009 meeting:

- Mr. BOROTSIK
- Ms. BRICK (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. DEWAR
- Mr. GRAYDON

- Mr. JHA
- Hon. Ms. MARCELINO
- Mr. MCFADYEN
- Mr. REID (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. SARAN
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Committee membership for the March 8, 2010 meeting:

- Mr. BOROTSIK
- Mr. CALDWELL
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. DEWAR
- Mr. GRAYDON
- Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS
- Mr. MCFADYEN
- Mr. REID (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. SARAN
- Mr. WHITEHEAD (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Committee membership for the October 25, 2010 meeting:

- Mr. BOROTSIK
- Ms. BRICK (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. DEWAR
- Hon. Ms. HOWARD
- Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS
- Mr. MCFADYEN
- Mr. PEDERSEN
- Mr. REID (*Chairperson*)
- Ms. SELBY
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Committee membership for the May 30, 2011 meeting:

- Mr. BOROTSIK
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. DEWAR (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Hon. Ms. HOWARD
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mr. MCFADYEN
- Mr. REID (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. PEDERSEN
- Hon. Mr. ROBINSON

- Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Committee membership for the April 4, 2012 meeting:

- Mr. ALLUM
- Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. DEWAR
- Mr. HELWER
- Mr. JHA
- Hon. Ms. MARCELINO
- Mr. MARCELINO
- Mrs. STEFANSON
- Ms. WIGHT (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. WISHART

Your Committee elected Mr. JHA as the Chairperson at the April 4, 2012 meeting.

Substitutions received during committee proceedings:

- Mr. McFadyen for Mrs. Stefanson

Officials from Manitoba Hydro speaking on the record at the June 1, 2009 meeting:

- Mr. Bob Brennan, President and Chief Executive Officer

Officials from Manitoba Hydro speaking on the record at the November 17, 2009 meeting:

- Mr. Bob Brennan, President and Chief Executive Officer
- Mr. Vic Schroeder, Chairman

Officials from Manitoba Hydro speaking on the record at the March 8, 2010 meeting:

- Mr. Bob Brennan, President and Chief Executive Officer
- Mr. Vic Schroeder, Chairman

Officials from Manitoba Hydro speaking on the record at the October 25, 2010 meeting:

- Mr. Bob Brennan, President and Chief Executive Officer
- Mr. Vic Schroeder, Chairman

Officials from Manitoba Hydro speaking on the record at the May 30, 2011 meeting:

- Mr. Bob Brennan, President and Chief Executive Officer
- Mr. Vic Schroeder, Chairman

Officials from Manitoba Hydro speaking on the record at the April 4, 2012 meeting:

- Mr. Scott Thomson, President and Chief Executive Officer
- Mr. Bill Fraser, Chairman

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following reports as presented:

- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008

Reports Considered but not Passed

Your Committee considered the following reports but did not pass them:

- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2011

On motion of Mr. JHA, the Report of the Committee was received.

Mr. JHA, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations, presented its Second Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on the following occasions in the Legislative Building:

- July 8, 2009 (3rd Session – 39th Legislature)
- June 6, 2011 (5th Session – 39th Legislature)
- April 11, 2012

Matters under Consideration

- Annual Report of The Workers Compensation Board for the year ending December 31, 2009
- Annual Report of The Workers Compensation Board for the year ending December 31, 2010
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ending December 31, 2009
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ending December 31, 2010
- Five Year Plan of The Workers Compensation Board for 2009 to 2013
- Five Year Plan of The Workers Compensation Board for 2010 to 2014
- Five Year Plan of The Workers Compensation Board for 2011 to 2015

Committee Membership

Committee Membership for the July 8, 2009 meeting:

- Hon. Ms. ALLAN
- Ms. BRICK (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. DEWAR
- Mr. FAURSCHOU

- Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mrs. MITCHELSON
- Mr. REID (*Chairperson*)
- Hon. Mr. RONDEAU
- Mrs. TAILLIEU

Committee Membership for the June 6, 2011 meeting:

- Mr. ALTEMEYER
- Ms. BRICK
- Mr. BRIESE
- Mr. DEWAR (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. GRAYDON
- Hon. Ms. HOWARD
- Hon. Ms. MARCELINO
- Mr. REID (*Chairperson*)
- Mrs. ROWAT
- Mrs. TAILLIEU
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Substitutions received during committee proceedings:

- Mr. CULLEN for Mr. GRAYDON
- Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS for Mr. ALTEMEYER

Committee Membership for the April 11, 2012 meeting:

- Ms. BLADY
- Mr. BRIESE
- Hon. Mr. CHIEF
- Mr. DEWAR
- Mr. GOERTZEN
- Hon. Ms. HOWARD
- Mr. JHA (*Chairperson*)
- Mrs. ROWAT
- Mr. SARAN
- Mr. SCHULER
- Ms. WIGHT (*Vice-Chairperson*)

Substitutions received during committee proceedings:

- Mr. EICHLER for Mrs. ROWAT

Officials Speaking on Record at the July 8, 2009 meeting:

- Doug Sexsmith, President & CEO

Officials Speaking on Record at the June 6, 2011 meeting:

- Michael Werier, Chairperson
- Doug Sexsmith, President and CEO

Officials Speaking on Record at the April 11, 2012 meeting:

- Michael Werier, Chairperson
- Winston Maharaj, President and CEO

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following reports as presented:

- Annual Report of The Workers Compensation Board for the year ending December 31, 2009
- Annual Report of The Workers Compensation Board for the year ending December 31, 2010
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ending December 31, 2009
- Five Year Plan of The Workers Compensation Board for 2009 to 2013
- Five Year Plan of The Workers Compensation Board for 2010 to 2014

Reports Considered but not Passed

Your Committee considered the following reports but did not pass them:

- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ending December 31, 2010
- Five Year Plan of The Workers Compensation Board for 2011 to 2015

On motion of Mr. JHA, the Report of the Committee was received.

Hon. Mr. SELINGER, the First Minister, made a statement to offer sincere congratulations to her Majesty the Queen on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee that recognizes her 60 years as Queen of Canada.

Mr. MCFADYEN and, by leave, Hon. Mr. GERRARD commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. BRIESE and WHITEHEAD, Mrs. TAILLIEU and Messrs. WIEBE and GRAYDON made Members' Statements.

Tuesday, April 17, 2012

Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS moved:

THAT this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the Government.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS having spoken.

The debate was, on motion of Mr. MCFADYEN, adjourned.

Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS delivered to Mr. Speaker two messages from Her Honour, the Acting Administrator of the Province of Manitoba as follows:

Barbara HAMILTON
Acting Administrator

The Lieutenant Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba, Estimates of sums required for the services of the Province for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March 2013 and recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly.

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA
April 17, 2012

(Sessional Paper No. 14)

Barbara HAMILTON
Acting Administrator

The Lieutenant Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba, Estimates of sums required for the services of the Province for Capital Expenditures, and recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly.

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA
April 17, 2012

(Sessional Paper No. 15)

Hon. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The House then adjourned at 3:32 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 18, 2012.

Hon. Daryl REID,
Speaker.