

STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MANAGEMENT

Chairperson: Hon. Colin LaVie, Speaker

Meeting Minutes – Meeting 2021-6

Date: Thursday, June 10, 2021 – 1:30 p.m.

Location: Legislative Chamber, Coles Building

Members Present:

Hon. Colin LaVie, Chair
Hal Perry, MLA
Michele Beaton, MLA
Peter Bevan-Baker, MLA
Sonny Gallant, MLA
Sidney MacEwen, MLA

Staff Present:

Joseph Jeffrey, Clerk

Minutes

1. The Speaker called the meeting to order at 1:33p.m.
2. The Agenda was adopted and the minutes from the previous meeting were approved (April 21, 2021)
3. The committee approved the following new hires for the Legislative Assembly:
 1. Samantha Lilley – Committee Clerk
 2. John-Ross Fitzpatrick – Broadcast and Creative Services Technician
4. The committee decided to start a recruitment effort to select an Ombudsperson. They directed to Clerk to facilitate the proclamation of the corresponding Act and draft a recruitment plan for the next meeting in September.
5. The Clerk submitted a Selection and Recruitment Policy for the committee's consideration at the next meeting.
6. The committee considered whether or not the Legislative Assembly should pay for the Internet Allowance for Ministers. In keeping with past practice, the committee decided that Executive Council should continue to reimburse ministers and directed the Clerk to communicate this decision to the Clerk of Executive Council and Minister Aylward.
7. Under new business, the Committee considered how cell phone expenses should be allocated. The Committee directed the Clerk to determine if the caucus funding formula is intended to cover cell phone expenses.
8. Under new business, the Committee directed the Clerk to forward documentation that would facilitate the planning and drafting of Private Members' Bills with the end goal of establishing an annual cycle and reduced the amount of drafting requests around sittings of the House.

9. Under new business, the Committee requested that the Information and Privacy Commissioner be invited to a future meeting to discuss resource requirements for her office.
10. Under new business, the Committee decided that one Thursday afternoon per month be set aside for this committee's regular meeting.
11. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.