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[Mr. Campbell in the chair]

The Chair: Let's call the meeting to order. Everybody has the meeting agenda and an applications binder, which were distributed last Friday. For the record I'd ask that we introduce ourselves before we get started with the agenda. I'll start to my right.

Mr. Mitzel: Len Mitzel, MLA, Cypress-Medicine Hat.

Mr. Lund: Ty Lund, MLA, Rocky Mountain House.

Mr. Elniski: Doug Elniski, MLA, Edmonton-Calder.

Ms Blakeman: I'll take this opportunity to leap in and welcome everyone to my fabulous constituency of Edmonton-Centre. A little on the misty side, a little Vancouver-like today, but I'm sure everyone is appreciative of the colder temperatures.

Mr. Webber: Len Webber, Calgary-Foothills.

Ms Stewart: Good morning. I'm Alayne Stewart, from executive search.

Mrs. Sawchuk: Karen Sawchuk, committee clerk.

The Chair: Robin Campbell, MLA for West Yellowhead and chair of the committee.

I'd like to have a member move a motion to adopt the agenda, please. Moved by Ty Lund from Rocky Mountain House. All in favour? Opposed? Carried.

So we have a review of the applications received, and we have to make a determination of the candidates for preliminary interviews. The applications binder includes a listing of all applicants as well as copies of the applications received and the application summaries completed by corporate human resources, whom we thank very much. We have quite a bit of ground to cover today. We also have Ms Alayne Stewart from corporate human resources to guide us through all this paper.

There are two things I'd like to talk about, both dealing with confidentiality. I think it's important that we emphasize the confidentiality of this material that we have before us today. I would ask the members to leave the binders behind with Karen when we leave, and then she'll have all the materials necessary for the follow-up meetings, interviews.

The other caution on confidentiality that I'd like to remind members of is to please be careful, if you are talking in coffee shops or in the hallways, that we don't talk about people's names. I guess that in the past that was a bit of an issue, where some people were just having a general conversation in a coffee shop and they dropped some names and were overheard by some of the general public. So I'd just ask that we be very careful and not be talking in public with our colleagues about people that apply for this job.

Once we've completed our review of the applications, the committee will decide on a short list of candidates for preliminary interviews. On that note I'd ask for a motion to move in camera so that we can start with our review. Moved by Len Webber. All in favour? Motion carried.

[The committee met in camera from 8:40 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.]

The Chair: Okay. We're back on the record. For further meeting dates it's been suggested that we meet on September 24 from 8:30 to 11 o'clock to go through the preliminary interviews, which Alayne will provide us. Our first interview day will be Wednesday, October 1, and we'll meet from 10 till 5 o'clock. Our second interview day will be October 10, and we'll meet from 8:30 till 3:30. We will meet on October 20 from 5:45 to 7:15 to go through a review of the candidates that we have interviewed. Everybody is happy with those dates? Okay.

Is there any other business or item we need to discuss before we bring the meeting to a close?

Seeing none, I'd ask for a motion to adjourn. Moved by Ty Lund. All in favour? Thank you very much. See you on the 24th.

[The committee adjourned at 10:46 a.m.]