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[Mr. Mitzel in the chair]

The Chair: Good morning, everyone. I'd like to call the meeting to order. Welcome, everyone, including the members who are joining us via teleconference. This is our Select Special Information and Privacy Commissioner Search Committee meeting. Ms Notley will be joining us shortly. I'd like to note that we'll be moving in camera as soon as we complete a few housekeeping items.

I'd ask everyone to introduce themselves for the record. My name is Len Mitzel. I'm the MLA for Cypress-Medicine Hat, and I'm the chair of this committee.

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

Mr. Marz: Richard Marz, MLA, Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills.

Mr. Lindsay: Fred Lindsay, MLA, Stony Plain.

Mr. Quest: David Quest, MLA, Strathcona.

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Mr. Reynolds: Rob Reynolds, Law Clerk.

Ms Sales: Tracey Sales, communications, Legislative Assembly Office.

Mr. Rogers: George Rogers, MLA, Leduc-Beaumont-Devon.

Mrs. Sawchuk: Karen Sawchuk, committee clerk.

The Chair: Ms Blakeman?

Ms Blakeman: Yes. Laurie Blakeman, fabulous constituency of Edmonton-Centre, which I'm still in. I'm just not there.

The Chair: Thank you very much. Ms Notley will be joining us shortly.

We've got a couple of housekeeping items. Everyone has had the agenda circulated prior. Would someone move the approval of the agenda? Moved by Mr. Rogers that the Select Special Information and Privacy Commissioner Search Committee approve the agenda for the November 28, 2011, meeting as distributed. Any questions? If not, all in favour? Opposed? That is carried.

As well, the minutes of the previous meeting were circulated. That was the November 16 meeting. Are there any errors or omissions to note? Seeing none, could someone please move a motion to approve? Moved by Mr. Lindsay that the minutes of the November 16, 2011, meeting of the Select Special Information and Privacy Commissioner Search Committee be approved as distributed. All in favour? Opposed? That is carried.

This takes us to the draft search committee final report and the recommendation of a candidate for the position of Information and Privacy Commissioner. We'll be continuing our discussions in camera to receive confidential information relevant to the candi-

date's selection. Would a member like to make a motion that the committee move in camera at this point? Moved by Mr. Quest that we move in camera. All in favour? Opposed? That is carried.

[The committee met in camera from 9:04 a.m. to 9:14 a.m.]

The Chair: Okay. We're back on the record. I had asked Mr. Lindsay to make the motion to adopt the search committee final report containing the committee's recommendation of the candidate for the position of Information and Privacy Commissioner.

Mr. Lindsay: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I do move that the Select Special Information and Privacy Commissioner Search Committee approve the report dated November 28, 2011, and recommend that Ms Jill Clayton be appointed Information and Privacy Commissioner for a five-year term effective February 1, 2012, and that the Speaker be authorized to enter into a contract with Ms Clayton effective at the time of the appointment.

The Chair: Any discussion on that motion? Seeing none, all those in favour of that motion? Opposed? Thank you. That motion is carried.

Ms Tracey Sales, communications consultant with the Legislative Assembly Office, has joined us as well, and we're distributing a draft news release right now. I'll give members a moment to read the release and see whether anyone has any discussion or any questions regarding that.

Ms Blakeman, were you able to get a copy of the news release?

Ms Blakeman: No. I can't do this while I'm moving, and I'm going into the LRT, so I'm going to sign off.

The Chair: Okay. Thank you very much.

Ms Blakeman: Thank you.

The Chair: Has everyone had a chance to read it? Any questions? It's all good? Would someone move the approval of the release? Moved by Mr. Quest that

the Select Special Information and Privacy Commissioner Search Committee approve the news release as distributed.

All those in favour? Opposed? That is carried.

Well, with that, the committee has completed its mandate, and its report will be tabled in the Assembly this afternoon. I'd like to thank the members for their commitment to the mandate and the timeline of this committee.

On behalf of the committee I'd also like to thank Trish Mills and Jean Easton from executive search as well as the staff from that office for extending their expertise and resources to assist the committee during the search.

As well, I'd like to thank everyone for the opportunity of chairing this committee as well as chairing Leg. Offices. I'm moving on to other things, and the committee will have some new people around here. I wish you all the best, and thank you very much.

With that, I'd like to call for a motion to adjourn. Moved by Mr. Marz that we adjourn. All in favour? That is carried.

Thank you.

[The committee adjourned at 9:17 a.m.]

