

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 33

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Wednesday, April 23, 2003

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:30 p.m.

Recognitions

Mr. Maskell, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark: Ann Lewis, Executive Director, Alberta Ballet

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert: Canada Book Week, April 21-27, 2003

Mr. Masyk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood: \$1 million donation made by John Hokanson of Edmonton to NAIT (Northern Alberta Institute of Technology) for a new culinary arts centre called the Hokanson Centre for Culinary Arts

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar: 2003 Easter Walk on Good Friday, April 18, 2003 in Edmonton

 $\mbox{Mr.}$ Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands: National Poetry Month, April 2003

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West: VoicePrint Canada operated by the National Broadcast Reading Service

Mr. Hutton, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora: Edmonton Oilers Hockey Club

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Knight, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky, presented a petition from 760 Alberta, British Columbia, and Saskatchewan residents requesting the Government continue funding for the Applied Forest Resource Management Program at Grande Prairie Regional College.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 156 Albertans requesting the Government withdraw the draft management plan for the Evan-Thomas Provincial Recreation Area and disallow any further commercial or residential development of the Kananaskis Valley.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona:

News release dated April 16, 2003, entitled "CBE (Calgary Board of Education) Requests Full Implementation of New Funding Formula" prepared by the Calgary Board of Education

Sessional Paper 399/2003

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar:

Letter dated April 16, 2003, from Heather Smith, R.N., President, United Nurses of Alberta, to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, updating Mr. MacDonald on the progress being made in the current contract negotiations between the United Nurses of Alberta and regional health authorities

Sessional Paper 400/2003

Letter dated April 7, 2003, from Sheila Boucher of Edmonton to Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, expressing concern regarding the effect of insufficient education funding on the quality of public education

Sessional Paper 401/2003

Copy of a petition signed by 27 Edmonton and area residents requesting public and post-secondary education funding be increased

Sessional Paper 402/2003

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods:

Copy of a petition signed by 98 Albertans, copy of a petition signed by 99 Albertans, and 110 letters dated March 24, 2003, from Albertans to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, Hon. Mr. Lund, Minister of Infrastructure, and Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, disagreeing with Alberta Infrastructure's area capacity and utilization formula and the decision by Grande Yellowhead Regional Division #35 to follow the formula

Sessional Paper 403/2003

Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview:

Letter dated March 24, 2003, from Allison Jackson and Shannan Vig, Aldergrove Parent Advocates, to Mr. Maskell, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, urging Mr. Maskell to voice Aldergrove Elementary School's education funding concerns in the Legislative Assembly, and attaching the Aldergrove Elementary School presentation to the Ward C and E Council Meeting on March 13, 2003

Sessional Paper 404/2003

E-mail message dated March 26, 2003, from Christine Stobart to Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, expressing concern regarding the effect of insufficient education funding on the quality of public education and requesting public education funding be increased

Sessional Paper 405/2003

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Committee of Supply (Day 11 — Main Estimates)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair and Mr. Klapstein reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004, for the Department and purposes indicated:

Finance

\$83,677,000 Operating Expense and Equipment/Inventory Purchases \$82,529,000 Non-budgetary Disbursements

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, it was agreed at 5:10 p.m., that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

Committee of Supply (Day 12 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair and Mr. Klapstein reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004, for the Department and purposes indicated:

Municipal Affairs

\$133,703,000 Operating Expense and Equipment/Inventory Purchases

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and the Acting Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 14 Securities Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Hlady

Bill 16 Agricultural Dispositions Statutes Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Mr. Cardinal

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 10 Health Information Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Mr. Mar

Mr. Klapstein, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of an amendment considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 16 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 406/2003

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:47 p.m. until Thursday, April 24, 2003, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, April 23, 2003