

THE COMMISSION FOR STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE

11th MEETING OF 2011

MINUTES

21st NOVEMBER, 2011

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

PRESENT: Karin M. Thompson Chair
Nyda Mae Flatley Member
Hedley Robinson Member
Pastor Winston Rose Member

APOLOGIES: Roy McTaggart Member

SECRETARIAT MEMBERS PRESENT:
Josephine Hislop Analyst, Commissions Secretariat

1. Meeting called to order

The meeting was called to order at 2:38pm. Pastor Rose opened the meeting with a prayer and the Chairman then welcomed all members of the Commission.

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 25 October, 2011 were approved.

3. Outstanding Business

Assistance of an Expert in the Area of Procurement

Ongoing consultation continues to occur in this area between the various stakeholders. The Chairman would like to formulate a strategy and action plan in order to manage the procurement process. It was noted that the Deputy Governor Designate and the Strategic Advisor to the Deputy Governor recently visited Jersey and have provided a website for others to view the information (www.channelislandtenders.com). A delegation will be going to Jamaica at the end of November comprising of the Honourable Premier, the Honourable Deputy Governor and the Financial Secretary. The Honourable Deputy Governor will liaise with the Chairman upon their return. Both jurisdictions need to be further explored.

4. New Business

a. Statutory Boards' use of The Nolan Principles and a Declaration Form

The Commission discussed how best to approach the issue of incorporating the Nolan Principles into the mandate of each board/committee/etc. The option of amending each relevant law was discussed as was the option of creating one piece of legislation which would cover each entity. It was noted that each entity has different appointment procedures and different levels of conflict of interest between the members and the organisation's business. It was, however, confirmed that conflicts of interest and the Nolan Principles play a role in each entity. The Chairman asked all members to review the table created on statutory boards detailing how members are appointed and be prepared to provide her with input prior to the next meeting. She further agreed to provide all

members with a printed spread sheet for ease of reference which they may collect from her office the next day.

b. Meeting with the Financial Secretary and Primary Stakeholders

The Financial Secretary has again had to postpone his meeting with the Chairman and it has now been scheduled for 1:30pm on 12 December, 2011.

5. Any Other Business

a. UK/OT Committee

The Chairman notified the Commission that her work had concluded on this Committee and the report submitted by the Committee was to be tabled in the near future. At that time all members will be circulated a copy of the report. The Chair ensured that it was clear in the report that she was acting strictly in her capacity as the Chairman of the CSPL and as such the report includes the needs of the Commission and references to the need for Codes of Conduct to be implemented for all boards/committees across Government.

b. Meeting with the Honourable Premier

The Chairman requested that the Secretariat seek an appointment to discuss the Commissions last report with the Honourable Premier as his schedule had previously not allowed for it to occur.

6. Items to be discussed at next the meeting

- a. Statutory Boards' use of The Nolan Principles and a Declaration Form;
- b. Assistance of an expert in the area of procurement; and
- c. Meeting with the Financial Secretary.

7. Action List

Members will review the table created on statutory boards detailing how members are appointed and be prepared to provide the Chairman with input prior to the next meeting.

8. Next meeting

The next meeting of the CSPL will be held on 12th of December at 2:30 pm.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55pm.



Karin Thompson
CHAIRMAN
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