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À CARACTÈRE SEXUEL

The committee met at 1018 in committee room 2.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): The Select Committee on Sexual Violence and Harassment will now come to order. Welcome back, everyone. We thought we were done previously, but here we are again for one last meeting.

So we have some business to take care of before we table our report tomorrow. I understand that we have one of our committee members who will move a motion. MPP McGarry.

Mrs. Kathryn McGarry: Thank you, Chair, and good morning, everybody.

I move that the Select Committee on Sexual Violence and Harassment hold a news conference following the tabling of the committee's final report in the House; and that the Clerk, in consultation with the Chair, be authorized to reproduce the image used on the cover of the final report for the news conference.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): Thank you. Is there any discussion on this matter? Yes, Mrs. McGarry?

Mrs. Kathryn McGarry: I just wanted to indicate that we all feel really strongly that this is going to be a good image for the backdrop, and I'm very happy that everybody agrees with that.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): Clerk, are we able to get an e-copy of that image sent to everyone?

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Katch Koch): I can get a copy back. The actual artwork is with the printer, and I'm expecting it back with the printed report.

But since this motion has carried, I will get in touch with the printer as soon as possible to see if they can turn that over into a poster, a backdrop—whatever they can do for tomorrow afternoon.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): In the event that any of the members wish to use that image for any of your work, whether it's on your websites or on a placard in your own communities, if you are having echo announcements on Friday, you will have the ability to do that with an e-version of the image. Yes, MPP Lalonde?

Mrs. Marie-France Lalonde: I am planning to do an echo announcement in my community on Friday, so it

would be great if we could have access to the e-copy of the image because I can just roll it out in a nice way.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): Our Clerk is telling us that we need to modify our motion then, the second sentence, to not only say "for the press conference," but, perhaps, "and for additional media rollout."

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Katch Koch): Yes, "for additional use."

Traditionally, committee material should only be used by the committee, not for personal use outside of committee because it's the property of the committee, not of individual members.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): Yes, MPP Jones?

Ms. Sylvia Jones: In terms of echo announcements, I guess that I would encourage—suggest—that you use the press release that is being generated on Thursday, as opposed to generating a follow-up one on Friday. I mean, it's quite another matter to go and have a meeting with your local transition homes—there's nothing wrong with that—but to issue another press release or hold another news conference in individual communities starts to get dicey.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): MPP McGarry?

Mrs. Kathryn McGarry: I just wanted to clarify that I thought we were talking about just having an e-copy of the image, so that we could use the image as a backdrop in our echo announcements later. This wasn't about tagging into the press release that's going out officially from all members here.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): Yes, MPP Sattler?

Ms. Peggy Sattler: Given that the artist approved the use of her artwork for the front page of the committee report, can't we agree that rather than use the image as a stand-alone, if we want to do so, we can use the image of the front page of the report? Right? Rather than separating the image from the report cover, any graphic would just be the front page of the report, which is what the artist approved.

Mrs. Marie-France Lalonde: That's what we're suggesting.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): So we're in agreement that we will get an e-version of that to each committee member, so you will have access to it?

Ms. Sylvia Jones: Just to be clear, it's not a version of the artist's work; it is a version of the cover of the select committee report.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): The front cover. Our Clerk is going to augment the motion.

Yes, MPP Sattler?

Ms. Peggy Sattler: Once it's on the cover of the report, then anybody in Ontario can reproduce the cover of the report; right?

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): That's correct, but we are hoping to get an e-version—

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Katch Koch): No, the report is the property of the Legislative Assembly.

Ms. Peggy Sattler: But you can't show a picture of the report that was produced by—

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Katch Koch): If somebody shows a picture of the report, that's fine. But to use the report in any way, to reproduce it in other material—

Ms. Peggy Sattler: Right. But you can take a picture of the cover of the report to say, "This report was released by the Legislative Assembly"?

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Katch Koch): I think you can. I don't know what the legalities are behind the copyrights of the report. If you hold up a report and somebody takes a picture of you holding up the report, I think it's fine, but if you take the report and scan it and use it for some other use, I don't know what the legal issues are.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): Clerk, I think that we can leave this motion the way it is. Use it for the news conference, and since you will be sending us an electronic version and we understand the boundaries around which we can use this, we will follow those instructions.

Yes, MPP Scott?

Ms. Laurie Scott: So if I went on and downloaded the report from the Legislature site, is it going to come with the cover?

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Katch Koch): Yes. It would be the report with the cover. You get the whole thing.

Ms. Laurie Scott: So the picture and everything is downloaded with the report.

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Katch Koch): It's just that I am not sure in terms of copyright issues, if you decide you're just going to download the report cover and use it in something else.

Ms. Laurie Scott: Okay.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): Any other comments from our committee members? Yes, MPP Dong.

Mr. Han Dong: I just want to ask the Chair: It's my understanding that the Clerk will be responsible for the printing of the backdrop which will be used at the news conference tomorrow.

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Katch Koch): Yes, I will look into it as soon as we finish this meeting.

Mr. Han Dong: So we will have that as a backdrop tomorrow?

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Katch Koch): In terms of backdrops, I don't know what is doable with

such short notice. I know I have already made preliminary inquiries into, maybe, posters or whatever. It's just a matter of the printer being able to turn over and have the materials ready.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): MPP Lalonde.

Mrs. Marie-France Lalonde: If they don't, is there an understanding that we agree that we could get an electronic copy and source it out, so that we can make sure that when we collectively are there, we have that backdrop?

Ms. Laurie Scott: You want to use that backdrop in local stuff?

Mrs. Marie-France Lalonde: No, tomorrow, because he cannot guarantee that our printer in the Legislature could have the backdrop for tomorrow. My concern is, what if they don't make it in time? Are we collectively in agreement that we could source that out with the logistics of all the laws, so that tomorrow when we're standing there, the backdrop is there? That was my only concern.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): I saw MPP McGarry's hand go up.

Mrs. Kathryn McGarry: I have a secondary motion regarding an e-version, but I'm wondering if we could just address this one first.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): Members, do we have agreement for the motion that was just presented by MPP McGarry? Thank you.

Now, MPP McGarry, your next motion?

Mrs. Kathryn McGarry: I move that an electronic copy of the final report be circulated to all members of the committee as soon as it is available.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): Are we in agreement about that, that you would all like receive an electronic copy as soon as possible, as it's available tomorrow afternoon? This is the whole report.

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Katch Koch): Yes, the electronic copy will be available as soon as the report is tabled.

Mrs. Kathryn McGarry: I agree. That's what I understand.

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Katch Koch): That's the only caveat.

Mrs. Kathryn McGarry: We all understand that.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): Are we in agreement? Yes? Thank you.

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Katch Koch): I can email the electronic copy to committee members as soon as we do the conversion, and as soon as the Chair gets up in the House to table the report. Obviously, the report is going to get back to our office before tabling, but I will not make that available to anybody until it is tabled.

Mrs. Kathryn McGarry: And we understand that.

The Chair (Ms. Daiene Vernile): Is there any other business, committee members?

This committee stands adjourned.

The committee adjourned at 1028.

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