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[English]

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. André Gagnon): Bonjour à tous. Good afternoon. I think we have quorum.

My name is André Gagnon. I'm the clerk of the Liaison Committee.

As you are aware, our first item of business today is the election of the chair. I am now ready to take a motion.

Madame Boivin.

[Translation]

Ms. Françoise Boivin (Gatineau, NDP): Thank you.

I move that Mr. Allison be elected chair of the committee.

The Clerk: Ms. Boivin moves that Mr. Allison be elected chair of the Liaison Committee.

[English]

Are there any other motions?

The motion before the committee is that Mr. Allison be elected chair of the Liaison Committee.

(Motion agreed to)

The Clerk: Congratulations, Mr. Allison.

We shall now proceed with the election of a vice-chair. I am ready to take a motion.

Mr. Bezan.

Mr. James Bezan (Selkirk—Interlake, CPC): I move that Mr. Christopherson be elected vice-chair.

The Clerk: Mr. Bezan proposes that Mr. Christopherson be elected vice-chair of the Liaison Committee.

Are there any other motions?

Mr. Merv Tweed (Brandon—Souris, CPC): That's playing fair.

Some hon. members: Oh, oh!

The Clerk: The motion before the committee is that Mr. Christopherson be elected vice-chair of the Liaison Committee.

(Motion agreed to)

The Clerk: Mr. Christopherson is duly elected vice-chair of the committee.

Now I invite Mr. Allison to take the chair.

Merci.

The Chair (Mr. Dean Allison (Niagara West—Glanbrook, CPC): We're going to proceed now with the election of the subcommittee on committee budgets. What we're going to need is a total of seven. We already have a chair and a vice-chair; we'll need five other, additional members.

Mr. Preston.

Mr. Joe Preston (Elgin—Middlesex—London, CPC): I'd like to nominate Mr. Miller.

Mr. James Bezan: I nominate Mr. Tweed.

Mr. Larry Miller (Bruce—Grey—Owen Sound, CPC): I nominate Mr. Preston.

The Chair: Mr. Tweed.

Mr. Merv Tweed: Mr. Bezan has a lot of experience on this, so I would nominate him.

The Chair: Ms. Smith.

Mrs. Joy Smith (Kildonan—St. Paul, CPC): I nominate Mr. Warkentin.

The Chair: Mr. Martin.

Mr. Pat Martin (Winnipeg Centre, NDP): I'd like to nominate Madame Boivin.

The Chair: We now have six members, instead of the five. I want to ask the committee whether it would be okay if we went with the six members we have nominated, plus the two, the chair and the vice-chair.

Is that okay?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

The Chair: Thank you very much.

We're now going to go forward with routine motions.

Mr. David Christopherson (Hamilton Centre, NDP): Can we go in camera?

The Chair: We've actually been....

I have two routine motions here. The first is on working meals: that the clerk of the committee be authorized to make the necessary arrangements to provide working meals for the committee and its subcommittees.

Do I have someone to move that for me?

Mr. James Bezan: I so move.

(Motion agreed to)

The Chair: The second routine motion I have is with regard to the service of the analysts from the Library of Parliament: that the committee retain as needed and at the discretion of the chair the services of one or more of the analysts from the Library of Parliament to assist in its work.

Mr. Benoit moves the motion to adopt.

(Motion agreed to)

The Chair: Thank you very much for dealing with routine motions.

We'll move on to item 5. Just give us a moment to go in camera, and then we'll look at our financial report.

[Proceedings continue in camera]



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