

DEDICATION

The journal of the 18th North Shore Youth Parliament is dedicated to the youth of the North Shore and Surrounding areas as this who we, as members, serve. It is also dedicated to the clerking staff and the umbrella organization, British Columbia youth Parliament.

As the secret goes: “We are not the leaders of tomorrow, but in fact the leaders of today.” The ministers of the 18th North Shore Youth Parliament hope to see all members of the house rise to the challenge presented to them at session.

Jeff Wilson

Premier, 18th North Shore Youth Parliament

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Honourable Members,

It was a pleasure to serve as your Speaker at this Session of North Shore Youth Parliament. I thoroughly enjoyed presiding over your debates. Your witty participation and intelligent insights throughout Session were instrumental to the success of this event. As you return to your home constituencies and resume your usual activities, take the time to reflect and remember what you have done here, and without a doubt, keep in touch with the people you have met. You have met like-minded individuals who may become valued colleagues and close friends in the future.

The North Shore Youth Parliament is an exceptional organization run by some very dedicated people, who have my thanks for their continued work throughout the Sessional year. But I would be remiss if I did not shine the spotlight on the tenacious individuals who made this all possible. First, I am pleased to thank the members of the Regional Planning Committee: Karen Ratchford, Jillian Steger, Caitlin Kleaman and Jeff Wilson who all worked tirelessly to overcome the administrative challenge that is running a Regional Youth Parliament. From the initial steps of creating and passing a Charter Application, to the recruitment of Members, to running Session, these individuals have done a substantial amount of work, and for that, they have my thanks.

This Journal would not have been possible if not for the tireless efforts of the clerking team. My thanks go out to Karen Ratchford, the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, who was ably assisted by Oriana Camporese, Karn Safaya and Hardave Birk throughout Session. The clerks put in countless hours putting together the Journal. While I have no doubt that their work was tiring, they consistently worked in a professional and efficient manner befitting such a fine clerking team. Things were learned, and a Journal was produced; bravo! I would also like to take this opportunity to thank my capable deputy, Oriana Camporese, for her candor and enthusiasm in Committee of the Whole. I have no doubt that British Columbia Youth Parliament is in fine hands in Committee at their 81st Session this December. Finally, I would like to thank Dora Turje, the Lieutenant-Governor, for attending and participating in the opening and closing ceremonies. Her constant support of the Regional Youth Parliament movement during her years of service with Youth Parliament is simply astounding.

Your House Leaders, Jeff Wilson and Brian Chung, and Cabinet worked hard to prepare legislation that was of the highest quality for your debates this weekend. If you take only one thing from this weekend, let it be this: the Canadian democratic process can work. Right here in the North Vancouver District Hall, you have demonstrated this fact. You have taken legislation created by your Cabinet, passed it in principle in Second Reading, debated it heartily in Committee of the Whole, and approved it in Third Reading. Do not lose faith in this system of government, because you have been a key part of a non-partisan, independent demonstration of how well it can work. It simply requires participation, and not just on the part of the politicians. It takes the common citizen, youth included, taking part by voting and lobbying their representatives in the House of Commons and the Legislative Assembly, to make change happen.

Perhaps it is the youth of this fine country that will make the difference in the end. Remember what you've done here, because it may well be your idea or opinion that takes this country to the next level.

I wish you all the best in the upcoming year.

Yours truly,

Corrigan E. Cassidy, B.A.

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

18th North Shore Youth Parliament



A PROCLAMATION

North Shore Youth Parliament

To Our Faithful Members Elected to Serve in the First Session of the Eighteenth North Shore Youth Parliament and to every one of you:

GREETINGS.

WHEREAS British Columbia Youth Parliament has made provision for free expression and self-government of organized youth groups in British Columbia.

WE DO HEREBY MAKE KNOWN that the First Session of the Eighteenth North Shore Youth Parliament be convened.

IN PURSUANCE OF THIS COMMAND, we do enjoin each of you that on Friday, the twentieth day of February, in this year two thousand and nine and in the fifty-seventh of Her Majesty's Reign, at the hour of six thirty in the evening, you do meet for the dispatch of business, to treat, act, do and conclude upon these things which relate to the mental, physical, spiritual and social development of organisations which may be presented for your consideration.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF I have set my signature hereto this twentieth day of February, in the two thousandth and ninth year.

AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE, in the City of North Vancouver this twentieth day of February in the year two thousand and nine and in the fifty-seventh year of Her Majesty's Reign.

Ms Dora Turje
Lieutenant Governor
First Session

Eighteenth North Shore Youth Parliament

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North Shore Youth Parliament
OATH OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

“I hereby promise that I shall do all in my power to further the mental, physical, spiritual and social development of the youth of the North Shore and thus uphold the ideals of the North Shore Youth Parliament.”

FORMER HOUSE LEADERS OF THE NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT					
#	YEAR	LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	SPEAKER	PREMIER	LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION
1	1988	Mr. Bill Good Jr.	Ms Karen Sommer	Ms Mary Georgilas	Ms Vered Cohen
na	1992	Mr. Sean Vanderfluit	Ms Rhonda Vanderfluit	Mr. Tieg Martin	Ms Karen Lee
2	1993	Mr. Jeremy Dalton, M.L.A.	Mr. Leo Wong	Ms Karen Lee	Ms Nozgol Shifteh
3	1994	Mr. Jeremy Dalton, M.L.A.	Ms Cynthia Johansen	Mr. Rob Croston	Mr. Christopher Lee
4	1995	Mr. Jeremy Dalton, M.L.A.	Ms Melanie Stapleton	Mr. Christopher Lee	Mr. Rob Croston
5	1996	Mr. Jeremy Dalton, M.L.A.	Mr. Alireza Azmudeh	Mr. Trajan Martin	Mr. Hamish Marshall
6	1997	Mr. Jeremy Dalton, M.L.A.	Mr. Mark Karjaluto	Mr. Erfan Kazemi	Mr. Ryan Mills
7	1998	Mr. Jeremy Dalton, M.L.A.	Mr. Trajan Martin / Ms Robyn Marshall	Mr. Ryan Mills	Mr. Erfan Kazemi
8	1999	Mr. Jeremy Dalton, M.L.A.	Mr. Aniz Alani	Mr. Sam Schechter	Mr. Simon Jackson
9	2000	Mr. Jeremy Dalton, M.L.A.	Ms Robyn Marshall	Mr. Simon Jackson	Mr. Eric Storm
10	2001	Mr. Jeremy Dalton, M.L.A.	Ms Robyn Marshall	Ms Kim van Wyk	Mr. Nick MacFarlane
11	2002	Mr. Victor Tuomi	Ms Robyn Marshall	Ms Kim van Wyk	Mr. Andrew Mark
12	2003	Mr. Victor Tuomi	Ms Rhonda Vanderfluit	Ms Emily-Anne Paul	Ms Alisha Meakes
13	2004	Mr. Victor Tuomi	Ms Nicole Stewart	Mr. Alexander Mucalov	Mr. Andrew Busay
14	2005	Mr. Victor Tuomi	Ms Emilie-Anne Paul	Ms Kendall Gustavson	Ms Rose Lee
15	2006	Ms Jennifer Jay	Ms Dora Turje	Mr. Pedram Moussavi	Mr. Colin Whelan
16	2007	Mr. Swithin D'Souza	Ms Dora Turje	Mr. James Lin	Ms Stephanie Fowler
17	2008	Mr. Victor Mung	Ms Dora Turje	Mr. Christine Ko	Mr. Jeff Wilson
18	2009	Ms Dora Turje	Mr. Corrigan Cassidy	Mr. Jeff Wilson	Mr. Brian Chung

(The Regional Youth Parliaments Act is an Act of British Columbia Youth Parliament that contains the guiding policies for Regional Youth Parliament Administration. In accordance with section 13(3) of the Act, the Charter package is published in the Journal of the 16th North Shore Youth Parliament.)

HISTORY OF THE REGIONAL YOUTH PARLIAMENT MOVEMENT

In 1984, at the 56th Session of the British Columbia Youth Parliament, Dave Keary introduced the idea of Regional Youth Parliaments (RYPs). Keary's original idea was to have RYPs collectively run BCYP's largest service project – Camp Phoenix. Unfortunately, the idea of RYPs did not take hold that year, or the after, because the 57th Session of BCYP was already presenting two major projects: Western Canada Youth Parliament and Camp Phoenix.

In December of 1986, however, the 58th Session of BCYP saw the birth of RYPs. Dean Crawford, the Minister of Project Phoenix, championed the mandate to create one RYP and a Regional Youth Parliament Handbook, to be used as a reference guide for future members to run an RYP. The RYP that was created that year was the Kootenay Youth Parliament (KYP). It was held in Creston during the summer of 1987.

At the 59th Session of BCYP, RYPs made it into the legislation for the first time. They were presented as part of the *Regional Activities Act*, and were the responsibility of the Deputy Premier, Sharon Pratt (now Hallsor). Pratt appointed Chairs for the various Regional Planning Committees. That year, KYP was held for the second time outside the BCYP umbrella, and six new RYPs were held under BCYP guidance. The six new RYPs were:

Vancouver Youth Parliament	March 18-20, 1988
New Westminister-Coquitlam-Burnaby Youth Parliament	April 29-May 1, 1988
Vancouver Island Youth Parliament	May 20-22, 1988
North Shore Youth Parliament	May 20-22, 1988
Pacific Northwest Youth Parliament	May 20-22, 1988
Okanagan Youth Parliament	July 8-10, 1988

Since that time, some RYPs have been discontinued, some have been held sporadically and other new ones have been created. Only one RYP has continued uninterrupted to today: the Vancouver Youth Parliament, now in its 22nd Session.

Today, under the *Regional Youth Parliaments Act, 2009*, RYPs are the responsibility of the BCYP Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments. As the parent organization, BCYP has maintained its commitment to sponsor and guide RYPs. RYPs have celebrated many successes and hopefully will continue to prosper in the future.

REGIONAL YOUTH PARLIAMENTS ACT, 2009
[S.B.C.Y.P. 2009, CHAPTER 2]

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An Act to Organize, Administer, and Promote Regional Youth Parliaments.

Preamble

WHEREAS the 58th British Columbia Youth Parliament deemed it expedient to organize Regional Youth Parliaments in order to expand the Youth Parliament movement;

AND WHEREAS it is an aim of British Columbia Youth Parliament to promote the mental, physical, spiritual and social well-being of the youth of British Columbia;

AND WHEREAS through the fulfillment of these aims, Regional Youth Parliaments will be an excellent medium for the education

of the youth of British Columbia.

THEREFORE Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia Youth Parliament, enacts as follows:

Definitions

1 In this Act,

“**Charter**” means the set of documents granted to an Initiate or Returning Parliament conferring official British Columbia Youth Parliament recognition on a Regional Youth Parliament for a period of one year;

“**Initiate Parliament**” means an organization applying for British Columbia Youth Parliament sponsorship for the first time, after not having renewed its Charter for a period not less than one year, or after having a previously granted Charter revoked;

“**Minister**” means the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments;

“**Lieutenant Governor in Council**” means the Cabinet of British Columbia Youth Parliament exercising the power of the Lieutenant Governor and other functions authorized by legislation;

“**Regional Planning Committee**” means the committee formed by the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments to organize the Regional Youth Parliament Session;

“**Regional Youth Parliament**” means a subordinate legislature of British Columbia Youth Parliament created to expand the Youth Parliament movement and to educate youth about the Parliamentary process in a particular region of the province of British Columbia;

“**Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee**” means the committee formed by the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments to review each Regional Youth Parliament’s Charter application, legislation, and other issues pertinent to Regional Youth Parliaments;

“**Returning Parliament**” means a Regional Youth Parliament currently sponsored by British Columbia Youth Parliament seeking to renew its Charter for an additional Sessional year.

Principle

- 2 (1) It is hereby recognized that British Columbia Youth Parliament and the Regional Youth Parliaments should work together in order to preserve and spread the Youth Parliament movement in British Columbia.
- (2) The *Regional Youth Parliaments Act* is the authority under which Regional Youth Parliaments are organized, and any Regional Youth Parliament legislation that is inconsistent with the provisions of this Act is, to the extent of the inconsistency, of no force or effect.

Nature of Regional Youth Parliaments

3 Regional Youth Parliaments must be non-partisan, non-profit and non-denominational.

General powers

4 Despite anything in this Act, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may effect changes, as necessary, in areas including, but not limited to, policy, procedure and structure, as they pertain to Regional Youth Parliaments, to ensure the welfare of British Columbia Youth Parliament, Regional Youth Parliaments or the Youth Parliament of British Columbia Alumni Society.

Ministry responsible for administration of Regional Youth Parliaments

5 The Ministry of Regional Youth Parliaments must provide for the organization and administration of Regional Youth Parliaments in British Columbia as set out in this Act.

Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee

- 6 (1) The Minister, in consultation with the Lieutenant Governor in Council and Senate, must strike a Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee which must include
- (a) the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments,
 - (b) the Minister of Finance,
 - (c) the Premier,

- (d) at least 2 other members of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, and
 - (e) a Senator.
- (2) The Senator appointed under subsection (1) (e), may appoint a designate to act in his or her place on such occasions as deemed necessary by the Senator.

Regional Planning Committees

- 7 (1) The Minister must strike a Regional Planning Committee to organize each Regional Youth Parliament's Session.
- (2) Regional Planning Committees must include
- (a) a Chairperson appointed by the Minister,
 - (b) a Chief Returning Officer, responsible for the recruitment of members and administration of nominations;
 - (c) the Premier of the upcoming Regional Youth Parliament Session,
 - (d) at least one Member of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, where practicable, and
 - (e) the Leader of the Opposition of the upcoming Regional Youth Parliament Session, where practicable.
- (3) The member(s) of the Regional Planning Committee appointed under subsection (2) (b) and (d), and any additional members of the Committee must be appointed by the Chairperson of the Regional Planning Committee, in consultation with the Minister.
- (4) The Chairperson of each Regional Youth Parliament, in consultation with the Regional Planning Committee, is responsible for the appointment of
- (a) a Lieutenant Governor,
 - (b) a Speaker,
 - (c) a Deputy Speaker,
 - (d) a Chief Clerk,
 - (e) at least one assistant Clerk, selected by the Chief Clerk,
 - (f) a Legislative Liaison, and
 - (g) a Sessional Director, who must be at least 21 years of age.
- (5) All appointments made by the Chairperson and the Regional Planning Committee are subject to approval by the Minister, in consultation with the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee.
- (6) Any Member wishing to start an Initiate Parliament must contact the Minister for information on the process they should follow to do so.

Handbook

- 8 (1) The Minister must revise and distribute the *Regional Youth Parliament Handbook*, a guide to planning Regional Youth Parliament Sessions, to
- (a) each Regional Planning Committee,
 - (b) the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee, and
 - (c) any other interested parties.
- (2) The handbook must outline the responsibilities of the Regional Planning Committee in planning a Regional Youth Parliament Session.
- (3) The handbook must reflect the principles, restrictions and obligations contained within the latest version of the *Regional Youth Parliaments Act*.

Charter Applications

- 9 (1) The Chairperson of each Regional Planning Committee must submit a written application to the Minister, no later than 6 weeks prior to the proposed date of the Regional Youth Parliament Session, which must consist of the following:
- (a) a proposed set of regional boundaries,
 - (b) a written report indicating the feasibility of a Regional Youth Parliament in the proposed region,
 - (c) the proposed site of the Regional Youth Parliament Session,

- (d) the proposed dates of the Regional Youth Parliament Session,
 - (e) a written statement expressing the Regional Youth Parliament's agreement to comply with all provisions contained within this Act,
 - (f) a budget proposal approved by the Minister of Finance prior to the submission of the Charter application,
 - (g) a list of proposed individuals to fill the roles outlined in section 7, subsection (4),
 - (h) a copy of the membership application.
- (2) In the case of a Returning Parliament, the Chairperson of the Regional Planning Committee must report on the Regional Youth Parliament's fulfilment of their legislation in addition to the information required by subsection (1).
 - (3) Regional Youth Parliament Charters may be granted by the Minister in consultation with the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee.
 - (4) Regional Planning Committees may not distribute application forms until a Charter has been granted to the Regional Youth Parliament.

Charter

- 10 (1) Each Regional Youth Parliament must receive a Charter package including the following:
 - (a) a brief history of the Regional Youth Parliament movement;
 - (b) the most recent consolidated version of this Act;
 - (c) a detailed description of British Columbia Youth Parliament's administrative expectations of the Regional Youth Parliament's Premier and Minister of Finance;
 - (d) a statement of Charterhood, which must be signed by the following individuals:
 - (i) the Premier of British Columbia Youth Parliament;
 - (ii) the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments;
 - (iii) the Premier of the Regional Youth Parliament;
 - (iv) the Minister of Finance of the Regional Youth Parliament.
- (2) The Charter package must be included in the Journal of all Regional Youth Parliaments.

Restrictions

- 11 (1) The Minister may, in consultation with the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee, place restrictions on a Charter at any time.
- (2) Under subsection (1), Regional Youth Parliaments may be restricted from privileges including, but not limited to
 - (a) debating and passing a *Supply Act*,
 - (b) organizing or participating in service projects or events,
 - (c) fundraising for other charitable organizations, or
 - (d) issuing Orders in Council.
- (3) If a restriction is placed upon a Regional Youth Parliament Charter, the Minister must explain in writing the reasons for doing so to the Regional Planning Committee at the time the restriction is placed.

Revocation of Charter

- 12 (1) The Minister may, in consultation with the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee, revoke a Charter at any time if
 - (a) the Regional Youth Parliament
 - (i) jeopardizes British Columbia Youth Parliament's registered charity status,
 - (ii) jeopardizes British Columbia Youth Parliament's reputation as a non-partisan, non-denominational youth service organization, or
 - (iii) breaches the provisions of this Act, or
 - (b) exceptional circumstances exist such that the revocation would be necessary to maintain the peace, order and good government of the Regional Youth Parliament movement in British Columbia.

- (2) The Minister must inform the Regional Planning Committee in writing of the reasons for revocation of their Charter prior to any action taken under subsection (1).
- (3) If a Regional Youth Parliament Cabinet or Regional Planning Committee wishes to comment on the proposed revocation of its Charter, it may submit written comments to the Minister within one week of being informed of the proposal, which must be reviewed by the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee prior to any action taken under subsection (1).
- (4) In the event of a revocation of a Charter, the Minister must submit a written report outlining the reasons for the revocation
 - (a) for review by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, Senate and the Regional Youth Parliament Cabinet,
 - (b) for publication in the next issue of the *Parliamentarian*, and
 - (c) to be tabled at the next Session of British Columbia Youth Parliament.

Membership criteria

- 13 (1) Each member of a Regional Youth Parliament must
 - (a) reside or attend an educational institution in the Regional Youth Parliament region,
 - (b) not be a member of another Regional Youth Parliament, and
 - (c) reach age 14, but be younger than age 19, as of December 31 of the year in which the Regional Youth Parliament Session is being held.
- (2) Anyone who meets the criteria outlined in paragraphs (b) and (c) of the previous subsection, but neither resides in nor attends an educational institution within the boundaries of any Regional Youth Parliament, must be permitted membership in any Regional Youth Parliament at the discretion of the Chairperson of its Regional Planning Committee in consultation with the Minister.

Ambassadors

- 14 (1) Ambassadors from other nominating organizations may be invited to attend a Regional Youth Parliament Session.
- (2) An ambassador must reach age 14, but be younger than 19, as of December 31 of the year in which the Regional Youth Parliament Session is being held.
- (3) Ambassadors have debating privileges defined in the legislation and Standing Orders of the Regional Youth Parliament.

Finances

- 15 (1) The Minister of Finance of British Columbia Youth Parliament must administer the finances of each Regional Youth Parliament.
- (2) The Minister of Finance of British Columbia Youth Parliament must table a report, to be written in conjunction with the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments, providing guidelines for the administration of Regional Youth Parliament finances.

Registration fees

- 16 (1) The Minister of Finance, in consultation with the Regional Planning Committee and the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee, must levy a registration fee from members attending each Regional Youth Parliament Session.
- (2) Sessional expenditures as may be required for the implementation of the responsibilities of the Regional Planning Committee must be at the discretion of the Minister of Finance.
- (3) At the discretion of the Minister of Finance, monies may be allocated to the Cabinet of each Regional Youth Parliament in order to meet legislated expenditures.
- (4) Additional monies, as may be required to meet legislated expenditures, may be raised by the Regional Youth Parliament.

Charter fees

- 17 The Minister of Finance must collect a Charter fee from each Regional Youth Parliament within 75 days of the granting a

Charter to the Regional Youth Parliament, subject to the following:

- (a) this fee must be used to cover British Columbia Youth Parliament and Senate expenses in the purchase of insurance for the Regional Youth Parliament;
- (b) the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments, in consultation with the Minister of Finance, may postpone payment of this fee if a Regional Youth Parliament is experiencing financial difficulties.

Cancellation of Regional Youth Parliament Session

- 18** (1) If one week before a scheduled Session there are fewer than the number of eligible applicants required to cover the costs of running the Session, the Minister may cancel the Regional Youth Parliament Session.
- (2) Despite anything in subsection (1), the Minister, in consultation with the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee, must cancel any Regional Youth Parliament Session that is deemed unfeasible.

Premiers' Guidelines

- 19** The Minister must table a report providing guidelines for Regional Youth Parliament Premiers.

Recall of House Leader

- 20** Where exceptional circumstances exist, a House Leader or House Leader-Elect may be recalled by a vote of the Lieutenant Governor in Council upon the recommendation of the Minister in consultation with the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee.

Appointment of House Leader after recall or resignation

- 21** In the event of the resignation or recall of a Regional Youth Parliament House Leader, the Chairperson of the Regional Planning Committee must appoint a designate in consultation with the Minister and the Regional Youth Parliament Planning Committee.

Legislative review

- 22** (1) The Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee must convene, in person or by other means, to scrutinize and review legislation and resolutions passed by each Regional Youth Parliament.
- (2) The Committee may recommend the complete or partial disallowance of legislation or resolutions if they, for example, would result in the revocation of the Regional Youth Parliament's Charter, or could conceivably jeopardize the Regional Youth Parliament's or British Columbia Youth Parliament's continued existence or reputation.
- (3) The Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee must report its recommendations to the Lieutenant Governor in Council within 45 days of the prorogation of the Regional Youth Parliament Session.
- (4) The Lieutenant Governor in Council must convene, in person or by other means, to consider the recommendations of the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee within 60 days of the Regional Youth Parliament Session.
- (5) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may disallow any Act or resolution or portion thereof that falls under the guidelines for the disallowance of legislation outlined in subsection (2)
- (6) The Minister must communicate in writing any disallowance made to the appropriate Regional Youth Parliament Cabinet within 2 weeks of the disallowance being made.
- (7) If Regional Youth Parliament legislation or resolutions are, at any time, found to contravene any provision of the most recent version of this Act, the Minister, with the consent of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, may direct the Regional Youth Parliament Cabinet to remedy the inconsistency, or may disallow previously enacted legislation, resolutions or portions thereof pursuant to section 2, subsection (2) of this Act.

Orders in Council

- 23** (1) Regional Youth Parliament Cabinets may issue Orders in Council, having the full force of legislation, which add new orders to any piece of legislation authorized by the Legislative Assembly of the Regional Youth Parliament.
- (2) All Orders in Council must be approved by the Minister, in consultation with the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee.

Report of Regional Planning Committee

- 24 (1) The Chairperson of the Regional Planning Committee must submit a written report within 2 weeks following the end of the Regional Youth Parliament Session to the Minister with specific reference to
- (a) the organization and performance of the Regional Planning Committee,
 - (b) the organization and execution of the Regional Youth Parliament Session,
 - (c) any recommendations for future Chairpersons regarding the above issues, and
 - (d) any information deemed to be pertinent by the Chairperson.
- (2) Regional Planning Committee reports must be tabled at the next Session of British Columbia Youth Parliament.

Premiers' reports

- 25 The Premiers of all Regional Youth Parliaments must make written reports to the Minister at such times as the Minister may require describing
- (a) the Regional Youth Parliament's activities,
 - (b) the Regional Youth Parliament's fulfillment of its legislation, and
 - (c) any other pertinent information as requested.

Event approval

- 26 (1) The Premier of each Regional Youth Parliament must receive approval from the Minister at least 5 days prior to any Regional Youth Parliament activity or event.
- (2) If the proposed Regional Youth Parliament activity or event is not within the nature, or is beyond the scope, of past or present activities undertaken by Regional Youth Parliaments or British Columbia Youth Parliament, the Minister must consult the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee before sanctioning the Regional Youth Parliament activity or event.

Comments on proposed amendments

- 27 (1) The Chairperson, Premier, and Premier-elect of each Regional Youth Parliament must receive a copy of any proposed amendments to this Act at least one month prior to consideration at a British Columbia Youth Parliament Session.
- (2) If a Regional Youth Parliament Cabinet wishes to comment on the proposed amendments, they may submit a letter to the Minister before the Session, which must be tabled prior to debate on amendments to this Act.
- (3) The Chairperson, Premier, and Premier-elect of each Regional Youth Parliament must receive an up-to-date copy of this Act following a Session at which it has been amended.

Policies

- 28 A report must be tabled by the Minister on Regional Youth Parliament policies before any amendment to this Act.

Responsibility for Act

- 29 This Act is the responsibility of the Ministers of Regional Youth Parliaments and Finance.

Repeal of Act

- 30 This Act repeals the *Regional Youth Parliaments Act, 1999*.

Commencement

- 31 This Act comes into force on January 1, 2009

REGIONAL YOUTH PARLIAMENT PREMIERS' GUIDELINES

Pursuant to section 23 of the *Regional Youth Parliaments Act*, 1999 (Consolidated 2008), I hereby submit a report providing the guidelines for Regional Youth Parliament Premiers.

The Premier of a Regional Youth Parliament (RYP) must abide by the rules, regulations and responsibilities outlined in British Columbia Youth Parliament's (BCYP's) *Regional Youth Parliaments Act*, the RYP's *Ministerial Responsibilities Act*, the RYP's [name of regional] *Youth Parliament Act* and the *Regional Youth Parliament Handbook*.

RYP Premiers must sit on the Regional Planning Committee (RPC), hold a legislative Session and sign the Statement of Charterhood.

Prior to BCYP Session, the Premier of an RYP, upon receiving the proposed amendments to BCYP's *Regional Youth Parliaments Act* from the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments, must forward a copy of the proposed amendments to his or her Cabinet, if it is appointed at that time.

The Premier of an RYP must appoint a Cabinet, at least two months prior to the scheduled date of the RYP Session, to assist in the composition and fulfillment of legislation before and after the RYP Session.

The Premier of an RYP is responsible for aiding his or her Cabinet in the following ways:

1. Act as a liaison between Cabinet and the Minister of RYPs;
2. Ensure that the Attorney General has prepared all proposed legislation to be presented to Cabinet at the legislative weekend meeting;
3. Ensure that all proposed legislation and resolutions would not jeopardize the RYP's status as a legitimate organization;
4. Ensure that all Bill Presenting Ministers have prepared and sent their appropriate legislation to the Attorney General by a date set by the Attorney General;
5. Organize and execute a leg-weekend meeting to review legislation and plans for the Sessional year;
6. Ensure that the Leader of the Opposition receives all proposed government legislation at least two weeks prior to the scheduled date of the RYP Session to allow the Leader of the Opposition to hold an anti-legislation weekend meeting;
7. Submit all Tabled Reports and Continuity Reports to the Chief Clerk by the deadline set by the Chief Clerk;
8. Ensure that letters requesting written and verbal greetings are sent out by the RYP's Regional Secretary at least one month prior to the RYP Session;
9. Approve all correspondence sent out by Members of Cabinet on behalf of the RYP; and
10. Refer to the RYP's *Ministerial Responsibilities Act* and the *RYP Handbook* for additional ways to aid his or her Cabinet.

During the RYP Session, an RYP Premier is expected to:

1. Take the Oath of Office and Oath of the Lieutenant Governor during the first sitting of the House;
2. Adhere to and ensure that his or her Cabinet adheres to the Standing Orders of the House at all times;
3. Ensure that legislation is presented in a tasteful and protocol adhering manner;
4. Aid Members of the House in learning about parliamentary procedure; and
5. Encourage Members to participate in the RYP.

The Premier of an RYP is expected to meet the deadlines, set by the Chief Clerk, to submit the following documents to the Chief Clerk to be published in the RYP Journal:

1. The dedication,
2. The Speech from the Throne,
3. The Prorogation Speech, and
4. A list of all persons who made valuable contributions to the success of the RYP, to be included in the Resolution of Thanks.

Following deadlines set by the Chief Clerk, an RYP Premier must:

1. Design and create a cover for the RYP Journal, to be given to the Chief Clerk;
2. Forward a copy of all proposed legislation to the Chief Clerk;
3. Forward a paper flow schedule, created by the Attorney General, to the Chief Clerk;
4. Be available to sign the Journal in places indicated by the Chief Clerk.

When the RYP's legislation is sent to the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee (RYPMC) to review, the Premier must act as a representative for the Legislative Assembly or appoint a delegate to do so. The delegate must ensure that all appropriate corrections, at the request of the RYPMC are made.

After the RYP Session, an RYP Premier must act on behalf of the whole House. He or she must ensure that all Orders in Council (OIC) passed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council (LGiC) are sent to the RYPMC for review.

RYP Premiers must ensure that the Minister of RYPs approves all events no later than three days prior to the proposed date of the event. If the Minister of RYPs does not approve a proposed event, the Premier is required to cancel the proposed event.

Upon request of the Minister of RYPs, RYP Premiers must submit written reports outlining the RYP's activities to date and planned activities.

At the close of the RYP's Sessional year, the RYP Premier must compose a continuity report compiled of suggestions and ideas for the Premier-elect. If possible, the RYP Premier should hold a Cabinet meeting to gain input from Cabinet on the Sessional year.

If an RYP Charter is revoked, the Cabinet of the RYP may send comments to the Minister of RYPs through the RYP Premier within one week of receiving the revocation.

If the Premier is forced to resign from office, he or she must immediately inform the Minister of RYPs. If the Premier is recalled following a vote of the BCYP LGiC, upon recommendation of the Minister of RYPs in consultation with the RYPMC, he or she must step down and hand over any materials belonging to the RYP and any pertinent files to the office to the newly appointed Premier.

REPORT ON REGIONAL YOUTH PARLIAMENT FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

This report is submitted in accordance with section 19 of the *Regional Youth Parliaments Act, 1999* (Consolidated 2008).

The following policies apply to all Regional Youth Parliaments (RYPs) and may be revised in special circumstances at the discretion of the Minister of Finance, in consultation with the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee. For all matters not specifically covered in this report, please contact the Minister of Finance for further information.

Account structure

All Regional Youth Parliament money shall be held in the principal community service account administered by the Minister of Finance. Regulation of signing officers for this account is as legislated in the *Ministerial Responsibilities Act*. The Minister of Finance will keep a record of the amount allocated to each RYP and to the General RYP Account within the greater principle community service account.

All monies owing to a Regional Youth Parliament shall be made payable to British Columbia Youth Parliament. Similarly, all monies raised by a RYP must be forwarded to the Minister of Finance, who shall add the funds to the account held in trust for the Regional Youth Parliament accordingly.

All authorized expenses will be paid for by the Minister of Finance from the money held in trust for the respective RYP that incurred the expense. At any given time, the Minister of Finance will only cover authorized expenses up to the amount held for the Regional Youth Parliament.

The financial year of a RYP shall be the same as that for British Columbia Youth Parliament.

Regional Youth Parliament Financial Officers

Each Regional Planning Committee (RPC) must appoint a Financial Officer to act as a liaison between the Regional Youth Parliament and the Minister of Finance. This person may be a member of the RPC or a member of the RYP Cabinet, such as the RYP's Minister of Finance, or any other individual who is qualified to answer questions regarding the RYP's income and expenditures. This person may also change during the year, for example be a member of the RPC before Session and then be a member of the RYP Cabinet after Session, so long as the change is clearly communicated to the Minister of Finance. The Financial Officer must keep a record of authorized expenses as they are incurred as he or she may be contacted from time to time by the Minister of Finance to confirm the legitimacy of reimbursement requests and other payments.

Regional Youth Parliament Session budget and registration fee

Expenses necessary for a Regional Youth Parliament's Session will be determined in the form of a RPC budget, one of the components of the Charter Application. The budget must be approved by the Minister of Finance before the Charter Application is submitted to the RYPMC.

The registration fee levied against RYP Members will be determined by the Minister of Finance in consultation with the RPC. The fee shall be set such that the projected total revenue generated from the fee plus a reasonable portion of the RYP carryover, if carryover from the previous year exists, will be sufficient to cover the expenses deemed necessary under the RPC budget. RYPs also have the option of increasing the registration fee in order to cover expenses that have a reasonable chance of being legislated by the RYP Membership at Session in the form of a *Supply Act*. (If a RYP wishes to run legislated projects that incur expenses over and above the amount generated by the registration fee increase it may organize fundraising activities to generate the required money. See below for more details.) If a RYP wishes to pursue this option, they should communicate this to the Minister of Finance through the RPC.

Regional Youth Parliament budget and fundraising

A Regional Youth Parliament may pass a *Supply Act* outlining the expenses it expects to incur as it fulfills its legislation, as authorized by the RYP Membership. The purpose of a *Supply Act* or any other form of RYP-developed budget is simply to clarify the manner in which the Membership would like the RYP's money to be spent. A *Supply Act* is subject to scrutiny by the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee during Legislative Review. It is also subject to the constraints of this report, including the fact that the Minister of Finance will only cover authorized expenses up to the amount held for the RYP, as has already been stated.

A RYP may organize fundraising activities to generate the money required to run its legislated projects. As already stated, monies raised must be forwarded to the Minister of Finance who will then adjust the amount held for the Regional Youth Parliament accordingly.

Regional Youth Parliament with financial restrictions budget and fundraising

A RYP with financial restrictions in place may not legislate any Act or Resolution involving the raising of money.

A RYP with financial restrictions may not fundraise money. If a financially restricted RYP wishes to implement an activity legislated at Session that requires the expenditure of money, they may apply for funding under the provisions of the RYP Initiative Projects Fund.

Reimbursement procedures

All individuals must **apply** for the reimbursement of their RYP related expenses by following these guidelines:

1. Receipts and invoices must be forwarded to the Minister of Finance **within two weeks** of the expense being incurred. If the receipt or invoice is not available for forwarding within that timeframe, the individual should contact the Minister of Finance to indicate that an expense has been incurred and that an application for reimbursement will be forthcoming.
2. Individuals are also responsible for communicating with their Financial Officer to ensure that a record of the expense is kept for the RYP's internal financial records. The Minister of Finance may contact the Financial Officer to confirm the legitimacy of the expense.
3. Receipts and invoices **must have the following information recorded** either directly on them or on an accompanying piece of paper:

RYP's name;

Who the cheque should be written out to;

What items were purchased;

The date the items were purchased;

The total amount including taxes.

RYPs may wish to adopt a policy requiring individuals to record more detailed information than is required by the Minister of Finance. In that case, the RYP should contact the Minister of Finance to negotiate a mutually convenient procedure.

4. Individuals should make photocopies of their receipts and invoices before forwarding them to the Minister of Finance in case their application for reimbursement gets lost in the mail.
5. Individuals may submit their applications for reimbursement via mail, at BCYP events or at RYP events. However, the Minister of Finance reserves the right to refuse hand delivered requests at certain events and ask those individuals to submit their receipts by mail or at the next event.
6. The minimum amount for which cheques will be issued is \$5.00. If a person's reimbursement request is less than \$5.00, the Minister of Finance will keep that request on file until the individual submits additional applications that bring the total amount requested above the \$5.00 minimum or until the end of the financial year, whichever comes first, at which time a cheque will be issued.
7. If an individual has lost a receipt, he or she should write a note explaining the details of the expense and the reason that there is no documentation, however **the Minister of Finance reserves the right to not reimburse expenses that do not have proper receipt or invoice documentation.**

Further information on reimbursement policies can be found in the *Report on Financial Policies*.

General RYP Account inflow: Regional Youth Parliament Carryover and Inactive Funds

At the end of every financial year, excess funds over \$500 held in a Regional Youth Parliament account shall be removed and placed in the General RYP account to ensure that each RYP's carryover is not in excess of \$500. In the event that an RYP has been inactive for two consecutive years, at the end of the second financial year all funds in the RYP's account will be transferred into the General RYP account.

At the end of every financial year, excess funds over \$1000 held in the General RYP account shall be reallocated to BCYP revenue at the discretion of the Minister of Finance to ensure that the General RYP account carryover is not in excess of \$1000.

General RYP Account outflow: new Initiate Parliaments, revival Initiate Parliaments, Returning Parliaments in financial crisis and the RYP Initiative Projects Fund

The purpose of the General RYP account is to provide financial support for Initiate Parliaments, that are either an entirely new RYP or a revival of a previously existing RYP, and for the RYP Initiatives Projects Fund.

The funding provided from the GRYPA is not intended to subsidize the entire cost of Session, but rather to assist in lowering the registration fee so that the RYP will be able to attract enough applicants. The registration fee will be calculated based on the

projected RPC expenses and projected size of the membership, to a figure deemed to be within the financial means of the majority of the membership.

Outflow of GRYPA: Initiate parliament

Criteria:

Money shall be given to an Initiate Parliament based on financial need as determined by the Minister of Finance.

Persons wishing to receive funding from the General RYP account must apply through the following procedures:

They must demonstrate to the Minister of Finance that there is a need for the financial assistance.

They must submit a Charter Application Budget to the Minister of Finance in order to determine the amount of money to be funded to the parliament.

Upon a successful review of the budget, a Charter application must be made to be reviewed by the RYPMC.

Outflow of GRYPA: revival Initiate Parliament

Criteria:

Revival Initiate Parliaments are those parliaments which have been inactive for two or more years, but which had carryover from the existing parliament that has since been moved into the GRYPA. These Parliaments are entitled to the carryover from the previous Parliament except under circumstances where it is not within the means of the GRYPA to do so. If in the event that the revival Parliament requires further financial assistance, than they must prove to the Minister of Finance that without the funding, their membership fees will be too high to attract enough members. Funding will only be granted in the event that it does not detract from the funding allocated to an Initiate Parliament or a revival Parliament without carryover.

Application Process:

Persons wishing to receive funding for a revival Parliament must notify the Minister of Finance. In the event that they need more funding from the GRYPA after getting back the “original money” than they must apply through the following procedures:

They must demonstrate to the Minister of Finance that there is a need for the financial assistance.

They must submit a Charter Application Budget to the Minister of Finance in order to determine the amount of money to be funded to the parliament.

Upon a successful review of the budget, a Charter application must be made to be reviewed by the RYPMC.

Outflow of GRYPA: returning Parliaments in financial crisis

Criteria:

Returning Parliaments in financial crisis are those parliaments that have previously been active, but which have no existing carryover and which without financial assistance from the GRYPA, will be unable to continue running an RYP.

Application Process:

They must demonstrate to the Minister of Finance that there is a need for the financial assistance.

They must submit a Charter Application Budget to the Minister of Finance in order to determine the amount of money to be funded to the parliament.

Upon a successful review of the budget, a Charter application must be made to be reviewed by the RYPMC.

If in the event a Charter application is granted and funding from the GRYPC has also been granted and the RYP is cancelled before session, then reimbursement maybe be granted by the Minister of Finance for non-refundable and necessary expenses incurred before the date of cancellation.

Outflow of GRYPA: RYP Initiative Projects Fund

The Initiative projects fund is a fund designed to provide funding in the amount of \$100.00 to a worthwhile Initiate Project that is in financial need. Guidelines for applying to this account can be found in the Tabled Report on RYP Initiate Projects.

Statement of Charterhood

By expressing a desire to expand the Youth Parliament movement in the North Shore region, and to facilitate the discussion of issues that are important the youth of the region, the North Shore Youth Parliament is hereby Chartered as an Unrestricted Regional Youth Parliament, in accordance with section 11 of the *Regional Youth Parliaments Act*, on the 20th day of February, 2009.

This Charter shall expire one year from the date of issue.

Ms Karen Ratchford
Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments
80th British Columbia Youth Parliament

Mr. Tyler Allison
Premier
80th British Columbia Youth Parliament

Mr. Jeff Wilson
Premier and Minister of Finance
18th North Shore Youth Parliament

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

of

North Shore Youth Parliament

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2009

The House met at 1833 hours.

OPENING CEREMONIES.

This being the first day of the First Session of the Eighteenth North Shore Youth Parliament for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of The Honourable Dora Turje, Lieutenant Governor, dated the 20th day of February, 2009, the Members took their seats, after having taken the prescribed oath and having signed the Parliamentary Roll.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the House, took Her seat on the Throne.

The Honourable *Naima Salemohammed* (Archives and Regional Secretary) said:

“MEMBERS OF THE YOUTH PARLIAMENT:

I am commanded by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor to announce that She does not see fit to declare the cause of Her summoning you at this time, and will not do so until you have chosen a Speaker to preside over your Honourable Body. Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor hopes to be able to declare during the evening Her reasons for calling you together.”

Her Honour then retired from the House.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance), and SECONDED by *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition) that the *Standing Orders of the Eighteenth North Shore Youth Parliament* be now adopted as the authority by which this House is governed.

CARRIED

ELECTION OF THE SPEAKER.

MOVED by *Kayla Briere* (Ambassador for Surrey), and SECONDED by *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that Mr. *Corrigan Cassidy*, Member for Colonel J.P. Fell Armoury, do take the Speaker's Chair and preside over the meetings of this Assembly.

CARRIED

Karen Ratchford, Clerk of the House, declared Mr. *Corrigan Cassidy* duly elected Speaker.

Mr. *Corrigan Cassidy* was chased out the door, around the building, through a hallway, and eventually dragged screaming into the room by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) and *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition) and conducted to the Chair where, standing on the upper step, he said:

“I beg to tender you, Members of this Youth Parliament, my sincere and hearty thanks for the high honour you have conferred on me by electing me as your Speaker. It will be my pleasure, as well as my duty, to deserve that honour by dealing with all questions which come before me with firmness and impartiality. I realize my unfitness for this position, but I rely upon the cooperation of all Honourable Members of this House to assist me in maintaining our rules and regulations, and in preserving the integrity and freedom of debate according to ancient usages.”

The Honourable Speaker then declared a short recess in order to robe. He returned robed and winded.

PRAYERS OR REFLECTIONS.

The Honourable Speaker then called upon the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) to lead the House in reflection.

READING OF THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER.

The Honourable Speaker then called upon the Clerk to read the Election Report of the Chief Returning Officer.

“Whereas it has been necessary to hold elections in all electoral districts of the North Shore;

I hereby certify that, from the returns received, the duly elected Members of the Eighteenth North Shore Youth Parliament are as follows:

ELECTORAL DISTRICT	ELECTED MEMBER
Cap U.....	Oriana Camporese
Cleveland Dam – Salmon Hatchery.....	Brian Chung
Colonel J.P. Fell Armoury.....	Corrigan Cassidy
Elphinstone.....	Dae Won Kim
Horseshoe Bay.....	Jio Park
Lynn Valley.....	Heliya Dizalji
Lighthouse Park.....	Naima Salemohammed

Lions Gate.....	Mack McCorkindale
Mosquito Creek.....	Sylvia O'Connor
Mount Seymour.....	Caitlin Kleaman
North-Vancouver Lonsdale.....	Jeff Wilson
Seymour Heights.....	Bahareh Jokar
Upper Levels.....	Andrew Tyau

Yours very truly,

Jillian Steger
Chief Returning Officer”

ORDERS TO THE CLERK.

The Honourable Speaker then said:

“TO THE CLERK OF THE YOUTH PARLIAMENT:

ORDERED: That the Election Report of the Chief Returning Officer of the results of the election of members be entered on the Journal of the House.

ORDERED: That the Votes and Proceedings of this House first be perused by the Speaker, and that he do approve and appoint the printing thereof, and no person print the same.

ORDERED: That Ms Oriana Camporese, Member for Cap U, be appointed Deputy Speaker for this Session of the North Shore Youth Parliament.”

The Honourable Speaker then said:

“Members of the Youth Parliament, Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor is about to enter the House.”

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the House, took Her seat on the throne.

The Honourable Speaker, standing immediately to the right of Her Honour, said:

“MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

The Members of the Youth Parliament have elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfill the important duties thus assigned to me. If in the performance of those duties I should at any time fall into error, I pray fault be imputed to me, and not to this House whose servant I am. May this House be better able to discharge their duties to the youth of the North Shore by being given all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have the freedom of speech in their debates, access to Your Honour’s person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from Your Honour the most favourable interpretation.”

The Honourable *Naima Salemohammed* (Archives and Regional Secretary) said:

“HONOURABLE SPEAKER:

I am commanded by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, to declare to you that She freely confides in the duty and attachment of the House to the Youth Parliament of the North Shore and not doubting that their respective proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper, and prudence, She grants and upon all occasions will recognize and allow their constitutional privileges.

I am commanded also to assure you that the House shall have ready access to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor upon all seasonable occasions, and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from Her the most favourable construction.”

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor then opened the First Session of the Eighteenth North Shore Youth Parliament by reading the following gracious speech:

“HONOURABLE SPEAKER, AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE,

It is my honour to welcome you all to the 18th annual North Shore Youth Parliament. Some of you are here because you like to learn about Parliament. Some of you are here because you like to give back to the community. And some of you are probably here because you want to meet other youth like yourself, but every one of you is here because you want to be.

Parliament is not just for adults anymore. At North Shore Youth Parliament, you will learn to debate legislation, the orders of the house, and great parliamentary trivia. Youth parliament is about serving other youth as well as the community. You will meet throughout the year to perform service projects and fundraisers. John W. Gardner once said: “Much education today is monumentally ineffective. All too often we are giving young people cut flowers when we should be teaching them to grow their own plants.” And this is true. I am proud to say that you are some of the few youth that grow their own garden. Take advantage of this and show the world what you can do.

There is a secret among Youth Parliamentarians in British Columbia. They keep it a secret because if anyone else knew, they would try to take it from you. Those of you who do not know the secret will find out soon during this session.

As the youth of today, and the members of the North Shore Youth Parliament, you have the responsibility to look upon situations with optimism. You are problem solvers, leaders, and parliamentarians. A great politician, Winston Churchill, said: “A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees an opportunity in every difficulty.” It takes a person of great strength to not look at the hardships and pain of a situation, so I am challenging you. When you do not understand, ask someone who does. If you want to write a motion, but need help to do so, ask someone who knows. And if you ever need anything, you have the best clerking staff and house leaders that you could ever ask for, in my professional opinion.

First you will see the Parliamentary Activities Act. The PAA is what outlines the activities of the year which you will uphold. This includes how many social, service, and fundraising activities there will be, and how many you must attend. Second you will debate upon the Ministerial Responsibilities Amendment Act. This is what pertains to the act that outlines the responsibilities of the ministers of the house. Third will be the North Shore Youth Parliament Amendment Act. This amendment act will update and modify the act which runs our government here in this lovely facility. Finally, you will discuss the supply act. The supply act is a little bit different than the others. You will find out more about that when you get to it, but the supply act is what dictates what your budget will be for the year.

And I would like to make a special note to the first years: right about now, you are probably wondering why you are here, but I promise, as will any returning member, that by Sunday, you won’t ever want to leave.

As for all the returning members, please help the new members as much as you can. If it weren’t for new members in your first year, you would still have no idea what to do.

With that, I wish you all the best and good luck too. Make the best of this weekend and you won’t regret it. I promise.”

Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor, then handed the *Speech from the Throne* to the Speaker and then, followed by the Honourable Speaker, retired from the House.

The Honourable Speaker then returned and said:

“In order to prevent mistakes, I have obtained a copy of Her Honour’s speech.”

PRO FORMA BILL.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that leave be granted to introduce a Bill intituled *An Act To Ensure The Supremacy of Parliament*, and that the same read a first time now.

The Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) said:

“This *Act to Ensure the Supremacy of Parliament* is an important part of our democratic process. The purpose of this Bill, and its introduction prior to consideration of the Throne Speech, is to perpetuate the established right of Parliament, through its elected representatives, to sit and act without leave from the Crown.

This Bill simply asserts the right of the Legislative Assembly to give precedence to matters other than those expressed by the Sovereign.

Introducing it at this point in the opening proceedings of this Legislative Assembly is a tradition that dates back to the reign of Elizabeth I when on March 20, 1603, Parliament first recorded this assertion of independence from the Crown for purposes of legislation.”

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General).

CARRIED

Bill introduced and read a first time.

GREETINGS, DISPATCHES, AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Verbal Greetings:

1. Ms Dora Turje, Lieutenant Governor of the 18th North Shore Youth Parliament.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that the Speech of Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor, be considered now and that this order have precedence over all business until disposed of.

CARRIED

DEBATE IN REPLY TO THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

MOVED by the Honourable *Naima Saleh Mohammed* (Archives and Regional Secretary), and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that a humble address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, as follows:

“TO HER HONOUR THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT:

We, Her Majesty’s most dutiful and loyal subjects, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has addressed to us at the opening of the present Session.”

A debate arose.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that the Deputy Premier be now heard.

The House divided on the motion, which was resolved as follows:

DEFEATED

YEAS-7

NAYS-8

The Speaker was forced to break the tie vote. He elected to vote against the motion by the Premier due to the fact that the Ambassador for Fort Langley was simply quicker to rise than the Deputy Premier.

Motion negatived.

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Naima Salemmohammed* (Archives and Regional Secretary).

CARRIED

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that the Committee of Supply be appointed for this Session of the North Shore Youth Parliament.

CARRIED

ROUTINE BUSINESS.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that a Bill entitled *Parliamentary Activities Act*, be introduced and read a first time now.

CARRIED

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for a second reading at a future sitting of the House.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that a Bill entitled *Ministerial Responsibilities Amendment Act, 2009*, be introduced and read a first time now.

CARRIED

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for a second reading at a future sitting of the House.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) and SECONDED by *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General),

RESOLUTION (NO. 1)

IN OPPOSITION TO "HUNKY" FIREMEN

WHEREAS lucky firemen don't actually fight fires, they just pose for a camera;

AND WHEREAS men everywhere feel threatened by said "hunks" and they will lose their wives and girlfriends (and in some cases, both) to them;

AND WHEREAS the Honourable Premier is much more gorgeous than any of said "firemen";

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament opposition to "hunky" firemen.
- 2 The Provincial Secretary communicate this position to the owner of www.LiveMuscleShow.com.

MOVED by *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition) and SECONDED by *Jio Park* (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) that WHEREAS clause #4, "and WHEREAS if you can't add them on Facebook, they don't actually exist", be struck.

CARRIED

Motion agreed to.

Debate resumed on the motion by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance).

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance), as amended:

RESOLUTION (NO. 1)

IN OPPOSITION TO "HUNKY" FIREMEN

WHEREAS they don't actually fight fires, they just pose for a camera;

AND WHEREAS men everywhere feel threatened by said “hunks” and they will lose their wives and girlfriends (and in some cases, both) to them;
 AND WHEREAS they are all womanizers. It’s not fair to women everywhere;
 AND WHEREAS the Honourable Premier is much more gorgeous than any of said “firemen”;
 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament opposition to “hunky” firemen.
- 2 The Provincial Secretary communicate this position to the owner of www.LiveMuscleShow.com.

DEFEATED

Motion negated.

MOVED by *Kayla Briere* (Ambassador for Surrey) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance),

**RESOLUTION (NO. 2)
 IN SUPPORT OF BANNING AXE BODY SPRAY**

WHEREAS Axe Body Spray is a danger to everyone’s health;
 AND WHEREAS despite Axe’s televised claims, it’s product does not in fact cause women to throw themselves at men in violent droves;
 AND WHEREAS it smells really, really bad;
 AND WHEREAS it makes males over-confident;
 AND WHEREAS it can be used as a weapon in chemical warfare.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports banning Axe body spray.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the most famous male on Earth, the President of the United States,
 - (b) the makers of Axe products, and
 - (c) the President of Wal-Mart.

A debate arose.

MOVED by *Elizabeth Samuels* (Ambassador for Vancouver #1) and SECONDED by *Peter Horton* (Ambassador for Fort Langley) that section 2, paragraph (a) be struck.

DEFEATED

Motion Negated.

Debate resumed on the motion by *Kayla Briere* (Ambassador for Surrey) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance).

MOVED by *Jio Park* (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) and SECONDED by *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition) that the third WHEREAS clause be struck.

DEFEATED

Motion agreed to.

Debate resumed on the motion by *Kayla Briere* (Ambassador for Surrey) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance).

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Minister of Finance) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Caitlin Kleaman* (Deputy Premier) that section 2 paragraph (d) be added to read:

- (d) the stock holders of Axe Body Spray.

CARRIED

Motion agreed to.

Debate resumed on the motion by *Kayla Briere* (Ambassador for Surrey) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance), as amended.

MOVED by *Peter Horton* (Ambassador for Fort Langley) and SECONDED by *Elizabeth Samuels* (Ambassador for Vancouver #1) that the second WHEREAS clause be struck.

DEFEATED

Motion negated.

Debate resumed on the motion by *Kayla Briere* (Ambassador for Surrey) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance), as amended.

Question put on motion by *Kayla Briere* (Ambassador for Surrey) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance), as amended:

**RESOLUTION (NO. 2)
IN SUPPORT OF BANNING AXE BODY SPRAY**

WHEREAS Axe Body Spray is a danger to everyone's health;

AND WHEREAS despite Axe's televised claims, it's product does not in fact cause women to throw themselves at men in violent droves;

AND WHEREAS it smells really, really bad;

AND WHEREAS it makes males over-confident;

AND WHEREAS it can be used as a weapon in chemical warfare.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the banishment of Axe body spray.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the most famous male on Earth, the President of the United States,
 - (b) the makers of Axe products,
 - (c) the President of Wal-Mart, and
 - (d) the stockholders of Axe Body Spray.

CARRIED

Resolution agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that the House adjourn until 0930 hours, Saturday, 21 February 2009.

CARRIED

And then the House adjourned at 2059 hours.

CORRIGAN CASSIDY
Speaker of the House

KAREN RATCHFORD
Chief Clerk of the House

2009 Legislative Session: 1st Session, 18th Parliament

No. 2

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

of

North Shore Youth Parliament

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2009

The House met at 0932 hours.

[Despite a sold showing from Government, Opposition wowed the Speaker with an impromptu interpretation of the climatic of Hamlet. The clerk questions if any of the members have actually read the play.]

ROUTINE BUSINESS.

PRAYERS OR REFLECTIONS.

Reflections by *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition).

GREETINGS, DISPATCHES, AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Verbal Greetings:

1. Karen Ratchford, Chair, Regional Planning Committee and Head Clerk of the 18th North Shore Youth Parliament.

Written Greetings:

1. Mr. Ralph Sulter, MLA for Vancouver-Capilano.
2. Ms Sasa Pudar, Minister of Camp Phoenix and Deputy Premier of British Columbia Youth Parliament.

TABLING OF DOCUMENTS.

Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) tabled the Financial Statements of the 16th Parliament.

Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) tabled the Report on Senate Legislative Review.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that a Bill intituled *North Shore Youth Parliament Amendment Act, 2009* be introduced and read a first time now.

CARRIED

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for a second reading at the next sitting of the House.

QUESTION PERIOD.

The House proceeded to a sixteen minute Question Period.

The Premier seems to be confused as to what constitutes flirting. For the record, being served food does not count.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

Second Reading of Bills.

MOVED by the Honourable *Caitlin Kleaman* (Deputy Premier and Service) that Bill (No. 2), *Parliamentary Activities Act*, be read a second time now.

A debate arose.

Question put on the motion on second reading by the Honourable *Caitlin Kleaman* (Service).

CARRIED

Bill read a second time and *Referred* to a Committee of the Whole House for consideration.

Committee Stage of Bills.

Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) called Committee of the Whole to debate Bill (No. 2).

The House in Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 2); Ms Oriana Camporese in the chair.

The House resumed, Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

The Committee rose and reported Bill (No. 2) complete with amendment.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for a third reading at a future sitting of the House.

Second Reading of Bills.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that Bill (No. 3), *Ministerial Responsibilities Amendment Act, 2009*, be read a second time now.

A debate arose.

Question put on the motion on second reading by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General).

CARRIED

Bill read a second time and *Referred* to a Committee of the Whole House for Consideration.

Committee Stage of Bills.

Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) called Committee of the Whole to debate Bill (No. 3).

The House in Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 3); Ms Oriana Camporese in the chair.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that the Standing Orders be suspended in order to allow the Minister of Service to lead the House in singing “The Penguin Song.”

CARRIED

Standing Orders suspended.

The House was joined by three clerks and the Speaker, all in their penguin suits. Much fun was had by all.

Standing Orders Resumed.

Committee Stage of Bills.

Debate resumed on Bill (No. 3) after a penguin tea.

The House resumed, Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

The Committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

ADJOURNMENT.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that the House adjourn until 1245 hours this afternoon.

CARRIED

And then the House adjourned at 1206 hours.

CORRIGAN CASSIDY
Speaker of the House

KAREN RATCHFORD
Chief Clerk of the House

2009 Legislative Session: 1st Session, 18th Parliament

No. 3

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

of

North Shore Youth Parliament

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2009

The House met at 1246 hours.

ROUTINE BUSINESS.

PRAYERS OR REFLECTIONS.

Reflections by the Honourable *Caitlin Kleaman* (Service and Deputy Premier).

GREETINGS, DISPATCHES, AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Verbal Greetings:

1. Mr. Tyler Allison, Premier of the 80th British Columbia Youth Parliament.
2. Ms Aliya Jiwa, Chief Transportation Officer of the 18th North Shore Youth Parliament.
3. Mr. Hardave Birk, Clerk Assistant and Member of the 80th British Columbia Youth Parliament.
4. Ms Oriana Camporese, Deputy Speaker of the 18th North Shore Youth Parliament.
5. Mr. Corrigan E. Cassidy, Speaker of the House of the 18th North Shore Youth Parliament.

Written Greetings:

1. His Worship Mr. Darrell Mussetto, Mayor of North Vancouver.

[The Speaker was forced to clear the gallery due to the heckling presence of the Premier of BCYP.]

TABLING OF DOCUMENTS.

Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) tabled the Budget Estimates of the 18th North Shore Youth Parliament

Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) rose to present the following Continuity Reports:

1. Premier of the 15th Parliament;
2. Leader of the Opposition of the 15th Parliament;
3. Deputy Premier of the 12th Parliament;
5. Attorney General of the 16th Parliament;
6. Minister of Communications of the 16th Parliament;
7. Minister of Finance of the 16th Parliament;
8. Minister of Archives of the 15th Parliament;
9. Minister of Service of the 16th Parliament;
10. Regional Secretary of the 15th Parliament.

Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) requested leave to table the Cup Trick: An Illustrated Guide.

LEAVE GRANTED

QUESTION PERIOD.

The House proceeded to a fifteen minute Question Period.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

Committee Stage of Bills.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) called Committee of the Whole to resume debate on Bill (No. 3).

The House in Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 3); Ms *Oriana Camporese* in the chair.

The House resumed, Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

The Committee rose and reported Bill (No. 3) complete with amendment.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for a third reading at the next sitting.

Second Reading of Bills.

MOVED by the Honourable *Caitlin Kleaman* (Service and Deputy Premier) that Bill (No. 4), *North Shore Youth Parliament Amendment Act, 2009*, be read a second time now.

A debate arose.

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Caitlin Kleaman* (Service and Deputy Premier).

CARRIED

Bill read a second time and *Referred* to a Committee of the Whole House for consideration.

Committee Stage of Bills.

The House in Committee of the Whole; Ms *Oriana Camporese* in the chair.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that the Standing Orders be suspended in order for each subparagraph of section 3(a) to be considered individually.

CARRIED

Standing Orders suspended.

[The House greatly deliberated the benefits of cocks but ultimately found them too problematic.]

Standing Orders resumed.

Committee Stage of Bills.

Debate resumed on Bill (No. 4).

The House resumed, Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

The Committee rose and reported Bill (No. 4) complete with amendment.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for a third reading at the next reading.

Ms *Oriana Camporese* in the Chair.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS.

MOVED by *Peter Horton* (Ambassador for Fort Langley) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition),

RESOLUTION (NO. 6)

IN SUPPORT OF EXTENDING AN INVITATION TO KARN SAFAYA AND HARDAVE BIRK TO BE THE OFFICIAL SPOKESPEOPLE OF THE 18TH NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT

WHEREAS Hardave Birk and Karn Safaya are both considered incredibly good-looking by 100% of clerks;

AND WHEREAS Hardave Birk and Karn Safaya are both considered to have impeccable public speaking ability by 100% of the clerks;

AND WHEREAS Hardave Birk and Karn Safaya are incredibly talented and can communicate the message of the North Shore Youth Parliament through many mediums including song, rap, and interpretive dance,

AND WHEREAS the membership of the North Shore Youth Parliament will grow with Hardave Birk and Karn Safaya as our representatives.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports Karn Safaya and Hardave Birk acting as its official spokespeople.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) Karn Safaya, and
 - (b) Hardave Birk.

A debate arose.

CALLED TO THE BAR.

MOVED by *Peter Horton* (Ambassador for Fort Langley) that Mr. Hardave Birk, Clerk Assistant, be called to the bar for the purpose of demonstrating his awesomeness.

CARRIED

Hardave Birk at the bar.

[Interpretive dance seems to be the key awesomeness, at least in this particular case.]

Hardave Birk dismissed from the bar.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that Mr. Karn Safaya, Clerk Assistant, be called to the bar for the purpose of being more awesome.

CARRIED

Karn Safaya at the bar.

[The "Music Expert" didn't disappoint with his rap skills, but the Clerk is now embarrassed to be seen in public with either of the two.]

Karn Safaya dismissed from the bar.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Question put on the motion by *Peter Horton* (Ambassador for Fort Langley) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition).

CARRIED

Resolution agreed to.

Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

MOVED by the Honourable *Sylvia O'Connor* (Communications) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance),

RESOLUTION (NO. 11)

IN SUPPORT OF BUILDING A BRIDGE FROM THE LOWER MAINLAND TO VANCOUVER ISLAND

WHEREAS it would provide an alternate route to Vancouver Island;

AND WHEREAS it will help alleviate ferry lineups because people have the option of driving;

AND WHEREAS the construction of the bridge will create jobs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports building a bridge from the Lower Mainland to Vancouver Island.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Premier of British Columbia,
 - (b) the CEO of British Columbia Ferries,
 - (c) the Minister of Infrastructure for British Columbia, and
 - (d) the Minister of Transportation for British Columbia.

A debate arose.

Question put on the motion by Honourable *Sylvia O'Connor* (Communications), and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance).

DEFEATED

Resolution negated.

MOVED by the Honourable *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition), and SECONDED by *Jio Park* (Deputy Leader of the Opposition),

RESOLUTION (NO. 7)

IN OPPOSITION TO SOCKS WITH SANDALS

WHEREAS socks are meant to be worn in shoes;

AND WHEREAS some consider socks with sandals to be a disgrace to fashion;

AND WHEREAS socks with sandals were considered a “not” by 78% of the readers of *Us Weekly*.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1** The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the banning of socks and sandals.
- 2** The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Premier of British Columbia,
 - (b) the Prime Minister of Canada, and
 - (c) the Fashion Industry.

A debate arose.

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition), and SECONDED by *Jio Park* (Deputy Leader of the Opposition).

DEFEATED

Resolution negatived.

ADJOURNMENT.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that the House adjourn until 1600 hours this afternoon.

CARRIED

And then the House adjourned at 1543 hours.

CORRIGAN CASSIDY
Speaker of the House

KAREN RATCHFORD
Chief Clerk of the House

2009 Legislative Session: 1st Session, 18th Parliament

No. 4

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

of

North Shore Youth Parliament

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2009

The House met at 1537 hours.

ROUTINE BUSINESS.

PRAYERS OR REFLECTIONS.

Reflections by *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition).

GREETINGS, DISPATCHES, AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Verbal Greetings.

1. Mr. Dave Wilson, Alumnus of British Columbia Youth Parliament
2. Mr. Karn Safaya, Clerk Assistant and Member of British Columbia Youth Parliament

Written Greetings.

1. Mr. Josh Hall, Member of British Columbia Youth Parliament.
2. Ms Katherine Whittred, MLA for North Vancouver-Lonsdale

QUESTION PERIOD.

The House proceeded to a fifteen minute Question Period.

The Honourable Premier had the unfortunate pleasure of being roasted in front of his parents. And for the record, Jeremy still has the AIDS he was given by Dora.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

Third Reading of Bills.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that Bill (No. 2), *Parliamentary Activities Act, 2009*, be read a third time now.

CARRIED

Bill read a third time and passed.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that Bill (No. 3), *Ministerial Responsibilities Amendment Act, 2009*, be read a third time now. A debate arose.

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General).

The House divided on the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 3), which was resolved as follows:

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SPEAKER'S RULING.

The Speaker cast the deciding vote during division on the motion by the Attorney General for third reading of the *Ministerial Responsibilities Amendment Act, 2009*. He expressed some serious concerns regarding the Ministry of the Sunshine Coast section of the Act. In particular, he explained that Ministries legislated in the *Ministerial Responsibilities Act* are, by convention, “must” ministries – that is to say, Ministries legislated in the *Ministerial Responsibilities Act* should be required to be used and thus should not be optional, Ministries of State excepted. The Speaker further explained that, in his judgment, exempting the proposed Minister of the Sunshine Coast from all requirements of the *Parliamentary Activities Act* would have some particularly devastating side effects with regard to oversight and accountability for the proposed Ministry.

The Speaker then noted that, while he had serious concerns about one particular section of the Act, he had no problems with the remainder. As such, he recorded a vote in favour of the motion by the Attorney General for third reading of the *Ministerial Responsibilities Amendment Act, 2009*.

Third Reading of Bills.

Bill read a third time and passed.

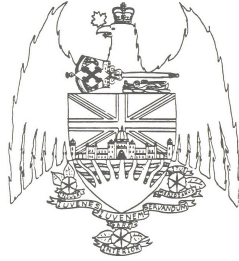
MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that Bill (No. 5), *North Shore Youth Parliament Amendment Act, 2009*, be read a third time now.

CARRIED

Bill read a third time and passed.

MESSAGE FROM THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) rose to present a message from Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor.



Honourable Dora Turje
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *Supply Act, 2009*, An Act for Granting Certain Sums of Money for the Purpose of Promoting the Work of the North Shore Youth Parliament from 22nd January 2009 to 30th September 2009.

Government House
North Vancouver, BC
21st February 2009

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that the bill accompanying the message be introduced and read a first time now.

CARRIED

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for a second reading in the current sitting.

Second Reading of Bills.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that Bill (No. 5), *Supply Act, 2009*, be read a second time now.

CARRIED

A debate arose.

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance).

CARRIED

Bill read a second time and passed.

FUNKY CATWALK MOTIONS.

MOVED by the Honourable *Sylvia O'Connor* (Communications) that leave be granted for the Minister of Finance to model his funky shoes on the catwalk.

LEAVE GRANTED

Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) modelled Moon Boots on the Parliamentary Catwalk to general approval.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

Committee Stage of Bills.

Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) called Committee of Supply to debate Bill (No. 5).

MOVED by *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition) and SECONDED by *Jio Park* (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) that the Speaker do now leave the Chair.

CARRIED

The House in Committee of Supply on Bill (No. 5); Ms *Oriana Camporese* in the chair.

The House resumed; Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

The Committee rose and reported Bill (No. 5) complete with amendment.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for a third reading at a future sitting of the House.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS.

MOVED by *Caitlin Kleaman* (Service and Deputy Premier), and SECONDED by *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance),

RESOLUTION (NO. 9)

IN SUPPORT OF ACHIEVING THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS

WHEREAS the Government of Canada has committed to achieving the Millennium Development Goals set forth by the United Nations;

AND WHEREAS the Millennium Development Goals cover goals to be achieved by 2015 on a multitude of topics including global poverty, environmental standards, and global conflicts;

AND WHEREAS the Millennium Development Goals affect the future of all people.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament is in support of achieving the Millennium Development Goals.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Prime Minister of Canada,
 - (b) the Premier of British Columbia,
 - (c) the Secretary General of the Security Council of the United Nations,
 - (d) the Director General of the General Assembly of the United Nations, and
 - (e) the Canadian diplomats in the United Nations.

A debate arose.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that Section 2 be amended by adding

- (e.1) the Directors of the Model United Nations organization on and around the North Shore.

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance), and SECONDED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General).

CARRIED

Motion agreed to.

Debate resumed on the motion by the Honourable *Caitlin Kleaman* (Service and Deputy Premier) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance), as amended.

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Caitlin Kleaman* (Service and Deputy Premier) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance), as amended,

RESOLUTION (NO. 9)
IN SUPPORT OF ACHIEVING THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS

WHEREAS the Government of Canada has committed to achieving the Millennium Development Goals set forth by the United Nations;

AND WHEREAS the Millennium Development Goals cover goals to be achieved by 2015 on a multitude of topics including global poverty, environmental standards, and global conflicts;

AND WHEREAS the Millennium Development Goals affect the future of all people.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament is in support of achieving the Millennium Development Goals.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Prime Minister of Canada,
 - (b) the Premier of British Columbia,
 - (c) the Secretary General of the Security Council of the United Nations,
 - (d) the Director General of the General Assembly of the United Nations,
 - (e) the Canadian diplomats in the United Nations, and
 - (e.1) the Directors of the Model United Nations organization on and around the North Shore.

CARRIED

Resolution agreed to.

MOVED by *Jio Park* (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) and SECONDED by *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition),

RESOLUTION (NO. 17)
IN SUPPORT OF NORTH SHORE HIGH SCHOOLS ADOPTING A COMPUTER-BASED EDUCATION SYSTEM

WHEREAS paper is used by teachers and students in the form of worksheets, notes, and assignments every hour of every school day;

AND WHEREAS many students use the computer daily for academic and personal purposes;

AND WHEREAS transfer of information can take place quickly and efficiently via the internet.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports North Shore high schools adopting a computer-based education system.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the British Columbia Teachers Association,
 - (b) the superintendent of West Vancouver and North Vancouver school districts, and
 - (c) the Minister of Education of British Columbia.

A debate arose.

Question put on the motion by *Jio Park* (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) and SECONDED by *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition).

CARRIED

Resolution agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that the House adjourn until 0930 hours on Sunday, February 22, 2009.

CARRIED

And then the House adjourned at 1901 hours.

CORRIGAN CASSIDY
Speaker of the House

KAREN RATCHFORD
Chief Clerk of the House

2009 Legislative Session: 1st Session, 18th Parliament

No. 5

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

of

North Shore Youth Parliament

Sunday, February 22, 2009

The House met at 0940 hours.

ROUTINE BUSINESS.

PRAYERS OR REFLECTIONS.

Reflections by *Peter Horton* (Ambassador for Fort Langley).

GREETINGS, DISPATCHES, AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Verbal Greetings:

- Ms Jillian Steger, Chief Returning Officer of 18th North Shore Youth Parliament.

Written Greetings:

- Her Worship Pamela Goldsmith-Jones, Mayor of District of West Vancouver.

QUESTION PERIOD.

CALLED TO THE BAR.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that Ms *Jillian Steger*, Chief Returning Officer, be called to the bar for the purpose of answering questions.

CARRIED

Jillian Steger at the bar.

Ms Steger answered questions regarding sexism and racism. Apparently *Question Periods* are getting more interesting.

Jillian Steger dismissed from the bar.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that the Standing Orders be suspended in order to allow questions to be directed to all Members of the House and Ambassadors.

CARRIED

Standing Orders suspended.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that the Standing Orders be suspended to extend Question Period for a further 15 minutes.

CARRIED

Standing Orders suspended.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that the Standing Orders be suspended to extend Question Period for a further 15 minutes.

OUT OF ORDER

Motion ruled out of order.

The House proceeded to a twenty-two minute Question Period.

Now both the Premier and the Speaker have been accused of being a Communist. The members of the House seem to think that "communism" is a communicable disease.

Standing Orders resumed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

Third Reading of Bills.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that Bill (No. 5), *Supply Act, 2009* be read a third time now.

CARRIED

Bill read a third time and passed.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS.

MOVED by the Honourable *Naima Salemhamed* (Archives and Regional Secretary), and SECONDED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General),

RESOLUTION (NO. 13)
IN SUPPORT OF BANNING THE SALE OF WATER BOTTLES IN SCHOOLS

WHEREAS water bottles take years to dissolve in landfills;

AND WHEREAS water is a necessity for people all around the world to survive;

AND WHEREAS plastic water bottles are known to cause cancer.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the banning of the sale of water bottles in schools.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Prime Minister of Canada, and
 - (b) the Premier of British Columbia.

A debate arose.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that section 2 be amended by adding paragraph

- (b.1) the Minister of Education of British Columbia.

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance), and SECONDED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General).

CARRIED

Motion agreed to.

Debate resumed on the motion by the Honourable *Naima Salemhamed* (Archives and Regional Secretary), and SECONDED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General), as amended.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that section 2 be amended by adding paragraph

- (b.2) the superintendents of school district #44 and #45 in British Columbia.

Question put on motion by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General).

CARRIED

Motion agreed to.

Debate resumed on the motion by the Honourable *Naima Salemhamed* (Archives and Regional Secretary), and SECONDED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General), as amended.

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Naima Saelmohamed* (Archives and Regional Secretary), and SECONDED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General), as amended,

RESOLUTION (NO. 13)
IN SUPPORT OF BANNING THE SALE OF WATER BOTTLES IN SCHOOLS

WHEREAS water bottles take years to dissolve in landfills;

AND WHEREAS water is a necessity for people all around the world to survive;

AND WHEREAS plastic water bottles are known to cause cancer.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the banning of the sale of water bottles in schools.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Prime Minister of Canada,
 - (b) the Premier of British Columbia,
 - (b.1) the Minister of Education of British Columbia, and
 - (b.2) the superintendents of school district #44 and #45 in British Columbia.

DEFEATED

Resolution negatived.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance),

RESOLUTION (NO. 5)
IN SUPPORT OF THE LEGALIZATION OF ALL NARCOTICS

WHEREAS gang violence is at an all time high;

AND WHEREAS legalizing narcotics would give the government control over production;

AND WHEREAS less people would be convicted and sent to jail for possession of drugs;

AND WHEREAS the usage of narcotics could be taxed and regulated.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the legalization of all narcotics.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Prime Minister of Canada,
 - (b) the Premier of British Columbia, and
 - (c) the Head of Hells Angels, Canada.

A debate arose.

The Ambassador for Fort Langley points out that Walnut Grove is spiraling in gangs, while referring to between 15-20 gangs, including the Knitting Grannies.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that the title of the resolution be amended by adding “in Canada” after “Narcotics”.

OUT OF ORDER

Motion ruled out of order.

Debate resumed on the motion by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance).

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance).

DEFEATED

Resolution defeated through a muddled yell of yeas or nays.

Resolution negatived.

MOVED by *Heliya Dizaji* (Critic of Communications) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition),

**RESOLUTION (NO. 8)
IN SUPPORT OF ESTABLISHING A HOLLYWOOD DAY**

WHEREAS celebrities work very hard to entertain the general public;

AND WHEREAS some would say many celebrities do not receive the recognition they deserve;

AND WHEREAS due to internet piracy many celebrities do not receive the pay they deserve.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the establishment of a “Hollywood” Day.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Premier of British Columbia, and
 - (b) the Prime Minister of Canada, and
 - (c) the Population of Canada.

A debate arose.

The house realizes the abbreviation of Critic of Communications (COC). Hilarity ensues. The SAA removes himself from the house for disruptive behaviour. The Speaker reads out notes from the Premier: “I <3 your eyes”, “Kudos on your hot bod”, and “I hope you get intoxicated.” The Speaker and the Clerks demonstrate “Awkward Turtle” and “Tranny”. The Speaker calls the Premier to his chair to “hug it out”. The Speaker fakes out the Premier and asks the SAA to remove the Premier from the house. The Premier runs away, his kilt flapping behind him.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) that the first whereas clause be struck.

OUT OF ORDER

Motion ruled out of order.

Debate resumed on the motion by *Heliya Dizaji* (Critic of Communications) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition).

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that the Standing Orders be suspended in order for the Premier to turn on an electronic device for an extravagant demonstration of a celebrity.

OUT OF ORDER

Motion ruled out of order.

Debate resumed on the motion by *Heliya Dizaji* (Critic of Communications) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition).

Question put on the motion by *Heliya Dizaji* (Critic of Communications) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition).

DEFEATED

Resolution negated.

MOVED by the Honourable *Caitlin Kleaman* (Service and Deputy Premier), and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance),

**RESOLUTION (NO. 14)
IN SUPPORT OF THE NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT INVADING EGYPT**

WHEREAS Egypt would be a good trading post for North Shore Youth Parliament;

AND WHEREAS the Pyramids are one of the Seven Wonders of the World;

AND WHEREAS North Shore Youth Parliament could use Egyptian cotton from Egypt to ensure we fulfill our dress code;

AND WHEREAS Egypt is hot like the Members of the North Shore Youth Parliament.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the invasion of Egypt.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Prime Minister of Canada,

- (b) the Premier of British Columbia, and
- (c) the ambassador for Canada to Egypt.

A debate arose.

The Speaker exclaims that Cabinet knows nothing about abbreviations as they refer to the Minister of Finance as “Mof” instead of the preferred “MinFin”. The Deputy Premier acknowledges that the undead can be dealt with.

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Caitlin Kleaman* (Service and Deputy Premier), and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance).

DEFEATED

YEAS – 3
NAYS – 5

Motion negatived.

MOVED by the Honourable *Naima Salemhamed* (Archives and Regional Secretary) and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance),

RESOLUTION (NO. 3)

IN SUPPORT OF EXTENDING AN INVITATION TO THE QUEEN AND THE ROYAL FAMILY (EXCLUDING PRINCE CHARLES I) TO THE 18TH NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT

WHEREAS we are Her Majesty’s most loyal servants and we should be able to express our recognition in person;

AND WHEREAS the Queen and the Royal Family have been absent from the Dominion of Canada for too many years.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports extending an invitation to the Queen and the Royal Family (excluding Prince Charles I).
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Queen and the Royal Family,
 - (b) the Prime Minister of Canada, and
 - (c) the Premier of British Columbia.

A debate arose.

Question put on the motion by the Honourable *Naima Salemhamed* (Archives and Regional Secretary), and SECONDED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance).

DEFEATED

Resolution negatived.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that the following Resolutions be printed in the Journal:

Resolution (No. 4) – In Support of Creating a Federal Drinking Age

Resolution (No. 10) – In Support of Creating a Memorial on the North Shore to the Lives of Commonwealth Soldiers that were lost During the Liri Valley Battles of World War II

Resolution (No. 12) – In Support of Making a National Appreciation Day for Perogies

Resolution (No. 15) – In Support of Uniforms in Public Schools

Resolution (No. 16) – In Support of High School’s Providing Free Red Bull for Students

CARRIED

Motion agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that the House adjourn until 1315 hours Sunday, 22 February, 2009.

CARRIED

And then the House adjourned at 1202 hours.

CORRIGAN CASSIDY
Speaker of the House

KAREN RATCHFORD
Chief Clerk of the House

2009 Legislative Session: 18th Parliament, 1st Session

No. 6

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

of

North Shore Youth Parliament

Sunday, February 21, 2009

The House met at 1315 hours.

ROUTINE BUSINESS.

PRAYERS OR REFLECTIONS.

Reflections by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance).

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

Resolution of Thanks.

MOVED by the Honourable *Jeff Wilson* (Premier and Finance), and SECONDED by *Brian Chung* (Leader of the Opposition):

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

WHEREAS there are many persons other than Members who have made valuable contributions to the success of the 18th North Shore Youth Parliament Session;

AND WHEREAS the Members of the North Shore Youth Parliament are deeply indebted to those persons for their contributions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THIS HOUSE COMMUNICATE ITS SINCEREST THANKS AND APPRECIATION TO:

- 1 Ms Sue Mitchell and the District of North Vancouver for the use of the Council Chambers, requisite rooms, services, and equipment.
- 2 Ms Dora Turje for acting as our Lieutenant Governor.
- 3 Mr. Jalal Seyedali for being patient and friendly, for arriving early, staying late, opening doors and keeping the North Shore Youth Parliament safe.
- 4 IKON Office Solutions and the District of North Vancouver for providing use of photocopying services free of charge, and Ms Sue Mitchell for ensuring that the photocopier is fabulous as always.
- 5 The Servants of the House:

Speaker of the House:	Mr. Corrigan Cassidy
Deputy Speaker:	Ms Oriana Camporese
Chair of the Regional Planning Committee:	Ms Karen Ratchford
Chief Returning Officer:	Ms Jillian Steger
Sessional Director:	Mr. Corrigan Cassidy
Chief Clerk of the House:	Ms Karen Ratchford
Clerks Assistant:	Ms Oriana Camporese
	Mr. Hardave Birk
	Mr. Karn Safaya
Sergeant-at-Arms:	Mr. Hardave Birk
Honourary Aide-de-Camp	Mr. Mini McWindows

- 6 The following people for bringing verbal greetings:
 - Mr. Tyler Allison, Premier of British Columbia Youth Parliament;
 - Mr. Hardave Birk, Clerk Assistant and Member of British Columbia Youth Parliament;
 - Mr. Corrigan Cassidy, Attorney General of British Columbia Youth Parliament;
 - Ms Oriana Camporese, Minister of Community Fundraising of British Columbia Youth Parliament;
 - Ms Aliya Jiwa, Minister of Service and the Lower Mainland of British Columbia Youth Parliament;
 - Ms Karen Ratchford, Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments of British Columbia Youth Parliament;
 - Ms Jillian Steger, Alumna of British Columbia Youth Parliament;
 - Ms Dora Turje, Registrar and Senator of British Columbia Youth Parliament;
 - Mr. Dave Wilson, Alumnus of British Columbia Youth Parliament.
- 7 The following people for sending written greetings:
 - Ms Sasa Pudar, Minister of Camp Phoenix and Deputy Premier of British Columbia Youth Parliament;
 - Her Worship Pamela Goldsmith-Jones, Mayor of District of West Vancouver;
 - Mr. Josh Hall, Member of British Columbia Youth Parliament;

His Worship Mr. Darrell Musetto, Mayor of North Vancouver;
Mr. Ralph Sulter, MLA for West Vancouver-Capilano;
Ms Catherine Whittred, MLA for North Vancouver-Lonsdale.

- 8 The Members of the Regional Planning Committee for helping make Session happen:
Ms Karen Ratchford, Chair of Regional Planning Committee;
Ms Jillian Steger, Chief Returning Officer;
Ms Caitlin Kleaman, Assistant Chief Returning Officer;
Mr. Jeff Wilson, Premier;
Mr. Brian Chung, Leader of the Opposition.
- 9 Ms Karen Ratchford, Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments and the Regional Youth Parliament Management Committee for overseeing the management of North Shore Youth Parliament, and for their continued support and guidance throughout the Sessional year.
- 10 The clerking team for creating a legit and grammatical journal.
- 11 Mr. Harry and Mrs. Suzanne Ratchford for providing the sites for the House Servant Sleep-Pool 2009.
- 12 Ms Karen Ratchford, Mr. Hardave Birk, Ms Oriana Camporese, and Mr. Karn Safaya for providing the Clerks with computers and other equipment.
- 13 Ms Susie Bowles, Minister of Finance of British Columbia Youth Parliament, for administering the finances of North Shore Youth Parliament.
- 14 Mr. Jeff Wilson and his excellent Cabinet.
- 15 Mr. Brian Chung for organizing a great Shadow Cabinet.
- 16 Simon Teh, manager of Subway, for donating the awesome cookies.
- 17 Salvation Army, Granville and 68th location, for providing the Clerk Assistant his baller shirt.
- 18 Surfthechannel.com for allowing the Head Clerk to watch her favourite television shows after the fact.
- 19 Tyler Allison for passing on his mind-reading Jones Soda bottle cap.
- 20 T-Pain and the Lonely Island for keeping the House Servants entertained with their tunes.
- 21 Any and all other individuals or groups who contributed to making this a successful Session.

Question put on the Resolution of Thanks.

CARRIED

Resolution agreed to.

RECESS.

MOVED by the Honourable *Mack McCorkindale* (Attorney General) that the House recess until 1445 hours.

CARRIED

The House recessed.

The House resumed, Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

PROROGATION CEREMONY.

The Honourable Speaker said:

“MEMBERS OF THE YOUTH PARLIAMENT:

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor is about to enter the House.”

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair –

ROYAL ASSENT.

The Honourable Speaker said:

“MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

The Eighteenth North Shore Youth Parliament has passed certain Acts to which the members respectfully request Your Honour’s assent.”

Karen Ratchford, Clerk of the House, read the titles to the following Acts:

Parliamentary Activities Act, 2009

Ministerial Responsibilities Amendment Act, 2009

North Shore Youth Parliament Amendment Act, 2009

Her Honour was pleased in Her Majesty's name to give assent to the said Acts.

The said assent was announced by *Karen Ratchford*, Clerk of the House, in the following words:

“In Her Majesty's name, Her Honour doth assent to these Acts.”

The Honourable Speaker said:

“MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, approach Your Honour at the close of our deliberations and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance Bill (No. 5), intituled *Supply Act, 2009*.”

Her Honour was pleased in Her Majesty's name to give assent to the said Act.

The said assent was announced by *Karen Ratchford*, Clerk of the House, in the following words:

“In Her Majesty's name, the Lieutenant Governor does thank Her Majesty's loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Act.”

Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor, then read the Prorogation Speech as follows:

PROROGATION SPEECH

“HONOURABLE SPEAKER, HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF THE 18TH NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT, AND HONOURABLE GUESTS,

It is my greatest honour to congratulate you on a wonderful weekend. You all debated the legislation and private members' resolutions with great enthusiasm. Many of you probably even learned something.

I challenged you at the beginning of session to ask someone if you didn't know how to do something, and most of you rose to, and beyond, that challenge. Not only did the returning members take charge and help the new members, but the new members brought in all new ideas and concepts to the debates.

I also told you that on Friday you would not know why you are here, but on Sunday you wouldn't want to leave. This I also think has come true as most of you seem to have had a wonderful time and now actually know what is going on.

As members of the North Shore Youth Parliament, your jobs have just begun. You will perform service activities and attend social events. You will fundraise and keep in touch with the ministers. When people walk out the doors of the house on Sunday, they get sad that it is all over. Well they are wrong. It has only just begun. It is time to take charge of the world, to help who you can and to do so with a smile on your face.

I am sure you have figured out what the secret is by now. If you have not yet figured it out. Here it is. You are not the leaders of tomorrow. You are the leaders of today. As members of your community, you need to show them that this is the case. You are the ones who will run this world, but you already should be doing your part. You are the gardeners. You are the leaders. You are the youth.

I have a new challenge for you now. I challenge you to show your community that you ARE the leaders. You ARE the gardener. Show the world you are.

Honourable members, I hereby relieve you of your legislative duties.”

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

Honourable *Naima Salemohammed* (Archives and Regional Secretary) said:

“HONOURABLE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT:

It is Her Honour's pleasure that this House be prorogued until it shall please Her Honour to summon the same for the dispatch of business and this Session of North Shore Youth Parliament is hereby prorogued accordingly.”

All rose and sang “*O Canada*” and “*God Save the Queen*”.

The Honourable Speaker then left the Chair and the House prorogued at or about 1455 hours.

CORRIGAN CASSIDY
Speaker of the House

KAREN RATCHFORD
Chief Clerk of the House

HARDAVE BIRK
Clerk Assistant

KARN SAFAYA
Clerk Assistant

KAREN RATCHFORD
Chair, Regional Planning Committee

JILLIAN STEGER
Chief Returning Officer

DORA TURJE
Lieutenant Governor

ORIANA CAMPORESE
Deputy Speaker

HONOURABLE MACK McCORKINDALE
ATTORNEY GENERAL

AN ACT TO ENSURE THE SUPREMACY OF PARLIAMENT

This *Act to Ensure the Supremacy of Parliament* is an important part of our democratic process. The purpose of this Bill, and its introduction prior to consideration of the Throne Speech, is to perpetuate the established right of Parliament, through its elected representatives, to sit and act without leave from the Crown.

This Bill simply asserts the right of the Legislative Assembly to give precedence to matters other than those expressed by the Sovereign.

Introducing it at this point in the opening proceedings of this Legislative Assembly is a tradition that dates back to the reign of Elizabeth I when on 22 March 1603; Parliament first recorded this assertion of independence from the Crown for purposes of legislation.

HONOURABLE CAITLIN KLEMAN
MINISTER OF SERVICE AND DEPUTY PREMIER

PARLIAMENTARY ACTIVITIES ACT, 2009

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HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of North Shore Youth Parliament, enacts as follows:

Principle

- 1 Each Member must participate in youth-oriented service projects to fulfill the aims of North Shore Youth Parliament.

Pledge of Service of North Shore Youth Parliament

- 2 The Members of North Shore Youth Parliament hereby pledge their services to the youth of the North Shore.

Post-Sessional activities

- 3 Following Session, the Minister of Service must organize at least
 - (a) one social event, and
 - (b) one service project.

Fundraising events

- 4 Fundraising events necessary to ensure that no deficit is incurred may be organized at the discretion of the Minister of Service, in consultation with the Minister of Finance and the Premier.

Dates, fees, and non-member attendance

- 5 The Minister of Service, in consultation with the Lieutenant Governor in Council, must determine
 - (a) the date of events,
 - (b) any fee the Members may be required to pay, which must not exceed 30 dollars per event, and
 - (c) the attendance of any non-Member having purpose to attend, provided they are sponsored by a Member, a House Servant, or an Ambassador.

Event notification

- 6 The Minister of Communications, in consultation with the Minister of Service and the Premier, is responsible for contacting Members, House Servants and Ambassadors regarding all social, educational and service events at least five days prior to the date of any planned event where possible.

Cancellation or postponement of events

- 7 In the event of the cancellation or postponement of an event, the Minister of Service must notify all Members, House Servants and Ambassadors as soon as possible prior to the date of the event.

Guiding principles of service projects

- 8 (1) Service projects must
 - (a) not promote any denominational, partisan, or political cause, and
 - (b) not include any form of lobbying or protest.

(2) Service projects may be organized in conjunction with other organizations, where appropriate.

Participation requirements

- 9 Each Member must participate in a minimum of one North Shore Youth Parliament events during the Sessional year, except in extenuating circumstances.

Sunset provision

- 10 This Act remains in force until the opening of the first Session of the Nineteenth North Shore Youth Parliament.

HONOURABLE MACK McCORKINDALE
ATTORNEY GENERAL

MINISTERIAL RESPONSIBILITIES AMENDMENT ACT, 2009

HER MAJESTY, by and with the consent of the Legislative Assembly of North Shore Youth Parliament, enacts as follows:

1 *Section 2 is amended by striking “the activities of their Ministries while the Assembly is in Session” and adding the following paragraphs:*

- (a) the activities of their Ministries while in Session, and
- (b) the duties of their Ministries passed by Parliament throughout the year.

2 *Section 4 is amended by*

(a) striking “storing” between “and” and “a” in subsection (2).

(b) subsection (3)(a) is repealed and replaced as follows:

- (a) The Minister of Archives is be responsible for maintaining the Archives for the duration of the Sessional year.
- (b) The Minister of Archives must include information including, but not limited to the following:
 - (i) photos from Session and post-Sessional activities,
 - (ii) outlines of Sessional proceedings, and
 - (iii) other information that may be interesting to the public.
- (c) These responsibilities may be waived if the North Shore Youth Parliament can not acquire the funds due to a restricted budget.

3 *Section 6(2) is amended by replacing “bimonthly” with “at least 3”.*

4 *Section 7(3) is struck and replaced with the following:*

- (3) The Deputy Premier, in consultation with the Lieutenant Governor in Council, shall be responsible for teaching:
 - (a) the Cup Trick,
 - (b) the Penguin Song, and
 - (c) other appropriate entertainment.

5 *Section 8 is amended by*

(a) striking “must” and replacing it with “shall” in subsection (5).

(b) striking subsection (6).

(c) striking “must” and replacing it with “shall” in subsection (7).

(d) replacing “a designation of Model status” with “no finances” in subsection (8.1).

6 *The Ministerial Responsibilities Act, 1997 (Revised 2008) is amended by adding the following section:*

Minister of the Sunshine Coast

- 10.1 (1) There may be a Ministry of the Sunshine Coast whose head shall be called Minister of the Sunshine Coast.
- (2) The appointed Minister must have a permanent residence on the Sunshine Coast.
- (3) The Minister of the Sunshine Coast is exempt from duties regarding events outlined in the Parliamentary Activities Act by the North Shore Youth Parliament.
- (4) The Minister of the Sunshine Coast must organize and execute a service project approved by
- (a) the Minister of Service
 - (b) the Premier, and
 - (c) the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments of British Columbia Youth Parliament.

- (5) The Minister may appoint Deputy Ministers who
- (a) must have a permanent residence on the Sunshine Coast,
 - (b) are exempt from the duties regarding events outlined in the Parliamentary Activities Act by the North Shore Youth Parliament, and
 - (c) must assist with and attend the activities created by the Minister of the Sunshine Coast.

7 *Section 13 is amended by adding the following subsection:*

- (1.1) In the case that a Minister is unable to fulfil his or her duties, any Member of the Lieutenant Governor in Council may perform their duties at the discretion of the Premier.

**MINISTERIAL RESPONSIBILITIES ACT, 1997
(CONSOLIDATED 2008)**

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An Act determining the Responsibilities and the Duties Pertaining to Cabinet Ministers of North Shore Youth Parliament.

WHEREAS the Premier requires a Cabinet in order to carry out the wishes of the Legislative Assembly;

THEREFORE, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of North Shore Youth Parliament, enacts as follows:

Definitions

- 1 In this Act “**Service**” means to serve the House and the community by planning post-sessional events and service projects throughout the year.

Cabinet Ministers Responsible to Legislative Assembly

- 2 Cabinet ministers shall be responsible to the Legislative Assembly for
 - (a) the activities of their Ministries while in Session, and
 - (b) the duties of their Ministries passed by Parliament throughout the year.

Duties of Cabinet Ministers and House Leaders

- 3
 - (1) Every Cabinet Minister or House Leader shall be responsible for the duties pertaining to him or her outlined in this act.
 - (2) Every Cabinet Minister or House Leader shall be responsible for educating and assisting new members with parliamentary procedure.

Archives

- 4
 - (1) There shall be a Ministry of Archives whose head shall be called the Minister of Archives.
 - (2) The Minister of Archives shall be responsible for maintaining a record and a copy of all legislation, amendments, Orders in Council, newsletters and resolutions, and any other documents pertaining to the proceedings of the North Shore Youth Parliament.

- (3) The Minister of Archives is responsible for
 - (a) maintaining the Archives for the duration of the Sessional year.
 - (b) The minister of Archives must include information including, but not limited to the following:
 - (i) photos from Session and post-Sessional activities,
 - (ii) outlines of Sessional proceedings, and
 - (iii) other information that may be interesting to the public.
 - (c) These responsibilities may be waived if the North Shore Youth Parliament can not acquire the funds due to a restricted budget.
- (4) The Minister of Archives shall also keep printed files, copies of which will be made available within a reasonable timeframe and arrangement upon request.
- (5) The Minister of Archives shall provide the subsequent Minister of Archives with all information pertinent to the continuation of, and addition to, the archive as an informative resource.
- (6) The Minister of Archives must keep records of the activities planned and carried out by the Minister of Service, in order to hold cabinet accountable for its service activities.
- (7) The Minister of Archives must keep a photographic record of session, to be available in the Digital Archive.

Attorney General

- 5 (1) There shall be a Ministry of the Attorney General whose head shall be called the Attorney General.
- (2) The *North Shore Youth Parliament Act* and the *Ministerial Responsibilities Act* shall be under the jurisdiction of the Attorney General.
- (3) The Attorney General shall be responsible for all Government-sponsored legislation and amendments.
- (4) The Attorney General must submit all proposed government legislation to the Deputy Speaker and to the Leader of the Opposition at least two weeks (fourteen days) before Session.
- (5) The Attorney General must table a report at the second sitting of Session on the Senate review of legislation of the previous Session including
 - (a) a list of any disallowed portions of Acts,
 - (b) an explanation of the original intent of any disallowed Act, and
 - (c) an explanation of the circumstances of the disallowance of any Act or portion thereof.
- (6) The Attorney General shall inspect and review all Private Member's Resolutions before they are forwarded to the Speaker for approval.
- (7) The Attorney General shall table at the Session any Orders in Council of the Lieutenant Governor in Council of the previous Session.

Communications

- 6 (1) There shall be a Ministry of Communications whose head shall be called the Minister of Communications.
- (2) The Minister of Communications must publish at least 3 e-mail digest compilations to all the Members and must publish one newsletter at Session.
- (3) The Minister of Communications must determine a deadline for submissions to each e-mail outside of Session and communicate this deadline to all Members at least two weeks before the deadline.
- (4) The Minister of Communications must have requested and received from the Members of the House, House Servants, and/or anyone else deemed appropriate, an adequate and aesthetically pleasing cover page for the Journal no later than the first sitting on the second day of Session
- (5) The Minister of Communications is responsible for providing each Member, Ambassador and House Servant of the current Session of North Shore Youth Parliament with all e-mails and hardcopies, where applicable.
- (6) The Minister of Communications shall be responsible for all communications between North Shore Youth Parliament and any other organizations including the media and other Regional Youth Parliaments.
- (7) The Minister of Communications is responsible for the production of informative mediums which shall

- (a) contain information regarding the purpose and activities of the North Shore Youth Parliament,
 - (b) be available to the community at large through either the digital archive or through direct contact with the Premier, and
 - (c) be updated on a regular basis.
- (8) The Minister of Communications shall be responsible for publicizing all parliamentary activities for the purpose of promoting North Shore Youth Parliament.
- (9) Minister of Communications must consult with the Regional Planning Committee and the Minister of Public Relations of British Columbia Youth Parliament before communicating with the general public or with organizations such as the media or corporations.

Deputy Premier

- 7 (1) There shall be a Ministry of the Deputy Premier whose head shall be called the Deputy Premier.
- (2) The Deputy Premier shall assist the Premier in fulfilling his or her specified duties as laid out in the *North Shore Youth Parliament Act*.
- (3) The Deputy Premier, in consultation with the Lieutenant Governor in Council, shall be responsible for teaching:
- (a) the Cup Trick,
 - (b) the Penguin Song, and
 - (c) other appropriate entertainment.
- (4) In the event of circumstances which prohibit the Premier from fulfilling his or her duties, the Deputy Premier shall act in his or her place until such a time as the Premier can resume his or her duties or an election can take place as provided for in the *North Shore Youth Parliament Act*.

Finance

- 8 (1) There shall be a Ministry of Finance whose head shall be called the Minister of Finance.
- (2) The Minister of Finance shall be responsible for the formulation of the *Supply Act* subject to the provisions of the Charter.
- (3) The Minister of Finance of British Columbia Youth Parliament shall be responsible for administering the finances of Parliament.
- (4) The Minister of Finance shall present to the House a written budget breakdown for all Ministries at least one sitting prior to the second reading of the *Supply Act*.
- (5) The Minister of Finance shall model some stylish footwear and matching outfit prior to the second reading of the *Supply Act*.
- (6) The Minister of Finance shall be responsible for keeping a set of financial records which shall be open to Members.
- (7) The Minister of Finance must submit all financial records to the Minister of Archives for storage in the archives.
- (8) The Minister of Finance shall present a written breakdown of all costs and expenditures of North Shore Youth Parliament to the Minister of Finance of British Columbia Youth Parliament.
- (9) In the event of no finances being assigned to North Shore Youth Parliament, the Minister of Finance
- (a) shall not be directly responsible for the finances of North Shore Youth Parliament, and
 - (b) shall be responsible for any North Shore Youth Parliament application to the Minister of Finance of British Columbia Youth Parliament for necessary funds for activities.

Regional Secretary

- 9 (1) There shall be a Ministry of the Regional Secretary whose head shall be called the Regional Secretary.
- (2) The Regional Secretary shall act as secretary to the Legislative Assembly.
- (3) The Regional Secretary shall be responsible for extending official invitations for guests to attend Sessions of North Shore Youth Parliament, or send written greetings thereto.

- (4) The Regional Secretary shall be responsible for any correspondence on behalf of the Legislature.
- (5) The Regional Secretary shall be responsible for distributing within the three weeks after Session letters of recognition to individuals whose names appear in the Resolution of Thanks.

Service

- 10 (1) There shall be a Ministry of Service whose head shall be called the Minister of Service.
- (2) The Minister of Service is responsible for the planning and executing of service projects and other events.
- (3) The Minister of Service must ensure that service events have optimum attendance by means of notifying Members a minimum of five days prior to events whenever possible.
- (4) The Minister of Service shall work in close collaboration with the Minister of Communications to ensure utmost awareness of and participation at planned events.
- (5) All post-session affairs must be approved by the Minister of Service, the Premier and the Leader of the Opposition of North Shore Youth Parliament and by the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments of British Columbia Youth Parliament.
- (6) The Minister of Service shall be responsible for the formulation of the Parliamentary Activities Act.

Minister of the Sunshine Coast

- 10.1 (1) There may be a Ministry of the Sunshine Coast whose head shall be called Minister of the Sunshine Coast.
- (2) The appointed Minister must have a permanent residence on the Sunshine Coast.
- (3) The Minister of the Sunshine Coast is exempt from duties regarding events outlined in the Parliamentary Activities Act by the North Shore Youth Parliament.
- (4) The Minister of the Sunshine Coast must organize and execute a service project approved by
 - (a) the Minister of Service
 - (b) the Premier, and
 - (c) the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments of British Columbia Youth Parliament.
- (5) The Minister may appoint Deputy Ministers who
 - (a) must have a permanent residence on the Sunshine Coast,
 - (b) are exempt from the duties regarding events outlined in the Parliamentary Activities Act by the North Shore Youth Parliament, and
 - (c) must assist with and attend the activities created by the Minister of the Sunshine Coast.

Ministers of State

- 11 (1) There may be one or more Ministries of State whose head must be called the Minister of State.
- (2) Ministers of State may be appointed to be responsible for either “designated purposes” or as an “undesigned” Minister, to aid a departmental Minister.
- (3) Ministries of State may be established and disbanded by the Lieutenant Governor in Council at the discretion of the Premier.
- (4) The Premier must table a report at Session detailing the duties and responsibilities of any Ministers of State which have been appointed.
- (5) In the event that a Minister of State is appointed after Session, the Premier must submit a report in the newsletter published by the Minister of Communications detailing the duties and responsibilities of the Minister of State.

Deputy Ministers

- 12 Cabinet Ministers in consultation with the Premier may appoint a Deputy Minister who must assist the Minister in fulfilling his or her duties subject to the following:
 - (a) upon appointment, the Deputy Minister must detail his or her responsibilities to the Ministry in the newsletter published by the Minister of Communications;

- (b) the Deputy Minister is responsible to the Minister; and
- (c) the Deputy Minister must, when requested by the Premier to do so, submit a written report on his or her duties.

Discretion of Premier

- 13 (1) Cabinet Members shall carry out the provisions of their ministries in consultation with the Premier, and all matters not covered by this act shall be at the discretion of the Premier.
- (1.1) In the case that a Minister is unable to fulfill his or her duties, any Member of the Lieutenant Governor in Council may perform their duties at the discretion of the Premier.

Cabinet Ministers to Report

- (2) All Members of Cabinet shall submit a report outlining developments within their respective ministries in addition to any other interesting information if doing so is necessary, to be published in e-mail digests published by the Minister of Communications after Session.

Continuity Reports

- 14 (1) There shall be a Continuity Report prepared in writing by the outgoing Leaders of the House and Cabinet Ministers for their successors.
- (2) This report shall be a detailed account of their policy and administration, shall include recommendations, and shall be submitted to their successors and the Premier by 10 February of that year.

Committees

- 15 Cabinet Ministers shall have the option of forming committees from Members of the Legislative Assembly to assist with the duties of the Minister.

Amendment

- 16 This Act, subject to the *North Shore Youth Parliament Act*, may only be amended by an Act of Parliament.

Commencement

- 17 This Act shall come into effect March 17, 1997.

HONOURABLE MACK McCORKINDALE
ATTORNEY GENERAL

NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT AMENDMENT ACT, 2009

HER MAJESTY, by and with the consent of the Legislative Assembly of North Shore Youth Parliament, enacts as follows:

- 1 **Section 7(f) is amended by striking “rousing” and replacing it with “motivational”.**
- 2 **Section 8 is amended by adding the following paragraph:**
 - (c.1) Ambassadors should not be accepted in place of Members.
- 3 **Section 11 is amended by**
 - (a) **striking subsection (2) and replacing it with the following:**
 - (2) There shall be a cockfight in the event of a tie in which
 - (a) each candidate chooses a cock,
 - (b) the event takes place in the venue’s parking lot, and
 - (c) the winning cock’s candidate becomes the victor of the election.
 - (3) In the event of there being no cocks present, the candidates must fight to the death.
 - (b) **striking “a plurality of” and replacing it with “the most” in subsection (6).**
- 4 **Section 13(a) be amended by striking “1 January to” and replacing it with “four weeks before Session until”.**
- 5 **Section 17 be amended by**
 - (a) **striking “by 1 January of the year of” and replacing it with “four weeks prior to” in subsection (1).**
 - (b) **striking “by 1 January of the year of” and replacing it with “four weeks prior to” in subsection (1)(a).**

**NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT ACT, 2003
(CONSOLIDATED 2008)**

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WHEREAS the British Columbia Youth Parliament deemed it expedient in 1987 to call together Parliament representing youth throughout various regions of British Columbia;

AND WHEREAS the young people of the North Shore shall utilize North Shore Youth Parliament to facilitate training and education in Parliamentary democracy, and to enable the undertaking of projects to promote the mental physical, spiritual and social well-being of the youth of the North Shore;

AND WHEREAS it is now expedient that the rules and regulations for the conduct and organization of said Parliament be set forth;

THEREFORE Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of North Shore Youth Parliament, enacts as follows:

Name of Parliament

- 1 The name of this Parliament shall be North Shore Youth Parliament.

Definitions

- 2 In this Act:
 - (a) “**Ambassador**” refers to any individual from another youth organization who attends Parliament’s activities in an official capacity;
 - (b) “**Cabinet**” refers to the collection of individuals elected by the House or appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and authorized to exercise the power of the Lieutenant Governor;
 - (c) “**Candidate**” refers to an individual who is nominated for election as Premier or Leader of the Opposition;
 - (d) “**Deputy Leader of the Opposition**” refers to the individual appointed by the Leader of the Opposition to assist in his or her duties;

- (e) “**Deputy Speaker**” refers to the individual who presides over the Committees of the Whole and Supply or in the absence of the Speaker;
- (f) “**Electoral Candidate**” refers to an individual who has been nominated, or is seeking nomination for election as a Member of North Shore Youth Parliament and has not been a Member of the previous Session;
- (g) “**House Leader(s)**” refers to the Premier and/or the Leader of the Opposition;
- (h) “**Leader of the Opposition**” refers to the elected returning Member who is the executive head of Shadow Cabinet;
- (i) “**Legislative Assembly**” refers to the body of elected Members that has the authority to pass North Shore Youth Parliament legislation;
- (j) “**Legislature**” refers to the Legislative Assembly and the Lieutenant Governor;
- (k) “**Lieutenant Governor**” refers to the individual who derives his or her authority from Her Majesty. This authority is used to open and prorogue the Parliament and to grant Royal Assent to all legislation passed by the Parliament;
- (l) “**Members**” refers to the individuals who have been selected to participate in North Shore Youth Parliament, who have signed the Oath of the Lieutenant Governor, and who may be avid ice hockey fans;
- (m) “**Oath of Office**” refers to an oath reading: “As the _____ (name of position) of the _____ (number of Session) North Shore Youth Parliament, I promise that I shall, to the best of my ability, carry out the duties entrusted to me by the Legislative Assembly”;
- (n) “**Oath of the Lieutenant Governor**” refers to an oath reading: “I hereby promise that I shall do all in my power to further the mental, physical, and social development of the Youth of the North Shore”;
- (o) “**Order in Council**” refers to a regulation issued by Cabinet, having full force of legislation, which amends any piece of legislation authorized by the Legislative Assembly;
- (p) “**Premier**” refers to the executive head of the Legislature;
- (q) “**Regional Planning Committee**” refers to the appointed committee whose responsibilities include cooperating with, assisting, and advising the Premier and Cabinet on Sessional matters;
- (r) “**Rousing Rendition**” refers to when Members most jovially and spiritedly collaborate in any traditional event such as the cup trick or the penguin song and dance;
- (s) “**Senate**” refers to the Lieutenant Governor in Council of the current Session of the British Columbia Youth Parliament;
- (t) “**Shadow Cabinet**” refers to a collection of individuals who will critique legislation under the leadership of the Leader of the Opposition and shall attempt to amuse the House by means of clever bantering and witty interjections;
- (u) “**Speaker**” refers to the chairperson elected by the Parliament to preside over the Legislative Assembly and its proceedings, as is outlined in the Standing Orders;
- (v) “**Standing Orders**” refers to the rules of Parliamentary Procedure under which the House is run.

Composition of Youth Parliament

- 3 North Shore Youth Parliament shall consist of a Lieutenant Governor, a Senate, and a Legislative Assembly.

Pre-Sessional Information

- 4 (1) The Regional Planning Committee must distribute the following pre-sessional information to each accepted Electoral Candidate, returning Member, Senator, Ambassador, and House Servant of the current Session:
- (a) a copy of the most recent Standing Orders;
 - (b) any Private Member’s Resolutions which have been submitted to and approved by the Attorney General;
 - (c) a Parliamentary Handbook to be published by the Regional Planning Committee.
- (2) The Regional Planning Committee should, where possible, distribute any of the following additional pre-sessional information to each accepted Electoral Candidate, returning Member, Senator, Ambassador, and House Servant of the current Session:
- (a) a copy of both of the North Shore Youth Parliament Act and the Ministerial Responsibilities Act;
 - (b) all proposed government legislation, with the sole exception of the *Supply Act*;
 - (c) a pre-sessional newsletter, if one has been published by cabinet;

- (d) any pertinent information regarding social events during session.

Pre-Sessional Orientation

- 5 (1) There shall be a pre-sessional meeting organized by the House Leaders to be held at least one week before the Session where practicable.
- (2) The purpose of the pre-sessional meeting shall be to familiarize Members with pertinent information regarding the purpose and activities of North Shore Youth Parliament, develop their Parliamentary skills, and give new Members an opportunity to meet fellow Members from the upcoming Session.
- (3) The House Leaders must notify Members of the pre-sessional meeting at least one week in advance where possible.
- (4) The Members shall learn and perform “Cup Trick” at the pre-Sessional.

General Sessional Procedures

- 6 (1) There shall not be more than thirty Members, which must include one Member from each area of the North Shore, where possible, elected to the Legislative Assembly.
- (2) Any variance in the thirty member limit shall be at the discretion of the Regional Planning Committee.
- (3) Any Act passed by North Shore Youth Parliament shall be subject to the approval of the Senate.

Qualification and Nomination of Members

- 7 To qualify as a Member of the Legislative Assembly, an individual must
- (a) have attained his or her fourteenth birthday, but not his or her nineteenth birthday as of 31 December of the year of the current Session,
 - (b) have resided or attended school within the North Shore Youth Parliament region for the four months prior to Session,
 - (c) be sponsored by a school or organization approved by the Regional Planning Committee,
 - (d) pay a registration fee, as set by the Minister of Finance of British Columbia Youth Parliament in consultation with the Regional Planning Committee and the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments of British Columbia Youth Parliament,
 - (e) take the Oath of the Lieutenant Governor prior to taking his or her seat in Parliament, and
 - (f) partake in a rousing rendition of the “Cup Trick and the Penguin song” led by the Premier and Cabinet on the third day of Session.

Ambassadors

- 8 Ambassadors from other youth organizations may be invited to attend a Session of Parliament subject to the following conditions:
- (a) Ambassadors have full debating privileges including the right to submit Private Members’ Resolutions;
 - (b) Ambassadors have the right to vote and make motions on all matters except on legislation and House leader elections;
 - (c) Ambassadors must pay a registration fee as set out by the Regional Planning Committee.
- (c.1) Ambassadors should not be accepted in place of Members.

Regional Planning Committee

- 9 (1) The Regional Planning Committee must include
- (a) a chairperson appointed by the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments of British Columbia Youth Parliament,
 - (b) a Chief Returning Officer, responsible for the recruitment of Members and administration of nominations,
 - (c) the House Leaders-elect of the upcoming Session of North Shore Youth Parliament, and
 - (d) at least one member of Senate.
- (2) Nomination forms shall be distributed by the Regional Planning Committee no later than five weeks prior to the date that the Session is being held.
- (3) Nomination forms must be distributed to all Members qualified for re-election.

- (4) Electoral candidates and returning Members shall be nominated by three individuals from the sponsoring organization, who shall sign the nomination form.
- (5) Nomination forms, duly signed, must be returned to the Regional Planning Committee no later than the specified date chosen by the Regional Planning Committee.
- (6) Acceptance of late nominations shall be at the discretion of the Regional Planning Committee.

Election of Members

- 10** (1) If thirty or fewer individuals have been nominated to Parliament, the Regional Planning Committee shall declare all Electoral Candidates elected by acclamation, except those nominees not approved by the Committee.
- (2) If more than thirty Electoral Candidates and Members have been nominated for Parliament, the Regional Planning Committee shall determine the criteria deemed most fair and expedient to be utilized in determining the election of Electoral Candidates and Members to Parliament, so as to bring the number of elected Members to thirty.

Election of House Leaders

- 11** (1) There will be separate elections to be held on the last day of the Session that will elect members for the position of Premier and Leader of the Opposition for the following Session..
- (2) There shall be an Electoral Officer appointed by the Premier who must
 - (a) be a Member,
 - (b) not run for any office,
 - (c) not nominate any Candidate, make any nomination speeches, nor exhibit partiality towards any Candidate,
 - (d) not vote, except to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie, and
 - (e) be present during the tabulation of the election votes.
- (3) To qualify as a Candidate, an individual must be
 - (a) a Member of the current Session of North Shore Youth Parliament,
 - (b) qualified to be a Member during the Session at which he or she will serve if elected,
 - (c) nominated by at least three Members.
- (4) Candidates must submit a résumé to be distributed at the discretion of the Head Clerk.
- (5) Each Candidate may have one nominator who will speak for a maximum of two minutes before the candidate's speech, which may be a maximum of three minutes in length.
- (6) The candidates who receive a plurality of votes shall be declared the Premier-elect and Leader of the Opposition-elect in their respective categories.
- (7) The names of the House leaders-elect shall be entered into the Journal along with the names of all past Premiers, Leaders of the Opposition, Speakers and Lieutenant Governors.
- (8) House Leaders may not serve in the same position two consecutive times.

Role of the Premier

- 12** (1) The Premier
 - (a) holds office from 1 January to 31 December of the year of the current Session,
 - (b) must coordinate his or her Ministers' actions in accordance with the wishes of the Legislative Assembly,
 - (c) will supervise and oversee the carrying out of the Ministers' duties which are outlined in the Ministerial Responsibilities Act, and ensure that they are fulfilled.
 - (d) must ensure that Members behave according to the North Shore Youth Parliament Act,
 - (e) shall also act as the Legislative Assembly's representative to the Senate, and
 - (f) shall lead the Members in a rousing rendition of the "Cup Trick and the Penguin song" on the third day of Session with the Member elected as Deputy Premier.

Role of the Leader of the Opposition

- 13** The Leader of the Opposition shall

- (a) hold office from four weeks before Session until 31 December of the year of the current Session,
- (b) endeavour to ensure that the legislation presented by Cabinet is of a satisfactory quality,
- (c) urge the Ministers to justify their actions and expenditures,
- (d) initiate debate in the House and Committee, and
- (e) appoint a Shadow Cabinet at least two weeks prior to Session, where possible, and coordinate their actions.

House Leader Review

- 14** (1) A review of a House Leader may take place at a Cabinet meeting, in which it may be deemed that they are unfit for their position.
- (2) This review may take place only if all Cabinet Ministers or their proxies are present.

Production of Journal

- 15** (1) A Sessional Journal shall be compiled to be distributed to all Members and other interested persons.
- (2) The Journal shall contain the following:
- (a) background information which must include the North Shore Youth Parliament Charter Package;
 - (b) the Votes and Proceedings of the House;
 - (c) all Acts and Private Members' Resolutions considered by the House;
 - (d) all tabled reports;
 - (e) all Members', House Servants', and Senators' addresses and telephone numbers;
 - (f) any other pertinent material at the discretion of the Premier in consultation with the Head Clerk.

Appointments

- 16** The following appointments shall be made by the Regional Planning Committee, in consultation with the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments of British Columbia Youth Parliament:
- (a) the Lieutenant Governor;
 - (b) the Speaker of the House;
 - (c) the Deputy Speaker of the Session;
 - (d) a Sessional Director, who will have attained his or her twenty-first birthday at least two weeks prior to Session;
 - (e) a Chief Clerk;
 - (f) a Sergeant-At-Arms.

Cabinet

- 17** (1) The Premier must appoint a Cabinet by four weeks prior to the current Session, where possible, who:
- (a) must hold office from four weeks prior to the current Session,
 - (b) must be directly responsible to the Premier, and
 - (c) must lead a rousing rendition of the “Cup Trick and the Penguin song” on the third day of Session.
- (2) After the Prorogation of the House, Cabinet shall
- (a) act on behalf of the whole House,
 - (b) have the power to act on matters not defined in the legislation passed by Parliament, provided that these actions remain within the scope of the existing legislation,
 - (c) be empowered to amend minor provisions of the legislation of the Legislative Assembly, as long as the change is within the scope and intent of the existing legislation,
 - (d) be permitted to issue Orders in Council subject to the agreement of at least eighty percent of the entire eligible voting Membership of Cabinet, and
 - (e) duly record and publish any motions passed as outlined in paragraphs (c) and (d) above.

Cabinet Meetings

- 18** (1) There shall be at least one Cabinet meeting called by the Premier.
- (2) The Premier must notify Cabinet ahead of time and ensure maximum attendance.

- (3) The Premier, or a Cabinet Minister of his or her choice, must chair Cabinet meetings.
- (4) The Chairperson must not vote, except in the event of a tie vote.
- (5) Eligible voting of Cabinet shall include the following:
 - (a) the Premier;
 - (b) each Minister of the Crown;
 - (c) after the prorogation of the House,
 - (i) the Leader of the Opposition, and
 - (ii) the Deputy Leader of the Opposition.
- (6) Members of Cabinet who are unable to attend a Cabinet meeting may
 - (a) express opinions and cast a vote on a specific issue in written communication to the meeting through the Chairperson, or
 - (b) appoint a proxy, in consultation with the premier, to speak and vote on their behalf.
- (7) Proxies shall be Members of the current Session of North Shore Youth Parliament.
- (8) The presence of at least two thirds of the Members of Cabinet or their proxies shall be the necessary quorum to constitute a meeting of the Cabinet for the exercise of power.

Oath of Office

- 19** Each House Leader and Minister of the Crown must take the Oath of Office, in addition to the Oath of the Lieutenant Governor.

Matters Not Covered in this Act

- 20** All matters not covered in the provisions of this Act shall be at the discretion of the Premier, in consultation with Senate and Cabinet.

Repeal of Previous Legislation

- 21** This Act repeals the *North Shore Youth Parliament Act, 1997*.

Commencement

- 22** This Act shall come into force on 3 March, 2003.

HONOURABLE JEFF WILSON
PREMIER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE

SUPPLY ACT, 2009

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An Act for Granting Certain Funds for the Purpose of Endorsing the Undertakings of North Shore Youth Parliament.

Preamble

WHEREAS it appears by Message from the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor and the Estimates accompanying the Message that provision is required to defray certain expenses of North Shore Youth Parliament, and for other purposes connected with the legislated activities, for the financial year ending September 30, 2009;

THEREFORE HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of Legislative Assembly of North Shore Youth Parliament enacts as follows:

Voted expenses appropriation

- 1 From the sums to be raised there may be paid and applied in the manner and at the times the government may determine the sum of \$195.60 as set forth in the Schedule to this act, towards defraying the charges and expenses of North Shore Youth Parliament for the financial year ending September 30, 2009.

Additional expenses

- 2 (1) The Minister of Finance, in consultation with the Lieutenant Governor in Council and the Senate, must determine commitment for and payment of reimbursements not exceeding the amounts specified in section 1 by more than 20 percent.
- (2) Additional expenditures may be authorized by an Order in Council.

Ways and means

- 3 The Minister of Finance is responsible for pursuing means of fundraising and instituting the said methods, and accepting grants from the Regional Planning Committee.

Application for Reimbursement

- 4 (1) Any Member seeking reimbursement must forward the necessary receipts or invoices directly to the Minister of Finance of British Columbia Youth Parliament.
- (2) If a Member has misplaced a receipt or invoice, he or she must provide the Minister of Finance of British Columbia Youth Parliament with a written description of the expense and an explanation as to the lack of appropriate documentation.
- (3) In accordance with Canada Revenue Agency regulations, a Member that has misplaced a receipt may not be reimbursed.

Account administration

5 British Columbia Youth Parliament must administer the finances of North Shore Youth Parliament.

Financial year-end

6 The financial year-end of the 18th North Shore Youth Parliament is September 30, 2009.

Authorization of Nineteenth Parliament expenses

7 Expenditures necessary for the 19th Parliament after September 30, 2009 are hereby authorized.

Tabling of financial statement

8 The Minister of Finance must table a financial statement at the second sitting of the First Session of the 19th Parliament.

Administration of this Act

9 The Minister of Finance, in consultation with the Regional Planning Committee, is responsible for the provisions of the Act, and for all other financial administration and concerns not cited in this Act.

Sunset provision

10 This Act expires upon the opening of the First Session of the 19th North Shore Youth Parliament.

ESTIMATES OF THE 18TH NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT

Premier

Leg Weekend	\$95.60
Formal Attire	\$50.40

TOTAL	\$146.00
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Service

Supplies	\$100.00
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TOTAL	\$100.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES

\$246.00

REVISED ESTIMATES OF THE 18TH NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT**Premier**

Leg Weekend \$95.60

TOTAL \$95.60

Service

Supplies \$100.00

TOTAL \$100.00

TOTAL EXPENSES

\$195.60

HONOURABLE JEFF WILSON
PREMIER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE

RESOLUTION (NO. 1)
IN OPPOSITION TO “HUNKY” FIREMEN

WHEREAS hunky firemen don't actually fight fires, they just pose for a camera;

AND WHEREAS men everywhere feel threatened by said “hunks” and fear that they will lose their wives and girlfriends (and in some cases, both) to them;

AND WHEREAS the Honourable Premier is much more gorgeous than any of said “firemen”;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament opposes “hunky” firemen.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to the owner of www.LiveMuscleShow.com.

DEFEATED

KAYLA BRIERE
AMBASSADOR FOR SURREY

RESOLUTION (NO. 2)
IN SUPPORT OF BANNING AXE BODY SPRAY

WHEREAS Axe Body Spray is a danger to everyone's health;

AND WHEREAS despite Axe's televised claims, its product does not in fact cause women to throw themselves at men in violent droves;

AND WHEREAS it smells really, really bad;

AND WHEREAS it makes males over-confident;

AND WHEREAS it can be used as a weapon in chemical warfare.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports banishing Axe Body Spray.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) Barack Obama, the President of the United States,
 - (b) the Board of Governors of Axe products,
 - (c) the President of Wal-Mart, and
 - (d) the stockholders of Axe Body Spray.

CARRIED

HONOURABLE NAIMA SALEMOMHAMMED
REGIONAL SECRETARY

RESOLUTION (NO. 3)**IN SUPPORT OF EXTENDING AN INVITATION TO THE QUEEN AND THE ROYAL FAMILY
(EXCLUDING PRINCE CHARLES I) TO THE 18TH NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT**

WHEREAS we are Her Majesty's most loyal servants and we should be able to express our recognition in person;
AND WHEREAS the Queen and the Royal Family have been absent from the Dominion of Canada for too many years.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports extending an invitation to the Queen and the Royal Family (excluding Prince Charles I).
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Queen and the Royal Family,
 - (b) the Prime Minister of Canada, and
 - (c) the Premier of British Columbia.

DEFEATED

HONOURABLE JEFF WILSON
PREMIER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE

RESOLUTION (NO. 4)**IN SUPPORT OF CREATING A FEDERAL DRINKING AGE**

WHEREAS a federal drinking age would create consistency across the provinces;
AND WHEREAS airlines would now have a standardized drinking age;
AND WHEREAS tourists and travelers would know the legal age when traveling between provinces.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports introducing a federal drinking age.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) The Prime Minister of Canada, and
 - (b) The Premier of British Columbia.

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HONOURABLE MACK McCORKINDALE
ATTORNEY GENERAL

RESOLUTION (No. 5)
IN SUPPORT OF THE LEGALIZATION OF ALL NARCOTICS

WHEREAS gang violence is at an all time high;
AND WHEREAS legalizing narcotics would give the government control over production;
AND WHEREAS less people would be convicted and sent to jail for possession of drugs;
AND WHEREAS the usage of narcotics could be taxed and regulated.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the legalization of all narcotics.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Prime Minister of Canada,
 - (b) the Premier of British Columbia, and
 - (c) the Head of Hells Angels, Canada.

DEFEATED

PETER HORTON
AMBASSADOR FOR FORT LANGLEY

RESOLUTION (No. 6)
**IN SUPPORT OF EXTENDING AN INVITATION TO KARN SAFAYA AND HARDAVE BIRK TO BE
THE OFFICIAL SPOKESPEOPLE OF THE 18TH NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT**

WHEREAS Hardave Birk and Karn Safaya are both considered incredibly good-looking by 100% of clerks;
AND WHEREAS Hardave Birk and Karn Safaya are both considered to have impeccable public speaking ability by 100% of the clerks;
AND WHEREAS Hardave Birk and Karn Safaya are incredibly talented and can communicate the message of the North Shore Youth Parliament through many mediums including song, rap, and interpretive dance,
AND WHEREAS the membership of the North Shore Youth Parliament will grow with Hardave Birk and Karn Safaya as our representatives.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports Karn Safaya and Hardave Birk acting as its official spokespeople.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) Karn Safaya, and
 - (b) Hardave Birk.

CARRIED

HONOURABLE BRIAN CHUNG

LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION AND CRITIC OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

RESOLUTION (NO. 7)
IN OPPOSITION TO SOCKS WITH SANDALS

WHEREAS socks are meant to be worn in shoes;

AND WHEREAS some consider socks with sandals to be a disgrace to fashion;

AND WHEREAS socks with sandals were considered a “not” by 78% of the readers of *Us Weekly*.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the ban of socks and sandals.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Premier of British Columbia,
 - (b) the Prime Minister of Canada, and
 - (c) the Fashion Industry.

DEFEATED

HELIYA DIZAJI

CRITIC FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND REGIONAL SECRETARY

RESOLUTION (NO. 8)
IN SUPPORT OF ESTABLISHING A HOLLYWOOD DAY

WHEREAS celebrities work very hard to entertain the general public;

AND WHEREAS some would say many celebrities do not receive the recognition they deserve;

AND WHEREAS due to internet piracy many celebrities do not receive the pay they deserve.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the establishment of a “Hollywood” Day.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Premier of British Columbia, and
 - (b) the Prime Minister of Canada, and
 - (c) the Population of Canada.

DEFEATED

HONOURABLE CAITLIN KLEAMAN
DEPUTY PREMIER AND MINISTER OF SERVICE

RESOLUTION (No. 9)
IN SUPPORT OF ACHIEVING THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS

WHEREAS the Government of Canada has committed to achieving the Millennium Development Goals set forth by the United Nations;

AND WHEREAS the Millennium Development Goals cover goals to be achieved by 2015 on a multitude of topics including global poverty, environmental standards, and global conflicts;

AND WHEREAS the Millennium Development Goals affect the future of all people.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament is in support of achieving the Millennium Development Goals.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Prime Minister of Canada,
 - (b) the Premier of British Columbia,
 - (c) the Secretary General of the Security Council of the United Nations,
 - (d) the Director General of the General Assembly of the United Nations,
 - (e) the Canadian diplomats in the United Nations, and
 - (e.1) the Directors of the Model United Nations organization on and around the North Shore.

CARRIED

CAITLIN KLEAMAN
DEPUTY PREMIER AND MINISTER OF SERVICE

RESOLUTION (NO. 10)
**IN SUPPORT OF CREATING A MEMORIAL ON THE NORTH SHORE TO THE LIVES OF
COMMONWEALTH SOLDIERS THAT WERE LOST DURING THE LIRI VALLEY BATTLES OF
WORLD WAR II**

WHEREAS there are many family members on the North Shore who have lost family in the Liri Valley Battles and cannot visit Italy;

AND WHEREAS it is important to remember those who died for our freedom during World War II;

AND WHEREAS over 10,000 service people are buried in the commonwealth war cemetery in Monte Cassino, Italy;

AND WHEREAS many youth died fighting in this battle.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the creation of a memorial on the North Shore to the lives of commonwealth soldiers that were lost during the Liri Valley Battles of World War II.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Premier of British Columbia,
 - (b) the North Vancouver Legion Branches, and
 - (c) the Mayor of the North Shore community.

PRINTED

HONOURABLE SYLVIA O'CONNOR
MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS

RESOLUTION (NO. 11)

IN SUPPORT OF BUILDING A BRIDGE FROM THE LOWER MAINLAND TO VANCOUVER ISLAND

WHEREAS it would provide an alternate route to Vancouver Island;

AND WHEREAS it will help alleviate ferry lineups because people have the option of driving;

AND WHEREAS the construction of the bridge will create jobs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports building a bridge from the Lower Mainland to Vancouver Island.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Premier of British Columbia,
 - (b) the CEO of British Columbia Ferries,
 - (c) the Minister of Infrastructure for British Columbia, and
 - (d) the Minister of Transportation for British Columbia.

DEFEATED

HONOURABLE SYLVIA O'CONNOR
MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS

RESOLUTION (NO. 12)

IN SUPPORT OF MAKING A NATIONAL APPRECIATION DAY FOR PEROGIES

WHEREAS perogies are a staple food for Ukrainian people;

AND WHEREAS some people consider perogies to be a very wonderful thing;

AND WHEREAS Canada is a multicultural nation and should embrace Ukraine's staple food.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports making a national appreciation day for perogies.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Prime Minister of Canada, and
 - (b) the Premier of British Columbia.

PRINTED

HONOURABLE NAIMA SALEMOMAHMED
REGIONAL SECRETARY AND MINISTER OF ARCHIVES

RESOLUTION (NO. 13)
IN SUPPORT OF BANNING THE SALE OF WATER BOTTLES IN SCHOOLS

WHEREAS water bottles take years to dissolve in landfills;

AND WHEREAS water is a necessity for people all around the world to survive;

AND WHEREAS plastic water bottles are known to cause cancer.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the banning of the sale of water bottles in schools.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Prime Minister of Canada,
 - (b) the Premier of British Columbia,
 - (b.1) the Minister of Education of British Columbia, and
 - (b.2) the superintendents of school district #44 and #45 in British Columbia.

DEFEATED

HONOURABLE CAITLIN KLEAMAN
DEPUTY PREMIER AND MINISTER OF SERVICE

RESOLUTION (NO. 14)
IN SUPPORT OF THE NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT INVADING EGYPT

WHEREAS Egypt would be a good trading post for North Shore Youth Parliament;

AND WHEREAS the Pyramids are one of the Seven Wonders of the World;

AND WHEREAS North Shore Youth Parliament could use Egyptian cotton from Egypt to ensure we fulfill our dress code;

AND WHEREAS Egypt is hot like the Members of the North Shore Youth Parliament.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports the invasion of Egypt.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Prime Minister of Canada,
 - (b) the Premier of British Columbia, and
 - (c) the ambassador for Canada to Egypt.

DEFEATED

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JIO PARK

DEPUTY LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION AND CRITIC OF FINANCE

RESOLUTION (NO. 15)
IN SUPPORT OF UNIFORMS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

WHEREAS uniforms can eliminate social segregation among high school students;
 AND WHEREAS unity can promote school spirit;
 AND WHEREAS many students spend a great deal of time on fashion and appearance;
 AND WHEREAS the time used picking out clothes for school can be put to use on other things.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports uniforms in public schools.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Minister of Education of British Columbia,
 - (b) the Premier of British Columbia,
 - (c) the British Columbia Principals and Vice-Principals Association.

PRINTED

ANDREW TYAU
 CRITIC OF ARCHIVES

RESOLUTION (NO. 16)
IN SUPPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL'S PROVIDING FREE RED BULL FOR STUDENTS

WHEREAS Red Bull stimulates brain impulses and causes them to be more aware;
 AND WHEREAS increased energy levels caused by Red Bull may increase student performance;
 AND WHEREAS students will feel more encouraged to come to school so they can obtain the free Red Bull.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports high school providing free Red Bull to students.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the Minister of Education of British Columbia, and
 - (b) the Premier of British Columbia.

PRINTED

JIO PARK

DEPUTY LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION AND CRITIC OF FINANCE

RESOLUTION (NO. 17)**IN SUPPORT OF NORTH SHORE HIGH SCHOOLS ADOPTING A COMPUTER-BASED EDUCATION SYSTEM**

WHEREAS paper is used by teachers and students in the form of worksheets, notes, and assignments every hour of every school day;
AND WHEREAS many students use the computer daily for academic and personal purposes;
AND WHEREAS transfer of information can take place quickly and efficiently via the internet.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1 The 18th North Shore Youth Parliament supports North Shore High Schools adopting a computer-based education system.
- 2 The Regional Secretary communicate this position to
 - (a) the British Columbia Teachers Association,
 - (b) the superintendent of West Vancouver and North Vancouver school districts, and
 - (c) the Minister of Education of British Columbia.

CARRIED

HONOURABLE PEDRAM MOUSSAVI
PREMIER
15TH PARLIAMENT

PREMIER

[In the absence of a Continuity Report of the Premier of the 17th North Shore Youth Parliament, the Continuity Report of the Premier of the 15th North Shore Youth Parliament is tabled.]

Dear James,

Congratulations on being elected as Premier of the 16th North Shore Youth Parliament! It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to this position, as I know you to be very responsible, dedicated, and good-humoured. Being Premier of NSYP is one of the best roles you will ever undertake. Here, you will not only learn about Parliament and become comfortable with legislation, but you will also do it all in a relaxed setting.

To make your life much easier, I have created a list of tasks you have to do in order to fully prepare yourself for Session. I have tried to place them in chronological order so as to make it easy to apply to your preparation of NSYP. The second you read this, you should flip to last year's journal and contact all of the Cabinet Ministers and Leader of the Opposition and ask them for their continuity reports. Without some sort of guidance, your Ministers will not know where to start in planning for Session.

Assemble a Cabinet

First of all, you must assemble your Cabinet. The most important choices you have to make are your Attorney General and your Minister of Service. Your AG will be in charge of all the legislation, so make sure you pick someone who is somewhat familiar with Parliament and is very competent. You need someone who will be comfortable speaking in front of a group of people, and who will be very approachable to the other members in order to teach them legislation. In addition, your AG will need to be confident and quick at learning as they will technically be in charge of all your legislation. You must also pick an AG who you understand well and feel comfortable around, as you will be spending many days together preparing for Session.

You must also take extreme care in picking your Minister of Service. They must be a very enthusiastic and active person – someone who will take charge and organise many service events. This is the person who will be maintaining the NSYP spirit after Session. It is best to choose someone who has experience in the realm of service with different organizations. Your Minister of Service will also be in charge of presenting the Parliamentary Activities Act, so you and your AG will have to make sure they know it inside-out.

Cabinet Meetings

First of all, I highly suggest that you have three meetings with your Cabinet before Session: the first meeting, around mid-late January; your legislation weekend, around early-mid February; then your last Cabinet meeting in the last week before Session.

The first meeting is a time for all the members of your Cabinet to become acquainted with each other. This is the time to create a sense or feeling of Cabinet solidarity and cohesiveness. I suggest having a quick introduction to Parliament, in case you have first-year members on your Cabinet, maybe have the older members give some recounts of NSYP and why they chose to return. Then, you should briefly introduce your Cabinet ministers to legislation – discuss how legislation works, why we have it, and give a little overview of how to read legislation (section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, etc.) just so they feel comfortable with it. Then, you should assign your Cabinet ministers to each come up with one amendment they would like to make to their ministry in the MRA, and to have that prepared for Leg Weekend. You should encourage them to read through the NSYP Act, and ask each of them to come up with one amendment to the NSYPA. Then, you can end your first meeting with perhaps a social activity, such as laser tag or a group dinner.

Leg Weekend

Now is the time when you should be teaching your Cabinet all the useful skills they will need to know for Session. Try to plan for around 5 hours. Try to stress that your ministers should attend all the meetings before session, but in particular Leg Weekend. Therefore, in order to avoid conflict with your ministers' schedules, set the time and date for this meeting at least a few weeks ahead of time to give them a chance to get a break from work, arrange transportation, etc.

Topics you should cover during leg weekend should include the following list: how to make motions (which you can find in the standing orders booklet from last year), amendments to the NSYP Act and MRA (which you should have your Cabinet prepare

before coming to Leg Weekend), how to compose a PMR (which you should have in the standing orders booklet as well), and question period (maybe give your Cabinet an example of the scandalous debate found therein). You should also instruct your Cabinet to have something prepared to say during the Reply to the Speech from the Throne, in order to win the race against opposition.

This list seems awfully brief now that I look back at it, but if there is anything you feel should be covered during Leg Weekend, make sure you do. It's your weekend, so make sure that you feel your ministers are as prepared as you would like them to be.

Plan for Session

You and your AG should get together and prepare the motion scripts for Session. You should be getting a template from last year's AG. Then, you and your AG should peruse the template and make any necessary adjustments, such as dates, year, session number, etc. You should probably photocopy a list of all the motion scripts and hand them out to each of your Cabinet ministers sometime before Session. Then, with your AG, a few days before Session, cut out all the motion scripts into little slips, and staple them to the AG's copy. Make sure you do not lose these motion scripts, as it saves a lot of time during Session. In fact, I'd recommend your AG to not give the ministers the motion slips until the beginning of each sitting, just to make sure they don't get lost in all the papers on their desks.

You will also need to find someone, such as the Minister of Communications, to create a title page for the journal. You also need to plan a social event for the Saturday night; last year, I reserved a dinner at Earl's. You also have to prepare the Speech from the Throne. If you take a look at the journal from last year, the one I wrote can be found in the votes and proceedings section. The Lieutenant Governor will read this out in the opening ceremonies. During the Reply to the Speech from the Throne, you should also have an inspirational speech prepared. You should also have a couple of PMRs ready for the Friday evening, maybe brainstorm ideas at Leg Weekend and have a couple of Cabinet Ministers that are not in charge of Acts to be in charge of preparing them. You should also have your Minister of Communications have the first Mr. Speaker prepared to hand out during Session. You should also have prayers and reflections prepared for the first day just in case, but make sure to remind your Regional Secretary that they are in charge of recruiting members to prepare these. You should also prepare the Prorogation Speech. The one I wrote should also be in last year's journal under votes and proceedings. This should be really inspiring and motivating and remind the members that their responsibility to NSYP should not fade away at the end of Session. This will be read out during Prorogation by the Lieutenant Governor at the end of Session.

Service Projects after Session

As you will have chosen a Minister of Service who will be very enthusiastic about organising service projects and socials, you can relax a little bit, as much of the weight will have gone off your shoulders. Now, you can take part and enjoy. However, before planning any service project or social, it is important that you run it past the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments, Paula Burrows, whose contact information should be at the back of this year's journal.

As you know, NSYP tends to sizzle out over the summer, so try your best to keep this from happening. You can do this by having regular Cabinet meetings at least once a month, and regularly planning social events. This is why a dedicated Minister of Service is key. Once it hits May and June, most students will be too busy to make time for NSYP, and so it is important that you appoint a Minister of Service who will take time out of their schedule to plan these events.

Now the most important thing is for you to have as much fun as possible while you are doing this. If there is anything I can stress the most, it is that this year will end before you know it, so make sure that it is worthwhile and memorable! I will be at Session, and I live five minutes away from you, so if you ever need any help, don't hesitate to ask!

Respectfully submitted,

Pedram Moussavi

**HONOURABLE COLIN WEHLAN
LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION
15TH PARLIAMENT**

LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION

[In the absence of a Continuity Report of the Leader of the Opposition of the 17th North Shore Youth Parliament, the Continuity Report of the Leader of the Opposition of the 15th North Shore Youth Parliament is tabled.]

Dear Stephanie

Congratulations on becoming the Leader of the Opposition, you have an exciting Session ahead of you. You are going to play an absolutely critical role in the functioning of NSYP.

As our dear L of O you must keep Cabinet accountable, and question all of their actions and legislation. The more prepared for, and enthusiastic about, this you are, the better session will be. By providing lively debate, and bringing up important issues you can create a fun and educational parliamentary experience for everyone.

I hope you have the greatest success in your endeavours to bring down (err....”hold to account”....) the government!

Colin Whelan
Leader of the Opposition
15th North Shore Youth Parliament

P.S. Don't say the Speaker's name in your Reply to the Speech from the Throne!!!

HONOURABLE HELEN CHEUNG
DEPUTY PREMIER
12TH PARLIAMENT

DEPUTY PREMIER

[In the absence of a Continuity Report of the Deputy Premier of the 17th North Shore Youth Parliament, the Continuity Report of the Deputy Premier of the 12th North Shore Youth Parliament is tabled.]

Dear Jeff,

Congratulations on becoming the new Deputy Premier. This position is often underestimated in its significance. You will become the Premier’s “right-hand man.” This means that you need to stand by the Premier throughout Session and help him or her in any manner that you can. It also means that if the Premier is unavailable, you need to stand in his or her place.

Being Deputy Premier is an honour. The Premier only appointed you because he or she has complete faith in your abilities. If anything happens to the Premier including his or her death ☺, you become head of the house. Lastly, have fun and have a great Session – you are going to do a fabulous job!

Yours respectfully,

Helen Cheung
Deputy Premier
12th North Shore Youth Parliament

HONOURABLE IAN WOO
MINISTER OF ARCHIVES
15TH PARLIAMENT

ARCHIVES

[In the absence of a Continuity Report of Minister of Archives of the 17th North Shore Youth Parliament, the Continuity Report of the Minister of Archives of the 12th North Shore Youth Parliament is tabled.]

Dear Michael,

Congratulations on being appointed as the fourth Honourable Minister of Archives! The position is still a relatively new position that was established only three years ago. Nevertheless, the Minister of Archives is an important position on Cabinet as he or she is responsible for preserving the history of the North Shore Youth Parliament by filing all documents (past session journals, any letters, legislation documents, etc.), capturing NSYP moments on camera, and keeping other items that are relevant to NSYP. Moreover, you will also need to keep a digital archive and create a NSYP website.

You will receive folders containing materials from the 13th to 15th sessions, in addition to the 13th NSYP “cup trick cup” and a backup CD and information regarding the 13th NSYP website. The folders will be clearly labelled to identify the contents and to keep everything organized. Try to keep everything organized and in their proper folder because you may be asked by other members of the Cabinet for specific files. During session, your job is to collect all documents and other important items pertinent to NSYP. The bulk of your job will be simply keeping everything organized. Currently, I believe the oldest material in the archives consists of 13th session material. It would be great if you could find journals and documents from even earlier sessions. Lastly, don’t forget to take photos during session! You’re the official cameraman during session, so you’ll be busy!

Be organized, helpful, and have fun!

With best wishes,

Ian Woo
Minister of Archives
15th North Shore Youth Parliament

COLIN WHELAN
ATTORNEY GENERAL
16TH PARLIAMENT

ATTORNEY GENERAL

[In the absence of a Continuity Report of Attorney General of the 17th North Shore Youth Parliament, the Continuity Report of Attorney General of the 16th North Shore Youth Parliament is tabled.]

To my dear AG in waiting:

I'm not sure how much Youth Parliament experience you have stepping into this position, but I'm sure that if you didn't relish in it already you have discovered the joy of motion scripts, writing legislation, and being in charge of lots and lots of paper.

Your job as AG may seem tedious at times, but the central role you will ultimately play in session and beyond is well worth it. Don't worry if things don't go as smoothly as you expect, or if a certain someone needs you to revise your legislation more than a few times before it's up to snuff. It's all part of the process. If this doesn't happen to you, then congratulations, you are a more adept parliamentarian than I ever was.

And remember, if you get bored, here's some NSYP bingo to play. But I recommend you don't actually, given you will probably miss something important. I have a nagging feeling I am stealing this idea from my first session at NSYP, but we don't talk about these things...

A MEMBER ASKS PARTICULARLY EMBARRASSING QUESTION IN QP	A MEMBER THREATENS THE LIFE OF ANOTHER BY DARING TO UTTER THEIR NAME	A MEMBER SHOCKINGLY FORGETS TO BOW AS THEY LEAVE THE HOUSE	A MEMBER MENTIONS THE AP v. IB v. PEOPLE WITH A SOCIAL LIFE RIVALRY
CROSS THIS ONE OUT RIGHT AWAY JUST BECAUSE GOVERNMENT IS SO MUCH COOLER THAN OPPOSITION	SHOCKED! APPALLED! & FLABBERGASTED!	CUP TRICK!	POINT OF ORDER: REPETITIOUS AND IRRELEVANT
POINT OF ORDER: ENDANGERING LIFE VIA USE OF A PROP	PENGUIN SONG!	SHOCKED! APPALLED! & FLABBERGASTED!	A MEMBER BEGINS A RISING CHORUS OF <i>WHY ARE WE WAITING</i>
THIS SQUARE MAY BE CROSSED OUT IF A SONG IS INCORPORATED INTO THE SILLY BOW	TIME FOR CANADIAN PARLIAMENTARY TRIVIA!	A MEMBER DONS A KILT AS THEIR FORMAL DRESS (Bonus points if someone asks them if they are wearing underwear during Question Period)	A MEMBER USES THE WORD "YOU" MORE THAN 5 TIMES THROUGHOUT A SPEECH

Sincerely,

ColinWhelan
Attorney General, 16th North Shore Youth Parliament

CHRISTINE KO
MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS
16TH PARLIAMENT

COMMUNICATIONS

[In the absence of a Continuity Report of Minister of Communications of the 17th North Shore Youth Parliament, the Continuity Report of the Minister of Communications of the 16th North Shore Youth Parliament is tabled.]

Dear Julie,

Welcome to the Ministry of Communications! I first want to extend my congratulations and a thanks to you for taking a big step in accepting the role of Minister of Communications. This isn't necessarily an overwhelming job, but one that requires a lot of organization skills and a willingness to participate. It also requires you to have the ability to read time and stay on it, for a lot of the things that you are responsible for involve timing and deadlines. It's also one that requires you to be computer-literate to a degree since you have to stay on top of everyone's emails and communication through the internet. You also need artistic skills, because you have to design the cover of the journal as well as little minute papers for each day that we are at a session of NSYP. It may seem overwhelming during session but once it's all done, the only thing that you have to do is make sure that your inbox of emails is in order. And bring out your networking skills because you're going to have to be the middleman.

I have confidence that you can do a good job even after session has been completed, and the first and foremost thing that is of importance is that you have fun and that you aren't always forced to do the job that you have now been appointed to. Be creative, go wild. You can experiment with a lot of things but still keep it professional and effective.

I wish you the best of luck at the actual session.

Sincerely,

Christine Ko

Minister of Communications

16th North Shore Youth Parliament

BRYANT LAM
MINISTER OF FINANCE
16TH PARLIAMENT

FINANCE

[In the absence of a Continuity Report of Minister of Finance of the 17th North Shore Youth Parliament, the Continuity Report of the Minister of Finance of the 16th North Shore Youth Parliament is tabled.]

Congratulations on being appointed to the position of Minister of Finance. It's a great position as you are the person in control of all the money. You could either then be a very responsible minister, and help the government run smoothly, or, decide to single handedly bring down the government, your choice, or neither.

As the Min of Fin you have two main responsibilities, 1) to make a budget for the upcoming year, and 2) to defend this budget like it is the only thing that keeps you alive. The first job is quite easy just take the budget from last year and punch in some numbers, be creative and change some things up a bit. And as a reward of that creativity you get to find crazy ways of defending the need of say, a \$10,000,000 for a new NSYP HQ.

Oh and lastly you get to sign the budget where you get to look professional and official. That's about it. Last words of advice: just have fun. NSYP can be ridiculously entertaining based on the efforts of every individual. Also don't forget to make up some crazy PMRs, those always add to the enjoyment of NSYP.

Sincerely,

Bryant Lam

Minister of Finance

16th North Shore Youth Parliament

HONOURABLE JAMES LIN
 REGIONAL SECRETARY
 15TH PARLIAMENT

REGIONAL SECRETARY

[In the absence of a Continuity Report of the Regional Secretary of the 17th North Shore Youth Parliament, the Continuity Report of the Regional Secretary of the 15th North Shore Youth Parliament is tabled.]

Dear Yuh-Shi,

Congratulations on being appointed Regional Secretary of 16th North Shore Youth Parliament! One of the many great aspects of NSYP is meeting dignitaries from across British Columbia during session, and as Regional Secretary, this will be your primary duty.

Much of the required duties for you will be quite straightforward: you must send out invitations to dignitaries across British Columbia and invite them to come to session and give greetings. You will be bombarded with replies soon after you have sent out the invitations, so make sure that you keep your papers organized! It would be helpful for you to have multiple folders that will hold verbal greetings, written greetings, your notes, etc. Remember, organization is key!

While most of your work will be done before Session, you still have a very important duty during Session: pay attention to the verbal greeters! The verbal greeters have all taken time to come to NSYP to acknowledge and support what we do as a youth-service organization; it is only polite that we treat them with the same level of courtesy and respect by writing personalized thank-you letters to them, a task that is entrusted to you.

I'm sure that you will find being Regional Secretary a very rewarding experience.

Best of luck,

James Lin
 Regional Secretary
 15th North Shore Youth Parliament

ALYSHA RASOOL
MINISTER OF SERVICE:
16TH PARLIAMENT

SERVICE

[In the absence of a Continuity Report of Minister of Service of the 17th North Shore Youth Parliament, the Continuity Report of the Minister of Service of the 16th North Shore Youth Parliament is tabled.]

Welcome to the Ministry of Service where the true action of NSYP happens after session. The activities and events that you put on will unite all NSYP members for another successful year as young parliamentarians!

It may be difficult and seem like a huge responsibility at first, but just stick with it, and you will see your efforts rewarded. Most of the events will be smaller in scale and would be easier to put together. Be sure to work closely with the Minister of Communications to send out timely emails to let the membership know of these events. Volunteerism and service is always taken with great initiative and with the members of NSYP, events will always be a great success if members are informed and updated. It is important to check with the Premier about events before you start recruiting members. Keep in mind the motto of "youth helping youth" and that events should be organized with the interest of youth on the North Shore in mind.

Working with other local organizations is a great way to fulfill your duties as Minister of Service for the other members of NSYP. Some examples of these would be walks for cures, helping at community centers and all the while bring awareness of NSYP to the public. Keep an eye out for good opportunities to volunteer within the community and make sure that you are prepared to answer questions on what events you have in mind. This is especially important during the reading of the Parliamentary Activities Act. If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact your premier- I'm sure you'll find everyone more than willing to help you!

There are many opportunities for great things to happen and your job starts right at the beginning of this session. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to meet with other individuals like yourself and to venture into a network of volunteerism!

Good luck, and most importantly have fun!

Best of luck,

Alysha Rasool

HONOURABLE MACK McCORKINDALE
ATTORNEY GENERAL
18TH PARLIAMENT

REPORT ON SENATE LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

This report, submitted in accordance with section 5(5) of the *Ministerial Responsibilities Act*, outlines the results of Senate's review of legislation and resolutions passed by the 17th North Shore Youth Parliament.

The following acts and resolutions were scrutinized:

- *Parliamentary Activities Act, 2008*
- *Ministerial Responsibilities Amendment Act, 2008*
- *North Shore Youth Parliament Amendment Act, 2008*
- Resolution (No.1) – In Support of Establishing II as the Official Number of the North Shore Youth Parliament
- Resolution (No.4) – In Support of the Legalisation of Brothels
- Resolution (No. 7) – In Support of Adopting Mandarin as the Second Official Language of British Columbia
- Resolution (No.10) – In Support of the Regulation of the Sale of High-Fat Food in School Cafeterias

The recommendation to the Lieutenant Governor-in-Council is as follows:

1. The Lieutenant Governor in Council reserve Section 4 of the *North Shore Youth Parliament Amendment Act, 2008*.
2. The Lieutenant Governor in Council reserve Sections 2, 6, and 7 of the *Ministerial Responsibilities Amendment Act, 2008*.

Respectfully submitted,

Mack McCorkindale
Attorney General
18th North Shore Youth Parliament

HONOURABLE JEFF WILSON
PREMIER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE
18TH PARLIAMENT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE 17TH NORTH SHORE YOUTH PARLIAMENT**Income:**

Registration Fees \$325.00

Total Income:**\$325.00****Expense (Regional Planning Committee):**

Charter Fee \$45.00

Food \$212.72

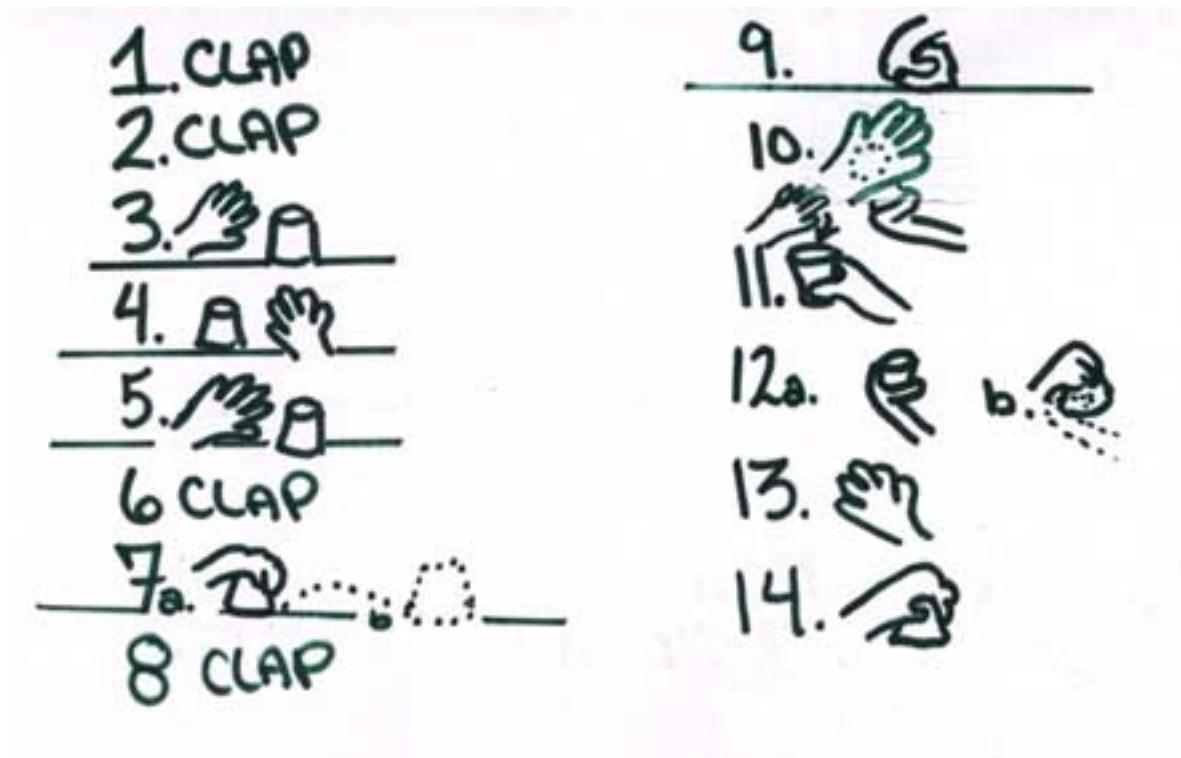
Supplies 18.80

Gifts \$40.81

Total Expense:**\$317.33****NET PROFIT (LOSS):****\$7.67**

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THE CUP TRICK – AN ILLUSTRATED GUIDE



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| 1. Clap | 9. Pick up with right hand thumb facing down |
| 2. Clap | 10. Lift and tap open part of cup to left palm |
| 3. Left hand tap | 11. Tap table with cup |
| 4. Right hand tap | 12. Turn cup over so bottom part is put in, and grasped in left palm |
| 5. Left hand tap | 13. Put right hand on table |
| 6. Clap | 14. Cross over right hand and put cup down |
| 7. Pick up with right hand and move over | |
| 8. Clap | |

That's ALL!!!

To get really tricky, get a line of people and in step 10 grab the cup of the person to the right! When performing for the house, do once in front, repeat with line trick, then do another in front. Make sure to last person on the right has an extra cup too! Remember, it's all in the rhythm!

Respectfully submitted,

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Premier
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