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SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Victoria Thursday, April 10, 2003

Chair:	* Susan Brice (Saanich South L)
Deputy Chair:	* Blair Suffredine (Nelson-Creston L)
Members:	 * Val Anderson (Vancouver-Langara L) * Jeff Bray (Victoria-Beacon Hill L) Elayne Brenzinger (Surrey-Whalley L) * Walt Cobb (Cariboo South L) Roger Harris (Skeena L) Randy Hawes (Maple Ridge-Mission L) * Blair Lekstrom (Peace River South L) * Harold Long (Powell River-Sunshine Coast L) * John Nuraney (Burnaby-Willingdon L) * Val Roddick (Delta South L) Joy MacPhail (Vancouver-Hastings NDP) * denotes member present
Clerk:	Kate Ryan-Lloyd
Committee Staff:	Wynne MacAlpine (Committee Research Analyst)

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Thursday, April 10, 2003 12 p.m. Douglas Fir Committee Room Parliament Buildings, Victoria

Present: Susan Brice, MLA; Blair Suffredine, MLA; Val Anderson, MLA; Jeff Bray, MLA; Walt Cobb, MLA; Blair Lekstrom, MLA; Harold Long, MLA; John Nuraney, MLA; Val Roddick, MLA.

Unavoidably Absent: Elayne Brenzinger, MLA; Roger Harris, MLA; Randy Hawes, MLA; Joy MacPhail, MLA.

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:04 p.m.

2. Resolved, that Ms. Susan Brice, MLA, be elected Chair of the Committee.

3. Resolved, that Mr. Blair Suffredine, MLA, be elected Deputy Chair of the Committee.

4. The Committee adjourned at 12:09 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Susan Brice, MLA Chair Kate Ryan-Lloyd Clerk Assistant and Committee Clerk

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2003

The committee met at 12:04 p.m.

Election of Chair and Deputy Chair

K. Ryan-Lloyd: As this is the first meeting of the Select Standing Committee on Health in the new session of parliament, we do not yet have a Chair to this committee. I open the floor to nominations. Any nominations for that position?

B. Suffredine: Susan Brice.

K. Ryan-Lloyd: Okay. Any other nominations? I'll ask the question three times. Any other nominations? Any other nominations?

Seeing as we don't have any others, Susan, do you accept?

S. Brice: I would.

K. Ryan-Lloyd: Okay. I'll put the question on the motion.

Motion approved.

[S. Brice in the chair.]

S. Brice (Chair): Well, thanks, committee. I look forward to working with everyone.

[1205]

Many on this committee were on the previous Select Standing Committee on Health. Under the very capable leadership of our Chair, Val Roddick, we did produce two reports. I see the second of those reports has been put on the desks here today. I commend it to those who haven't had a chance to go through it. If you require a copy of volume 1, I know that would also be available for you. I think you'd find the two of them a very, very good basis for our work.

We'll see what our terms of reference are. I'd hoped they would be here for us today.

The next order of business is the election of a Deputy Chair for our committee. With that, I'll put the nominations open to the floor. **V. Roddick:** I would like to nominate someone from the heartlands, Blair Suffredine, for vice-Chair.

S. Brice (Chair): Blair, would you accept that nomination?

B. Suffredine: Yes.

S. Brice (Chair): Any further nominations?

B. Lekstrom: I will put the name of Jeff Bray forward for vice-Chair.

S. Brice (Chair): Jeff, would you accept that nomination?

J. Bray: Yes.

S. Brice (Chair): Are there any further nominations? Any further nominations? I'll declare nominations closed.

The committee has the option of having a secret ballot or a show of hands. I'll put the question this way to you: would you indicate to me if you would desire a secret ballot? That seems to be the will of the committee.

K. Ryan-Lloyd: I'll hand out those ballots.

A Voice: Do you want us to depart?

S. Brice (Chair): No. First of all, vote.

The ballots will now be collected. Certainly, we've got two very good candidates there. Whichever one we decide....

I declare Blair Suffredine the Deputy Chair of our committee.

Congratulations, Blair.

At this point there is no further business for our committee. As soon as we get our terms of reference, we'll reconvene and see what task we've been handed.

The meeting is adjourned.

The committee adjourned at 12:09 p.m.