

THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY **RETIRING ALLOWANCES ACT AND** SUPPLEMENTARY RETIRING ALLOWANCES ACT

PENSION ADMINISTRATION REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED **MARCH 31, 1994**

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L INTRODUCTION

The Northwest Territories Legislative Assembly provides pension benefits to its elected members under the Legislative Assembly Retiring Allowances Act (RAA) and the Supplementary Retiring Allowances Act (SRAA). Section 21 of the RAA requires that a report on the administration of the Act be presented to the Management and Services Board each fiscal year.

While the SRAA has no provision requiring annual administrative reporting, it seems logical to report on both Acts.

This report summarizes the current active membership, inactive members and plan assets. An appendix to this report summarizes all of the positions held, past and present, of the current 24 members.

II. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

A. Overview

There are several categories of membership under the Act:

- Active members are the current elected Members of the Assembly;
- Deferred non-vested members are prior Members of the Assembly who left prior to completing six years of plan membership. If they return to the Assembly and complete their six years of membership then they will be eligible for their full pensions;
- Deferred vested members are prior Members who are entitled to a pension but have not commenced receiving it; and
- Pensioners are prior Members currently in receipt of a pension.

The table below is a reconciliation of the plan membership from April 1, 1993 to March 31, 1994.

	Actives	Deferred Not Vested	Deferred Vested Pensioner	Pensioner	Total
Number at April 1, 1993	23	8	3	14	48
New additions	1				1
Deletions			,		
- Termination (lump sum)	ı				
- Termination (deferred pe					
- Retired			(1)	1	
- Death					
- Disability					
Number at March 31, 1994	24	8		15	49

Mr. Bernhardt resigned his membership effective January 22, 1993. A by-election to replace him was not held until May 10, 1993, when Mr. Ng was elected.

B. Actives

Name

During the fiscal year, one deferred vested member retired and one Member terminated and received a refund of his contributions to the Plan.

There are 24 Members at March 31, 1994. The 24 Members held the following position(s) at March 31, 1994.

Position(s)

	Nume	Postnon(s)
1.	Allooloo, Titus S.	MLA
2.	Antoine, James L.	MLA, Chairperson
3.	Arngna'Raaq, Silas E.	MLA, Minister
4.	Arvaluk, James	MLA
5.	Ballantyne, Michael A.	MLA
6.	Cournoyea, Nellie G.	MLA, Government Leader
7.	Dent, Charles A.	MLA
8.	Gargan, Samuel	MLA
9.	Kakfwi, Stephen	MLA, Minister
10.	Koe, Fred E.	MLA, Chairpersons (two)
11.	Lewis, Brian W.	MLA, Deputy Speaker
	Marie-Jewell, Jeannie	MLA, Speaker
13.	Mike, Rebecca	MLA, Minister
14.		MLA, Minister
15.	Nerysoo, Richard W.	MLA, Minister
16.	Ng, Kelvin	MLA
17.	Ningark, John	MLA, Deputy Chairperson
18.	Patterson, Dennis G.	MLA
19.	Pollard, John D.	MLA, Minister
20.	Pudlat, Kenoayoak	MLA
21.	Pudluk, Ludy K.	MLA
	Todd, John H.	MLA, Minister
23.	Whitford, Anthony W.J.	MLA, Deputy Chairperson
24.	Zoe, Henry	MLA, Chairpersons (two)
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A number of Members are entitled to a deferred pension for positions (such as Minister or Chairperson) which they held in the past, but no longer hold. Appendix A summarizes these positions for each of the current Members.

A number of Members have held such positions for less than one year, in which case they are not vested in these positions. However, if they resume a position and complete, in aggregate, one year of service in the position, they will be entitled to a deferred pension. Therefore, Appendix A also tracks these non-vested positions.

C. Non-Vested Terminated Members (Deferred Non-Vested)

Information for Members who left the Assembly before completing six years of service and were not vested is recorded in case these Members return to the Assembly and recommence accruing a pension. Members who restart earning a pension must pay back to the Assembly any contributions that were refunded when they left with interest in order to be reinstated in their previous service.

Date of

Name		Termination		
2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7.	Angottitauruq, Michael Bernhart, Ernie Crow, Charlie Erkloo, Elijah Lawrence, Eliza Paniloo, Pauloosie Richard, John T'seleie, John	June 29, 1989 January 22, 1993 October 15, 1991 October 5, 1987 October 5, 1987 October 5, 1987 August 31, 1988 October 5, 1987		

D. Deferred Pensioners

There was one deferred pensioner who retired during the fiscal year. Mr. T. Curley retired October 1, 1993. There are two members who are entitled to receive a deferred pension at age 55. They are listed below:

	Normal Retirement
Name	Date
Annogia M	Mary 1 2001

Appaqiq, M. May 1, 2001
 Wah-Shee, J. January 1, 2001

E. Pensioners

At March 31, 1994 there are 15 previous Members receiving monthly pensions from the Plans.

F. Forthcoming Retirements

Active Members

Members who will be 55 or older at the next election (October 15, 1995) are:

Normal Retirement Date

Name

Cournoyea, N. Lewis, B.W.

April 1, 1995 October 1, 1991

In addition, the following members will be 55 in the next five years:

Normal Retirement Date

Name

Ningark, J. Whitford, A.W. Pollard, J.D. Pudluk, L.K. August 1, 1999 July 1, 1996 September 1, 1998 February 1, 1998

Deferred Vested Members

There are no deferred vested members who are currently 55 or older, or who will be 55 in the coming five years.

III. ASSET INFORMATION

A. Retiring Allowances Act

Growth of the Fund

The funds are currently invested by Corporate Investments Associates. The growth of the fund between April 1, 1993 - March 31, 1994 is summarized below:

Market Value at April 1, 1993	\$8,684,296
Member Contributions	184,912
Assembly Contributions	0
Investment Income	1,776,155
Pension Payments	(175,353)
Lump Sum Payment	(8,778)
Administration Expenses	(17,372)
Investment Management Expenses	(34,189)
Market Value at March 31, 1994	\$10,409,671

2. Rate of Return

The fund earned a rate of return of 19.86% (net of total expenses) during the fiscal year.

3. Receivables and Payables

a. At the end of March 31, 1994, there were no contributions receivable.

b. Prior to an amendment to the Legislative Assembly Retiring Allowances Act in the second session of 1989, Members were permitted to make voluntary contributions to the RAA. Members who have a voluntary contribution account in the fund will continue to accrue interest at the rate of return earned by the pension fund. These funds are to be transferred out of the fund as soon as the affected Members have completed the necessary forms.

As at March 31, 1994, there is one Member with a voluntary contribution account as follows:

Name

Status

1. McLaughlin, B.A.

Retired

4. Interest Credited on Contributions

The interest credited on required contributions by Members was 6.25% for 1993 contributions and 5.06% on 1994 contributions.

The interest credited on Member's additional voluntary contributions was 19.86%. A history of interest rates credited on contributions appears in Appendix B.

B. Supplementary Retiring Allowances Act

1. Growth of the Fund

The assets of the SRAA are invested by Watt Carmichael Inc. The growth of the fund between April 1, 1993 - March 31, 1994 is summarized below:

Market Value at April 1, 1993	\$9,639,255
Assembly Contributions	2,349,000
Member Contributions	2,419
Investment Income	944,731
Pension Payments	(255,845)
Investment Management Expenses	(26,733)
Market Value at March 31, 1994	\$12,652,827

2. Rate of Return

The fund earned a rate of return of 8.59% (net of total expenses) during the fiscal year.

3. Receivables and Payables

- a. At March 31, 1994, there was a total of \$9,056 in contributions receivable (buy-back contributions).
- b. There were no benefits payable.

IV. APPENDIX A - SUMMARY OF POSITIONS

Below is a history of the positions which the 24 Members have held and/or are currently holding.

	Name	Position	Date in Position
1.	Allooloo, Titus S.	M.L.A. Minister	Oct. 5, 1987 - present Nov. 16, 1987 - Nov. 22, 1993
2.	Antoine, James L.	M.L.A. Chairperson	Oct. 15, 1991 - present Dec. 10, 1992 - present
3.	Arngna'Raaq, Silas	M.L.A. Chairperson Minister	Oct. 15, 1991 - present Nov. 15, 1991 - Dec. 14, 1993 Dec. 14, 1993 - present
4.	Arvaluk, James	M.L.A. Chairperson Deputy Chairperson Minister	Oct. 15, 1991 - present Nov. 15, 1991 - June 24, 1992 Nov. 15, 1991 - June 24, 1992 June 25, 1992 - Dec. 1, 1992
5.	Ballantyne, Michael	M.L.A. Chairperson 1 Chairperson 2 Minister Speaker	Nov. 21, 1983 - present Jan. 12, 1984 - Nov. 5, 1985 April 1, 1985 - Nov. 4, 1985 Nov. 5, 1985 - Nov. 11, 1991 Nov. 12, 1991 - Dec. 10, 1993
6.	Cournoyea, Nellie	M.L.A. Minister Minister Gov't Leader	Oct. 1, 1979 - present Jan. 12, 1984 - Nov. 5, 1985 Nov. 16, 1987 - Nov. 12, 1991 Nov. 13, 1991 - present
7.	Dent, Charles	M.L.A.	Oct. 15, 1991 - present
8.	Gargan, Samuel	M.L.A. Deputy Chairperson Deputy Speaker	Nov. 21, 1983 - present Jan. 1, 1984 - Aug. 20, 1987 Nov. 12, 1987 - Aug. 30, 1991
9.	Kakfwi, Stephen	M.L.A. Minister	Oct. 5, 1987 - present Nov. 16, 1987 - present
10.	Koe, Fred E.	M.L.A. Chairperson 1 Chairperson 2	Oct. 15, 1991 - present Nov. 15, 1991 - present Nov. 15, 1991 - present
11.	Lewis, Brian W.	M.L.A. Deputy Speaker	Oct. 5, 1987 - present Dec. 15, 1993 - present
12.	Marie-Jewell, Jeannie	M.L.A. Minister Speaker	Oct. 5, 1987 - present Nov. 16, 1987 - Nov. 13, 1991 Dec. 13, 1993 - present

Name	Position	Date in Position
13. Mike, Rebecca	M.L.A. Minister	Oct. 15, 1991 - present Dec. 7, 1992 - present
14. Morin, Donald A.	M.L.A. Chairperson Minister	Oct. 5, 1987 - present April 1, 1988 - Aug. 30, 1991 Nov. 14, 1991 - present
15. Nerysoo, Richard	M.L.A. Minister Gov't Leader Chairperson Speaker Deputy Chairperson Minister	Oct. 1, 1979 - present Nov. 23, 1979 - Jan. 11, 1984 Jan. 12, 1984 - Nov. 5, 1985 Nov. 5, 1985 - Aug. 20, 1987 Oct. 19, 1989 - Nov. 12, 1991 Nov. 15, 1991 - Dec. 9, 1992 Dec. 9, 1992 - present
16. Ng, Kelvin	MLA	May 10, 1993 - present
17. Ningark, John	M.L.A. Deputy Chairperson Minister Deputy Chairperson	Oct. 10, 1989 - present March 6, 1991 - Aug. 30, 1991 Nov. 14, 1991 - June 23, 1992 Jun. 25, 1992 - present
18. Patterson, Dennis	M.L.A. Chairperson Minister Gov't Leader Minister	Oct. 1, 1979 - present Oct. 1, 1979 - Oct. 1, 1980 Jan. 5, 1981 - Nov. 11, 1987 Nov. 12, 1987 - Nov. 12, 1991 Nov. 13, 1991 - Nov. 27, 1992
19. Pollard, John	M.L.A. Chairperson Minister	Oct. 5, 1987 - present Nov. 16, 1987 - Aug. 30, 1991 Nov. 13, 1991 - present
20. Pudlat, Kenoayoak	M.L.A.	Oct. 15, 1991 - present
21. Pudluk, Ludy	M.L.A. Minister Deputy Chairperson Deputy Speaker	March 10, 1975 - present March 18, 1987 to Nov. 16, 1987 Oct. 24, 1989 - Aug. 30, 1991 Nov. 14, 1991 - Dec. 9, 1993
22. Todd, John H.	M.L.A. Chairperson Minister	Oct. 15, 1991 - present Nov. 15, 1991 - Dec. 6, 1992 Dec. 7, 1992 - present
23. Whitford, Anthony	M.L.A. Minister Deputy Chairperson	Oct. 31, 1988 - present Nov. 13, 1991 - Dec. 4, 1992 Feb. 17, 1993 - present
24. Zoe, Henry	M.L.A. Deputy Chairperson Chairperson Chairperson Chairperson	Oct. 5, 1987 - present Nov. 16, 1987 - June 25, 1991 Nov. 16, 1987 - June 25, 1991 Nov. 15, 1991 - present Aug. 10, 1992 - present

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V. APPENDIX B - HISTORICAL RATES

Year	Interest on Required Contributions %	Interest on Voluntary Contributions* %	Pension Increase %
1994	5.06	19.86	1.84
1993	6.25	8.10	2.07
1992	6.58	6.36	5.83
1991	8.10	9.90	4.83
1990	10.33	5.62	4.71
1989	-	•	4.07
1988	-	· •	4.40
1987	-	- · · ·	4.13
1986	-	-	3.84
1985	-	-	4.56
1984	-	•	7.07
1983	•	-	11.45

^{*} Based on a fiscal year ending March 31.