

Minutes – Business Committee

Meeting Venue:

Presiding Officer's office, 4th floor – Tŷ

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Meeting date: 1 October 2019

Meeting time: 08.30 – 08.50

Private

Attendance

Category	Names
Committee Members:	Elin Jones AM, Llywydd (Chair) Rebecca Evans AM Darren Millar AM Rhun ap Iorwerth AM Caroline Jones AM
Committee Staff:	Aled Elwyn Jones (Clerk)
Others in attendance	Ann Jones AM, Deputy Presiding Officer Siwan Davies, Director of Assembly Business Siân Wilkins, Head of Chamber and Committee Service Gwion Evans, Head of the Llywydd's Private Office Helen Carey, Welsh Government Elin Roberts, Policy Adviser to the Llywydd



1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

2 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes for the meeting were agreed by the Committee for publication.

3 Organisation of Business

3.1 This Week's Business

Tuesday

The Trefnydd reminded Business Managers that she will be answering FMQs in place of the First Minister.

- Voting Time will take place as the last item of business.

The Deputy Presiding Officer reminded Business Managers that there will be a short session of the Committee of the Whole Assembly immediately after voting time on Tuesday. This is to consider a motion to vary the order of consideration of amendments ahead of Stage 2 consideration of the Senedd and Elections (Wales) Bill.

She asked them to encourage Members to stay in the Chamber for the duration of that meeting – if there are fewer than 20 Members present then the meeting will be inquorate.

Wednesday

- All voting will take place before the Short Debate.

3.2 Three Week Timetable of Government Business

The Trefnydd notified Business Managers of the following change to Government Business for the next 3 weeks:

Tuesday 15 October 2019

Statement by the Minister for Housing and Local Government: Supporting Local Housing Authorities to secure long term housing options in the Private Rented Sector (45 mins) – Postponed until 5th November

3.3 Three Week Timetable of Assembly Business

The Llywydd informed Business Managers that Neil McEvoy has asked for NNDM7127 to be considered again by the Business Committee.

All Business Managers confirmed that their positions had not changed since last week, and agreed that they would not consider the same motion again, unless there was a material change in circumstances. The Llywydd asked Business Managers to let her know if their views or circumstances changed in such a way that might result in the Committee reaching a different decision.

Business Committee determined the organisation of Assembly business and agreed to schedule the following items of business:

Wednesday 9 October 2019 –

- Short Debate Jack Sargeant (Alyn and Deeside) (30 mins) – *postponed to 16 October*

Wednesday 16 October 2019 –

- Short Debate Jack Sargeant (Alyn and Deeside) (30 mins) – *postponed from 9 October*

Wednesday 23 October 2019 –

- Member Debate under Standing Order 11.21(iv) (60 mins)
- Debate on the Children, Young People and Education Committee report: School Funding in Wales (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)

4 Standing Orders

4.1 Reviewing Standing Orders

Any other Business Managers noted the paper and agreed the areas of Standing Orders for review. They agreed to discuss any further areas for review with their groups and return to the matter at the next meeting if necessary.

Any Other Business

The Llywydd asked Business Managers for their nominations for the members of the Committee on Assembly Reform. Rhun ap Iorwerth and Rebecca Evans agreed to confirm their groups' preferences as soon as possible, and Caroline Jones informed Business Managers that the Brexit Party would be nominating David Rowlands.