

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

October 1, 2018

Finance Update

Ms. Melanie Woodbeck, Deputy Registrar, reviewed the Year-to-date Financial Statements with Council.

New Governance Policies

Council approved following the Governance policies as part of the COO's ongoing governance manual updating project:

- Asset Protection Policy
- Vendor Relations Policy
- Investment Policy
- CEO Job Products Policy
- Council Staff Relationship Policy
- Registrar CEO Position Description
- Intellectual Property Policy

Council also approved updates to the Council and Council Committee Effectiveness Self-Evaluations.

Presentation by the College of Nurses of Ontario

Mr. Fazal Khan, Registrar, introduced two guest speakers from the College of Nurses of Ontario (CNO): Ms. Anne Coghlan, Executive Director & Chief Executive Officer, and Mr. Kevin McCarthy, Director of Strategy. Their presentation focused on the CNO's [Governance Vision 2020](#), which sets out a new recommended governance model for the CNO. Governance changes that CNO is working towards include reducing the size of Council to 12, having an equal number of professional and public members on Council, and appointing Council members based on specific attributes and competencies rather than electing them.

Jurisprudence Module Updates

Council approved updates to the Professional Boundaries and Sexual Abuse module of the Jurisprudence Handbook, to reflect changes to the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991* made in 2017 regarding the definition of a "patient".

Appointed Committee Member Policy Updates

Council approved updates to the Appointed Committee Member Policy to increase the pool of members available to sit on College committees and panels. A new category of appointed members will be created solely to sit on COO's Discipline Committee panels. The College will also increase the number of Appointed Non-Council Committee members from seven to eight.

Cyber Security Presentation by Azhar Laldin, Managing Director at Inscope

Mr. Azhar Laldin, Managing Director at Inscope Project Management & Consulting Inc., made a presentation to Council which focused on how organizations can prepare for and prevent cyber and information security breaches.

By-Law 6 Elections

Council approved two changes to Article 6.6 of the COO's By-laws, to clarify eligibility to vote in Council elections. The changes confirmed the COO's current practice of allowing only Registered Optician members who reside or practise opticianry to vote.

Council Fall 2018 and Winter 2019 meetings

In May 2018, the COO By-laws were updated so that Council business which has typically been completed in January will now be completed in December. This includes Council approval of the Committee slate, Executive Committee elections, and the election of Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs. It was confirmed that the December 2018 Council meeting will be two days: December 3rd and December 4th, to allow time for these approvals and elections to take place.

2017 Annual Report

Council reviewed and approved the 2017 Annual Report.