

BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Meeting No. 19

Date: June 23, 2012

Place: UBC – School of Social Work

Chair: Elizabeth Jones

Members present:

Ed Berry
Doris Darvasi
Susan Noakes
Leonard Ibbs
Gary Mavis

Curtis Magnuson
Bruce Northey
Colleen Spier
Chi Ying Wong

Regrets:

Susan Hogman

Staff in attendance:

John Mayr, Registrar
Christeen Young, Recorder

1) Call to Order -

The Chair of the Board called the meeting to order at 9:19am.

2) Approval of Agenda -

The members of the Board considered the draft agenda as previously distributed for the meeting. The agenda was accepted as circulated.

3) Approval of previous Minutes

The members considered the draft minutes from the meeting of the Board on April 14, 2012 as previously distributed.

Motion: To approve the draft minutes from the Board meeting of April 14, 2012.
The motion was adopted.

4) Business arising from previous Minutes

There was no business arising from the meeting minutes of the Board of April 14, 2012.

5) Standing Committee Reports

a) Executive Committee

The Chair reported on the activities of the Executive Committee. The committee has met twice since the last report with the main activities being finalizing the office relocation, staffing within the office, and legislative amendments. The Chair and the Registrar had a teleconference with the Deputy Minister for the purpose of discussing legislative amendments. The call was generally positive.

b) Finance Committee

The Chair of the Finance Committee presented the internal and not audited financial statements.

Motion: To accept for filing the internal financial statements.
The motion was adopted.

c) Inquiry Committee

The Chair of the Inquiry Committee reported that there continues to be a low number of active files. The Committee has completed *Professional Consultant and Investigator/Inspector*. The Inquiry Committee recently made a successful application to the Supreme Court for access to MCFD records. It is hoped that an information sharing agreement with the Ministry of Children and Family Development can be put in place so as to avoid the need to go to Court.

d) Registration Committee

The Committee presents a draft *Policy: Registration*, about applicants that do not have Social Work degrees, but have related degrees from accredited universities. There was general discussion about the policy. The Board provided direction to the Committee.

6) Registrar's Report

The Registrar provided the following updates to the members of the Board:

a) **Staffing:** The Registrar along with two members of the Board have identified two candidates for the professional practice positions at the College. The registrar will be checking references and will make offers for employment on the basis of good references. A new Office Coordinator was hired as of June 18, 2012.

b) CCSWR

i) Competency profile

The Competency profile is completed, but is awaiting final approval. Upon approval, the competency profile will be provided to members of the Board.

ii) Next steps

The Registrar has been appointed to the working group for the next phase of pan Canadian initiatives. Currently the group is considering three types of projects in follow up to the Competency Profile. These are 1) credential assessment and evaluation; 2) standards of practice; 3) bridge training.

c) Strategic planning update

Work continues on the initiatives identified in the strategic plan.

d) Exemptions workgroup

The Exemptions workgroup meets monthly via teleconference. Work continues on the plan to eliminate the exemption from registration for social workers employed by health authorities.

e) Tilma/New West Trade Agreement Dispute

The registrar provided a brief update to the members of the Board on this issue of the trade dispute. It appears that Alberta will call for a panel to hear the dispute. The College is developing a communications strategy to advise other regulated professions of this dispute.

7) Ongoing Business**a) Towards Developing A Respectful Relationship**

Development of material on this project continues. The project manager has met with the Registrar and the other members of the working group on two occasions. The next step is to complete the Behavioural Research Ethics Board applications for each of the three Universities.

b) Report from the ASWB Spring Meeting

Susan Noakes reported on the ASWB Spring Meeting and issues related to electronic practice.

c) Report from ASWB Board Member Training

The Board member who attended the ASWB training reported on the session. It is hoped that both remaining members will be able to attend training this year.

8) New Business**a) AGM Preparation and Final Details**

The members of the board discussed the AGM session scheduled to convene at 1300. The members looked forward to hosting the College's first video conference AGM in the

UBC School of Social Work with remote sites participating in Victoria, Kelowna, and Prince George.

9) Next Board Meeting: September 23, 2012 at the Opus Hotel

10) Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 11:41 am.
The motion was adopted.