

**BC College of Social Workers
Annual General Meeting**

Meeting Minutes

Meeting No. 24

Date: May 11, 2013

Place: UBC - School of Social Work

Chair: Elizabeth Jones

With remote locations via Video Conference:

Abbotsford- University of the Fraser Valley
Fort St. John – Northern Lights College
Kamloops – Thompson Rivers University
Kelowna – Kelowna General Hospital
Victoria- Queen Alexandra Centre

Members of the Board present in Vancouver

Andrea Harstone
Susan Hogman

Members of the Board present in Abbotsford

Doris Darvasi
Curtis Magnuson

Members of the Board present in Fort St. John

Ed Berry

Members of the Board present in Kamloops

Jacqueline Stokes

Members of the Board present in Kelowna

No members present.

Members of the Board present in Victoria

Bruce Hallsor Deborah Jones
Leonard Ibbs Susan Noakes Colleen Spier

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Staff in attendance:

John Mayr, Registrar
Chelsea Cooledge, Director of Professional Practice
Makhan Shergill, Director of Professional Practice
Nicole Abram, Registration Coordinator
Christeen Young, Recorder

1) Call to Order -

The Chair of the Board called the meeting to order at 1:00pm.

2) Quorum -

A count of registrants in attendance was taken for the purpose of establishing quorum as required by section 33(1) of the Bylaws for the College. There were 46 registrants and therefore a quorum present.

3) Approve Draft Agenda

The members of the Board and registrants considered the draft agenda as previously distributed for the meeting.

Motion: To accept the agenda as circulated.
The motion was adopted.

4) Minutes from June 2012 AGM

The members considered the draft minutes from the meeting of the Board on June 23, 2012 as previously distributed.

Motion: To accept the minutes of the Board on June 23, 2012.
The motion was adopted.

5) Business arising

There was no business arising from the last AGM meeting minutes of June 23, 2013.

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6) Report of the Board

The Chair delivered the report of the Board highlighting some of the activities that have taken place since the last annual meeting. The Chair acknowledged the end of term of Chi Ying Wong and Gary Mavis, and the resignation of Bruce Northey.

7) Report of the Registrar

The Registrar reported on activities of the College for the year ending December 31, 2012. The College is working on implementing strategic objectives identified in the strategic plan.

The Registrar commended members of the Board, committees, and College staff for their work over the past year.

8) Committee Reports

a. Finance Committee

i. Year Ended – December 2012

The Chair of the Committee reported on the results of the financial audit and reviewed the financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2012.

ii. Selection of Auditor

Motion: To appoint the Chartered Accountancy firm of McDonald Rickett as auditors for the College.

The motion was adopted.

b. Quality Assurance

The Chair of the Quality Assurance Committee reported on the activities of the Committee in the past year.

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c. Registration

The Chair of the Registration Committee reported on the activities of the Committee in the past year. As at the end of the year, there were a total of 2913 registrants as follows:

2589 Full
128 Clinical
196 Non-practicing

d. Inquiry

The Chair of the Inquiry Committee reported on activities of the Committee in the past year. The following statistics reflect the number of complaints received, and the action taken, during 2012:

- Files brought forward from previous year – 1
- New files – 11
- Total files – 12

Of these 11 new files:

- Active Investigations – 6
- No further action taken – 4
- Complaint dismissed by Registrar (pursuant to section 26 (2) of the *Social Workers Act*) - 1

e. Discipline Committee

The Chair of the Discipline Committee reported on the activities of the Committee in the past year. There was one outstanding Citation.

f. Registration Appeals

The Chair of the Registration Appeals Committee reported on the activities of the Committee in the past year. The College refused to grant an applicant from Alberta registration on the basis of lack of good character. The Trade Dispute Panel adjudicated the ongoing file of the applicant rejected by the College. It was determined that registration in one jurisdiction is not directly transferrable to another jurisdiction, without meeting the minimum requirements of the other province.

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9) Question and Answer

The Board of the College held an open question and answer period including addressing the initiatives of implementing a licensure exam for new applicants of the College and the Continuing Professional Development program.

10) Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the AGM at 3:15 pm.
The motion was adopted.

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