
COUNCIL MEETING

2020.01

March 12, 2020

PRESENT:

Michael Grand, Ph.D., C.Psych., President
Janice Currie, Ph.D., C.Psych., Vice-President
Judy Cohen, Public Member
Christine DiZazzo, M.Ps., C.Psych.Assoc.
Graeme Goebelle, Public Member
Emad Hussain, Public Member
Joyce Isbitsky, Ph.D., C.Psych.
Marjory Phillips, Ph.D., C.Psych.

Marilyn Keyes, Ph.D., C.Psych.
William Middleton, Public Member
Denise Milovan, Ph.D., C.Psych.
Patricia Minnes, Ph.D., C.Psych.
Melanie Morrow, M.A., C.Psych.Assoc.
Philip Ricciardi, Ph.D., C.Psych.
Wanda Towers, Ph.D., C.Psych.
Cory Richman, Public Member

GUESTS:

Doug Ross, Ministry of Health

STAFF:

Rick Morris, Ph.D., C.Psych., Registrar & Executive Director
Barry Gang, MBA, Dip.C.S., C.Psych.Assoc., Deputy Registrar / Director, Professional Affairs
Lesia Mackanyn, Director, Registration
Zimra Yetnikoff, Director, Investigations & Hearings
Caitlin O’Kelly, Assistant to the Registrar, Recorder

2020.01.00 CALL TO ORDER

The President called the meeting to order at 9:05AM.

2020.01.01 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND MINUTES

.01A APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The following changes were made to the agenda:

- Item .02a Registrar’s & Executive Director’s Report moved to .04a1
- Item .02c(2) Quality Assurance Report moved to .04g
- Item COVID-19 added to .04h

It was MOVED Goebelle

That the agenda for the Council Meeting be approved as amended.

CARRIED

.01B DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

.01C MINUTES FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING 2019.04 DECEMBER 13, 2020

It was MOVED Goebelle

That the minutes from the Council Meeting 2019.04 of December 13, 2019 be approved as presented.
CARRIED

.01D IN CAMERA MINUTES FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING 2019.04 DECEMBER 13, 2020

It was MOVED Currie

That the IN CAMERA minutes from the Council Meeting 2019.04 of December 13, 2019 be approved as presented.
CARRIED

.01E REVIEW OF ACTION LIST

The Council reviewed the Action List from the minutes of the previous meeting and noted items that were completed, outstanding or on the agenda at this meeting.

2020.01.02 CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was received.

2020.01.03 POLICY ISSUES

.03A PRESCRIPTION PRIVILEGES

The Ontario Psychological Association (OPA) has undertaken discussions with the Ministry of Health with respect to seeking legislative authority for qualified psychologists to prescribe medications as part of the treatment regimen for their clients/patients. The Registrar provided Council with a Briefing Note and copies of previous communications with OPA, from 2012, on this this matter. The Executive Committee is recommending that Council confirm the College's willingness to undertake regulatory responsibility should such authority be given. There was discussion as to whether Council should provide stronger support for the concept of prescription privileges but decided that further information and research on this issue would be needed before this could occur.

It was MOVED DiZazzo

That the Council confirm to the Ontario Psychological Association the College's willingness to undertake the regulatory responsibilities involved should the profession be granted prescription privileges.
CARRIED

Action Item Registrar

To send a letter to the OPA confirming the College's willingness to undertake regulatory responsibilities should the profession be granted prescription privileges.

.03B REVISED GUIDELINES FOR RETRAINING FOR SUPERVISED PRACTICE MEMBERS

The Registrar provided the Council with a Briefing Note outlining the Registration Committee's recommended changes to the College's *Guidelines for Retraining for Supervised Practice Members*. The Registration Committee's review of the *Guidelines* was initiated in conjunction with its revisions to the *Guidelines for Completing the Declaration of Competence* approved by Council in December 2019. The review was undertaken to address the Committee's concerns regarding the variability in the quality of

some training plans and to assist candidates and their supervisors to understand the College's expectations for preparing acceptable training plans. The Council reviewed and discussed the proposed changes. Council inquired if there was an issue with the two-year limit to complete this training. The Director, Registration clarified that a Certificate of Registration Authorizing Supervised Practice is issued for a maximum of two years. Candidates can begin this training however, before being issued with this Certificate.

It was MOVED Phillips

To approve the recommendations of the Registration Committee regarding changes to the *Guidelines for Retraining for Supervised Practice*. CARRIED

Action Item Staff

To amend the *Guidelines for Retraining for Supervised Practice*.

2020.01.04 BUSINESS ISSUES

.04A(1) REGISTRARS & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

This item was moved from the Consent Agenda. Council discussed the implications of Council becoming unconstituted due to insufficient public members. The Registrar reported that other Colleges have, within the past year or two, encountered this situation. They have taken the position that the Executive Committee, which was duly elected by the Council, while constituted, is able to continue to function. This being the case, the Executive could exercise Council's powers, as set out in the Health Professions Procedural Code [12(1)], which gives the Executive Committee "all the powers of the Council with respect to any matter, that in the Committee's opinion, requires immediate attention other than the power to make, amend or revoke a regulation or bylaw."

.04A REGISTRATION COMMITTEE QUARTERLY REPORT

The Council reviewed the third quarter report from the Registration Committee.

.04B INQUIRIES, COMPLAINTS AND REPORTS COMMITTEE QUARTERLY REPORT

The Council reviewed the third quarter report from the Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Committee.

.04C PROPOSED BUDGET 2020-2021

The Registrar provided the Council with the proposed budget for the fiscal year June 1, 2020 to May 31, 2021. He reported that the budget was reviewed by the Finance and Audit Committee at their teleconference on January 27, 2020 and by the Executive Committee at their meeting of February 7, 2020. The proposed budget anticipates a deficit in the amount of \$361,227.

It was MOVED Goebelle

That the budget for 2020-2021 be approved.

CARRIED

.04D REGISTRAR'S PERFORMANCE REVIEW: IN CAMERA

This agenda item was discussed **IN CAMERA** in the absence of the Registrar, the Recorder and all other non-Council individuals in attendance. The Minutes for this item were taken by the President.

It was MOVED Middleton

That the Council go IN CAMERA to discuss the Registrar's Performance Review.

CARRIED

At the end of the **IN CAMERA** meeting,

**It was MOVED Middleton
That the IN CAMERA meeting be ended and the open meeting of the Council be resumed. CARRIED**

.04E NOTICE: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS/COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

The Registrar provided the Council with copies of *By-law 4: Election of Members of Executive Committee* and *By-law 5: Selection of Committee Chairs and Committee Members* and advised Council of the process for seeking election to the Executive Committee. Council was also informed that a Call for Interest for Committee appointments will be sent to the general membership and that Council members also will be asked to identify their Committee preferences.

As Ms. Judy Cohen's term on Council is ending, the Executive Committee requires another public member to finish the term. Mr. Cory Richman was nominated and acclaimed to the Executive Committee for the period March 23, 2020 to June 11, 2020.

.04F PRESIDENT'S & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

The President reported on activities during the third quarter.

.04G QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Council discussed the third quarter report from the Quality Assurance Committee. Council inquired on the number of non-compliance cases with the Quality Assurance program. It was noted that the numbers are slightly higher as this is the first year of the Continuing Professional Development audits. In answer to a question, it was reported that the QA staff make numerous informal efforts to obtain the required information from members prior to moving to a more formal request or referral to the QA Committee.

.04H COVID-19

Council discussed the current COVID-19 situation. The membership has been sent updates and these will continue as needed.

2020.01.05 STRATEGIC ISSUES

.05A STRATEGIC DIRECTION IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

The Registrar provided the Council with the updated *Strategic Direction Implementation Table*. Items added since the Council Meeting of December 13, 2019 were shown in **Bold**.

2020.01.06 OTHER BUSINESS

.06A NEXT COUNCIL MEETINGS:

- June 12, 2020
- September 24 – 25, 2020

2020.01.07 ADJOURNMENT

Prior to adjournment, the President presented Certificates of Appreciation to the following Council Members who will be completing their terms on Council:

- Ms. Judy Cohen – 9 years
- Ms. Christine DiZazzo – 3 years
- Dr. Patricia Minnes – 7 years

There being no further business,

**It was MOVED Goebelle
That the Council Meeting be adjourned.**

CARRIED

The Council Meeting was adjourned at 1:00PM.

Michael Grand, Ph.D., C.Psych., President

Denise Milovan, Ph.D., C.Psych., Vice-President

Minutes approved at the Council Meeting on June 12, 2020