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Board Meeting – May 14, 2026
Online

Participants: Debbi Stanyer (Chair), Bob Redden (Vice Chair) (until 10:32 am), Corinna Hoodicoff (Past Chair), Kathryn Graham, Kim Klaczek, Gabrielle Hindley (out from 10:00 – 10:35 am), Keenan Rudichuk, Seán Sharpe, Salman Azam, Alison Dennis, Jason Kuzminski (until 10:00 am), Mark De Croos (at 10:51 am)

Staff: Christine Houghton (CEO), Laura Plante (guest, incoming CEO), Elaine Vale (Registrar), Samuel Pittman (Director of Practice), Helen Taraskin (Director, Finance/Ops), Cameron Dexter (Sr. Manager, Compliance), Isaac Anderton (Sr. Manager, Registration) Sue Owen (Sr. Manager, Practice), Boris Chow (Manager, Strategic Initiatives), Tory Davis (Manager, EO/Communications), Eugenia Fernandez (Registration Officer), Sharon Stewart (Finance Officer), Adriana Hurtado (Policy Officer), Farzaneh Mousavi (Sr. Administrative Officer), Betsy Hagerty (Administrative Officer), Josie Byington (Administrative Officer).

Minutes

Start Time: 9:00 am

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action item(s)	Due/Status (Lead)
1) Call to Order **a. Swearing of Oath of Office**	Debbi called the meeting to order at 9:02am. Christine Houghton, as CEO, administered the oath of office to Board members. All Board members swore the oath.	• **Board members to sign Oath and Agreement of Expectation forms and send them to Josie by June 15, 2026.**	
2) Adoption of Agenda **a. New business**	Debbi presented agenda. There was no new business. MOTION to adopt agenda by Kat Graham, seconded Bob Redden. MOTION PASSED. Debbi provided the Land Acknowledgement.		

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3) New Board – Motion to confirm composition of new Board **a. Introductions** **b. Motion to destroy 2026 election ballots**	Board members introduced themselves. <u>MOTION to confirm composition of Board for 2026/2027:</u> • Debbi Stanyer, Chair • Bob Redden, Vice Chair • Corinna Hoodicoff, Past Chair • Kat Graham • Kim Klazcek • Gabrielle Hindley • Keenan Rudichuk • Salman Azam, Lay Board Member • Alison Dennis, Lay Board Member • Mark De Croos, Lay Board Member • Jason Kuzminski, Lay Board Member <u>Moved by Bob Redden, seconded by Keenan Rudichuk. MOTION PASSED.</u> <u>MOTION to destroy 2026 election ballots by Gabrielle Hindley, seconded by Seán Sharpe. MOTION PASSED.</u>		
4) Chair's Remarks	Debbi welcomed the new Board members and staff, and thanked Board members for their service. Debbi reflected on the theme of continuity and change within the College, noting that resiliency is a strength shown by Board and staff when navigating the changing regulatory environment.		

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	Debbi welcomed Laura Plante, the incoming CEO, and acknowledged the work of the CEO Hiring Committee members and outgoing CEO Christine Houghton to affect a smooth transition. Debbi reviewed the goals of the College and stated she looks forward to a productive and engaged year ahead.		
5) Conference 2026 review	Christine noted strong sponsorship revenue received at the 2026 conference. Board members provided feedback about the conference and provided suggestions for the next conference, which will be reported at the June Board meeting.		
6) Board (re)orientation: **a. College overview** **b. Good governance principles** **c. Rules of order** **d. Board expectations**	Christine delivered presentation.	• **Staff to populate Board folder in the portal with resources.**	
7) Confirmation of electronic decisions **a. Appointment of 2026 financial auditor**	<u>MOTION to confirm the decision to reappoint KPMG as the financial auditor for the 2026 fiscal year, with the option to renew for up to two additional one-year terms by Alison Dennis, seconded by</u>		

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	Kennan Rudichuk. MOTION PASSED.		
8) Board business **a. 2026/27 Board meeting dates**	Debbi facilitated setting board meeting dates for the next year: • June 24-25, Kamloops • September 24-25, TBD • November 26-27, TBD • February 18-19, TBD • April 7, Penticton	• **Staff to send calendar invitations to Board and staff.** • **Staff to investigate venues.**	
9) Adjournment	MOTION to adjourn at 11:05 am by Kat Graham, seconded by Alison Dennis, MOTION PASSED.		

Next meeting date:

June 24-25, 2026
Kamloops

Debbi Stanyer, RPBio

Chair

Laura Plante

Laura Plante

Chief Executive Officer