

Extraordinary Council Meeting – October 15, 2020

Videoconference

Participants: Brian Clark (President) (left at 12:25pm, returned at 12:30pm), Alexandra Tait (Vice-President) (left at 12:25pm), Corinna Hoodicoff, Megan Hanacek, Theresa Fresco, Sean Sharpe (left at 11:35am, returned at 11:59am), Brittany John, Cairine Green, Jocelyn White, Victoria Burdett-Coutts, Steve Henstra, Vanessa Craig (Past President) (left at 11:00am)

Staff: Christine Houghton (Executive Director), Derek Marcoux (Registrar), Shona Lawson (Director of Practice), Tory Davis (EO/Communications Officer)

Regrets:

Draft Minutes

Start Time: 10:00am

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action item(s)	Due/Status (Lead)
1) Call to Order	Brian called the meeting to order and confirmed quorum		
2) President's Remarks	<p>Brian noted that the bylaws are not exciting reading, but it is imperative that Council reads and understands the document because it dictates how the organization will operate</p> <p>Brian also noted he was impressed with staff and legal for producing the document in a short period of time</p>		
3) Adoption of agenda a) New business	<p>Brian introduced several changes to the agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agenda item no. 7 (Terms of reference compliance revisions (Decision note no. 2) has been tabled until the November Council meeting Staff have introduced a decision note regarding an Indigenous Training Opportunity for 		



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	<p>discussion during Agenda item no. 8 (Other business)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian added a discussion regarding recent communications with the Association of Professional Biology to Agenda item no. 8 (Other business) • Jocelyn introduced an item regarding convention of a working body to operate the Linda Michaluk Scholarship Fund process for discussion during Agenda item no. 8 (Other business) <p><u>MOTION to adopt agenda as amended by Sean Sharpe, seconded by Cairine Green. MOTION CARRIED.</u></p>		
4) Professional Governance Act update	<p>Christine articulated that due to the BC election <i>interregnum</i> period, it is highly unlikely that the Professional Governance Act will be implemented as scheduled</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cabinet is not meeting and due to the proliferation of mail-in votes, the composition of the government may not be known for up to two weeks after the polls close • Enactment of The PGA will in all probability be delayed <p>The College continues to work to a November deadline of having critical pieces in place for when the Act comes into force.</p>		
5) Bylaw review a) Policy table of contents	Christine delivered presentation and reviewed bylaws		



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b) Completed policies	<p><i>Discussion and questions related to this agenda item compiled in separate document (see attached)</i></p> <p>Will need to review bylaws again in November after input from OSPG for final ratification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May require extraordinary meeting outside of scheduled November 2020 meeting <p><u>MOTION to accept bylaws as presented in principle by Sean Sharpe, seconded by Cairine Green. MOTION PASSED.</u></p>		
6) On-leave voting/ volunteering (Decision note no. 1)	<p>Christine presented decision</p> <p>Currently, on-leave registrants cannot vote or participate in committees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inconsistent with retired registrants who are non-practicing <p>EGBC doesn't separate retired registrants from on-leave registrants – both are non-practicing and have voting and participation rights for non-technical committees</p> <p><u>MOTION to adopt recommended Option 1 – Grant same participatory and voting privileges to temporary withdrawal (on-leave) full registrants as to retired registrants; allow on-leave in-training registrants to volunteer for non-technical working bodies (excluding statutory committees) – by Jocelyn White, seconded by Brittany John. MOTION PASSED.</u></p> <p><i>Brian Clark left the meeting, Jocelyn White assumed the Chair</i></p>		



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7) Terms of reference compliance revisions (Decision note no. 2)	<i>Tabled until November meeting</i>		
8) Other business a) Indigenous Training Opportunity (Information note no. 1) b) Linda Michaluk Scholarship Fund process and participation c) Communications with the Association of Professional Biology update	<p><i>Brian Clark resumed the Chair</i></p> <p>Shona introduced information note regarding participation in Indigenous training opportunity</p> <p>Jocelyn explained process of Linda Michaluk Scholarship Fund; Jocelyn is seeking volunteers for the Working Group that handles applications and review of applicants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeline would be March 2021 (delayed somewhat to accommodate implementation of PGA) with announcement at AGM in April 2021 • Brian and Sean offered to participate <p>Brian provided update on communications with Association of Professional Biology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College legal counsel has recommended that joint communications not be pursued due to perception of alignment with advocacy groups • APB has suggested sending letters separately which may not be legally advisable neither 		
9) Adjournment	<u>MOTION to adjourn at 12:34pm by Steve Henstra. MOTION CARRIED.</u>		



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Next meeting date:

November 20, 2020
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Brian Clark, RPBio
President

Christine Houghton
Chief Executive Officer