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The Council will invest in ensuring that Council skills, processes and supports will remain sufficient to assure their regulatory and governance responsibilities.

Definitions	Direct expenses	Means meeting costs, legal advice, witness expenses, third party monitoring of regulatory performance, external support, and training of statutory committee members.
	Regulatory work	Means all activities associated with regulating Registrants of the profession, including all statutory functions of the College.

Accordingly,

- 1 The Council will determine an annual budget for direct expenses associated with fulfilling its broad regulatory Council objectives. As such:
 - a) Chairs of Statutory Committee's will propose an annual work plan and budget which will be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) as part of their budget cycle;
 - b) The CEO will budget for the direct expenses associated with internal College governance, including meeting expenses of the Council and its Committees.

- 2 Council skills, processes and supports will be sufficient to assure governing with excellence. In this regard, the Council commits to the following duties and responsibilities.
 - a) Training, retraining and mentoring to orient Council members and candidates for Council membership, as well as maintaining and increasing existing Council member skills and understanding in all areas.
 - b) Outside monitoring assistance will be arranged so that the Council can exercise confident control over organizational performance. This includes but is not limited to a financial audit.
 - c) Outreach mechanisms will be used as needed to ensure the Council's ability to gather and assess other viewpoints.
 - d) Evaluation processes for the Council to understand its effectiveness as a whole and as individual members of the Council.

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