Council Highlights January, 26 2022 (Meeting #27¹)

The Council of the College of Naturopaths of Ontario met on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 from 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Six of the seven elected professional members and six of the six public members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council were present. Also in attendance was General Legal Council Rebecca Durcan and Richard Steinecke of the law firm Steinecke Maciura LeBlanc. The agenda and supporting materials for the meeting were released via the College's website on January 19, 2022 and continue to be available on the College's website.

In addition to its regular routine business and receipt of reports from each of the Chair and Chief Executive Officer as well as the Operating Report, the Council considered several important matters which have been highlighted below.

Enterprise Risk Management Policy - The Council considered and accepted the recommendation from the Governance Policy Review Committee to approve the newly drafted Governance Policy GP32.00 found here on our website.

Risk Committee – Terms of Reference – The Council considered and accepted the recommendation from the Governance Policy Review Committee to approve the newly drafted Terms of Reference for the Risk Committee found here on <u>our website</u>.

College Reserves & Registrant Fees - Ms. Agnes Kupny, Director of Operations, reminded the Council of a decision made by the Executive Committee in September 2019 to conduct a review of the College's reserves and Registrant fees after five full fiscal years of finances. A recommendation was being made to postpone this review until one additional year of full College operations can be included. This is due to the College's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and not being able to operate College programs fully. The Council approved this deferral.

Draft Capital & Operating Budgets - fiscal year 2022-23 – Ms. Kupny presented draft Capital and Operating budgets to the Council for their initial review and feedback noting that the Council would be asked to accept the final versions of these budgets at their March 2022 meeting.

Committee Appointments - Council was informed of a recent volunteer application and accepted the recommendation of appointment to College Committees from the Governance Committee.

Council Education – As a part of the College and its Council's commitment to good governance, the Council conducted an educational exercise. Ms. Erica Laugalys, Director of Registration & Examinations, conducted a program briefing about the Registration Program. Program briefings are provided for informational purposes to ensure the Council is aware of all the complex programs operated by the regulatory body.

¹ This is the 27th meeting of the Council dating back to its first meeting held following proclamation of the *Naturopathy Act, 2007* on July 1, 2015.

Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) Framework Presentation – Mr. Richard Steinecke of the law firm Steinecke Maciura LeBlanc, provided a detailed and interactive presentation to the Council members about the concepts in relation to ERM.

In-camera Portion – The Council held an in-camera portion of their meeting pursuant to paragraph (d) of section 7(2) of the HPPC to discuss personnel matters.

Readers who have questions are invited to contact the College by e-mail at general@collegeofnaturopaths.on.ca.

Andrew Parr, CAE Chief Executive Officer January 27, 2022