# FINAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 11, 2023 Online via Zoom



# **Registrant Board Members**

Regional Electoral District 1 Rebecca Martin, PAg (Vice Chair); Natasha Neumann, PAg

Regional Electoral District 2 Jessica Morgan, PAg (Chair); William Shaw, PAg

Regional Electoral District 3 Warren Mills, PAg; Yasemin Parkinson, PAg; Kirk Phair, PAg (Treasurer)

Past Chair (non-voting) Jane Kerner, PAg

Lay Board Members Brock Endean; Carla Corbett Schiller, RPBio

BCIA Staff

JP Ellson, CEO/Registrar & General Counsel

Laurena Olsen, Deputy Registrar

Tess Karuvetti, Operations and Financial Coordinator (recorder)

BCIA Staff (absent)

Jasmine Wong, PD Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm

#### 1. Call to Order

The Board Chair called the meeting to order and confirmed guorum was met, which included at least one Lay Board Member present.

# 2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to accept the agenda as presented. Carried

## 3. Audited Financial Statements Update

The BCIA Treasurer provided an updated on the audited financial statements. The auditor has all the necessary information now and an online portal is available for viewing updates and requests. Four auditing team members are working on the project with no firm timeline at this point but will contact them in two weeks for additional details. A contract has been signed.

#### 4. Professional Development (PD) Audit Update

The CEO/Registrar provided a verbal update referencing a written report by Bonnie Keleher, BCIA Contractor. The Deputy Registrar provided additional details and shared the new database features which will greatly enhance the way the data is generated. It is mostly a random selection but also a selection of chosen registrants mingled in to ensure the quality of the audit; targets repeated offenders.

# 5. 2024 BC Land Summit Update

The CEO/Registrar provided a verbal update referencing a written report by the BC Land Summit Society Chair, Dave Crossley. Two potential keynote speakers have been identified. Spaces will be assigned for PD sessions focused on agrology. On September 15<sup>th</sup>, BCIA staff will join staff of the other partner organizations in a meeting to discuss the planning of events. A PD committee is formed and Jasmine Wong will be the BCIA representative with other volunteers needed to assist in the planning.

#### 6. OSPG Annual Report

The Office of the Superintendent of Professional Governance (OSPG) has completed the annual report and is presented to the Board as an informational piece only. All regulators had input to the report. Foreign credentialing is a focus of OSPG for 2023.

## 7. Update on June Credentials Committee Meeting

The Deputy Registrar provided a verbal update. The following points were noted: LLAg applications were discussed; a selection of Indigenous, science focused courses are now considered qualifiers for the online listings; statistics presented relating to resignations and on leave requests in 2022 vs 2023.

## 8. Discussion on September Board Governance Training

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The training will be paid out of reserves, not operational costs as this benefits the registrants and the organization. It was proposed to invite the Committee and Working Group Chairs to the training session in Nanaimo September 22-24, 2023. Consider inviting the two strategic planning reps as the strategic plan ties into governance.

**Motion** to extend the invitation to the committee and working group chairs, or an appointed member, including the two strategic planning representatives to attend the Board Governance Training, September 22-24, 2023 in Nanaimo in accordance with the current expense policy. **Carried** 

The CEO/Registrar mentioned to the Board that five names have been presented for lay member appointments on the Board and committees by CABRO. The plan will be to interview the candidates during the summer.

Motion to go in camera at 8:13 pm. Carried

Motion to go out of camera at 9:59 pm. Carried

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:02 pm. Carried