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## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

December 8, 2022 (11:20am – 3:50pm)
Hybrid Meeting

Present

Kerri LaBrecque RD-Chair Anahita Djalilvand RD

Ann Watt RD
Denis Tsang RD
Donna Hennyey RD
Lesia Kicak RD
Julie Slack RD

Karine Dupuis Pominville RD Israel Ogbechie, Public Member

Ray D'Sa, Public Member

Santhikumar Chandrasekharan, Public Member

Sharanjit Padda, Public Member

Regrets

John Regan, Public Member

Staff

Melanie Woodbeck - Registrar & Executive Director

Jada Pierre - Executive & General Office

Administrative Assistant

Lisa Dalicandro - Manager, Governance & Operations

Diane Candiotto RD - Practice Advisor & Policy

Analyst

Samantha Thiessen RD - Practice Advisor & Policy

Analyst

ITEM & DISCUSSION	ACTION
1.0 Call to Order K. LaBrecque opened the meeting with a Land Acknowledgement.	The meeting was called to order at 11:53 a.m. by K. LaBrecque Chair.
2.0 Approval of Agenda	MOTION to approve the agenda as circulated.
	Moved by: K. LaBrecque Seconded by: S. Chandrasekharan
	Carried
3.0 Declaration of Conflict of Interest and Bias	
No conflict of interest was declared.	
Information Items (Consent Agenda) 4.0 Council Meeting Minutes:	MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda.
September 30, 2022	Moved by: D. Tsang
5.0 Executive Committee Report	Seconded by: A. Watt
	Carried

ITEM & DISCUSSION	ACTION
6.0 Management Report	The Board accepted the report for information.
M. Woodbeck presented the management report to the Board and highlighted key information, including:	
<ul> <li>Finance HR and Corporate Services</li> <li>Revenues and expenses on budget</li> <li>CDO in compliance with investment policy</li> <li>Staffing transitions in progress</li> <li>Staff continue to engage in EDI-B training</li> <li>New external IT support vendor contracted</li> <li>Communications</li> <li>Public awareness campaign re-launched,</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>generating immediate results</li> <li>First campaign on the Canadian Health Media         Network launched     </li> <li>Social media strategy performing well</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Relational communications audit completed</li> <li>Professional Practice and QA</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Reg talks webinars on practising dietetics concluded</li> <li>Annual workshop in progress</li> <li>SDL tool completed</li> </ul>	
Registration  Renewal period concluded  CDRE exam administered  Governance and Oversight	
<ul> <li>CPMF soft launch</li> <li>HPRO received a government grant to support EDI-B projects</li> </ul>	
The Board requested that staff include the eight benchmarks identified in the CPMF in the next iteration of the management report.	

## **ITEM & DISCUSSION ACTION** The Board accepted the report for information. 7.0 Risk Monitoring Report M. Woodbeck reviewed the risk assessment and mitigation efforts for the third quarter and reported that a new risk was identified – public member appointments and succession planning. Other areas where risk and mitigation plans have been reassessed: Accreditation provider transition Regulatory governance changes Succession planning/staff turnover and retention Increasing costs of regulation 8.0 Virtual Care Policy MOTION to approve in principle the draft virtual care S. Thiessen presented the draft virtual care standards standards and guidelines for dietitians in Ontario with and guidelines for dietitians in Ontario on behalf of the revisions for consultation with registrants and system Professional Practice Committee (PPC). The draft partners. standards and guidelines will support RD's engagement in virtual care dietetic practice and will allow the CDO Moved by: K. LaBrecque Seconded by: S. Chandrasekharan to keep pace with emerging best practices. S. Thiessen reported that the draft standards and **Carried** guidelines are based on practice advisory inquiries, the timelines of this issue in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, and an exponential increase in the use of modality of practice. The Board requested that the draft policy be revised to highlight clients and health care providers working together to determine virtual care preferences and needs, and to include more detail on privacy considerations when emailing clients. 9.0 Social Media Policy MOTION to approve in principle the proposed draft D. Candiotto presented the draft social media social media standard and practice guidelines for standards and practice guidelines for dietitians in dietitians in Ontario as recommended by the Ontario on behalf of the PPC. The draft standards and Professional Practice Committee for consultation with guidelines clarify the required behaviours by which an registrants and system partners. RD's performance can be evaluated, serve as a basis for assessing whether RDs fulfill their professional Moved by: K. LaBrecque responsibilities when using social media and allows the Seconded by: A. Djalilvand

Carried

CDO to keep pace with emerging best practices.

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10.0 Board Meeting Evaluation Survey Revisions M. Woodbeck presented proposed revisions to the Board meeting evaluation for implementation at the December meeting. The purpose of these changes is to align the Board's meeting evaluation with the CDO's work in governance modernization and EDI-B.  The Board agreed to use the proposed questions to evaluate the December meeting.	MOTION to approve the proposed evaluation questions.  Moved by: D. Tsang Seconded by: A. Watt  Carried
11.0 Regulatory Trends Update  M. Woodbeck presented an update on regulatory trends that were highlighted at the fall conferences attended by staff. The following trends were identified:  • Workforce planning • Communications and social media • EDI-B, trauma and bias • Governance • Virtual impact-workforce • Right-touch regulation • Risk lens • Data collection  M. Woodbeck reported that the work undertaken by the CDO to accomplish its strategic plan aligns with many of the trends identified.  12.0 Extending the Strategic Plan  The Board considered the proposal to extend its strategic plan for one additional fiscal year, from the current end date of March 2024 to March 2025. M. Woodbeck explained the rationale for extending the strategic plan is due to the deferral of projects and resources caused by the uncertainty of the pandemic and the leadership changes that occurred over 2021-2022.  The Board agreed with the proposal to extend the strategic plan for an additional year.	MOTION to approve extending the current strategic plan by one fiscal year until March 2025.  Moved by: S. Chandrasekharan Seconded by: I. Ogbechie  Carried

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13.0 Adjournment	Motion to adjourn at 3:29p.m. was moved by K. LaBrecque.
	Carried

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K. LaBrecque RD, President	Jada Pierre, Recorder
March 27, 2023	March 27, 2023
Date	Date