



COLLEGE OF TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE PRACTITIONERS AND ACUPUNCTURISTS OF ONTARIO

MEETING OF COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

December 12, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
705-55 Commerce Valley Drive West, Thornhill, ON L3T 7V9

Consent Agenda

The following reports were approved by Council via the consent agenda, highlights are provided.

Registration Committee Report (Current to December 12, 2018)

- The 2018 Pan-Canadian Examination Written Component was held on October 23, 2018. 251 registered to write the examination, 190 were successful, 60 were unsuccessful and 1 did not write. The Clinical Case Study examinations will be held on January 19, 2019.
- 2018 was the first year the application process for the Pan-Canadian Examination was completed online. The Pan-Canadian experience survey was updated to capture applicant responses and feedback on this process.
- The College has 2413 registered members:
 - General Class R. TCMP 1181 and R. Ac. 1170
 - Student Class R. TCMP 3 and R. Ac. 11

Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Committee (ICRC) Report (Current to December 4, 2018)

- The College has thirty-six (36) pending files under review and investigation. Of those 36 files, 19 are complaints, and 17 are Registrar Investigations.
- Since the last report to Council in September 2018 there have been seven (7) complaints filed with the College. At the request of the Registrar, there has been two (2) investigation commence since the last Council meeting.

Quality Assurance Committee Report

- 10% of the membership was selected at random and notified to submit their annual self-assessment prior to March 8, 2019.
- A Record-Keeping Webinar was held on October 10, 2018. With 626 of the 794 registered members participating. The webinar included a one-hour pre-recorded video and a live question and answer period. The webinar received very positive feedback with a request for more professional development opportunities future.
- The Committee is reviewing new and updated standards of practise which include, fees and billing, record keeping, obtaining patient consent, and infection control.

Patient Relations Committee Report

- The Committee met via teleconference in November 2018.
- A standard incorporating the changes from the Protecting Patients Act, 2017 was developed providing direction on managing professional boundaries and prevention of sexual abuse, emphasizing the College's zero-tolerance position on any conduct that betrays the trust and confidence of the public.
- The application for requesting funding in support of those who have been sexually abused by members is being updated.

Discipline Committee Report (Current to November 30, 2018)

- The Committee scheduled three discipline hearings in Q3. One uncontested hearing, and two penalty hearings.
- The Committee completed and released their decisions for five cases:
 1. [Yatwah Cheung](#)
 2. [Xiang \(Tina\) Lan](#)
 3. [Chao Yan](#)
 4. [Chenghua Zhan](#)
 5. [Diana Turevski](#)The decisions are available on the College's [website](#).
- No pre-hearing conferences have occurred in the Q3 reporting period.
- There are 6 open cases which have been referred to the Discipline Committee by ICRC

Council Deliberations

Election of Officers

An election was held for the recent vacancy of the Vice-President position in accordance with College By-Laws. Council elected Mr. Ming C. Cha to the position of Vice-President with the term ending March 2019.

Mr. Ming C. Cha was a current member of the Executive Committee, leaving a vacancy for another Professional Member to complete the remaining term. An election was held in accordance with College By-Laws. Council elected Mr. Xianmin Yu to the Executive Committee with the term ending March 2019.

Inquires, Complaints and Reports Committee (ICRC)

Council appointed Mr. Yuqi Yang as a non-Council Committee Member to the ICRC Committee. Mr. Yang previously sat on the ICRC as a member of Council. Mr. Yang will continue until March 2019 to assist with finalizing open matters at the committee. Council thanks Mr. Yang for his continued commitment to the work of the College in protecting the public interest.

District 2 By-Election

As no nominations had been received, the closing date for nominations to the District 2 By-Election was extended until November 8, 2018. The Registrar has set the closing date for voting as January 7, 2019. Electoral District 2 is comprised of the counties of Haliburton, Northumberland, Peterborough, and Simcoe, the city of Kawartha Lakes, and the regional municipality of Durham. The Registrar received three nominations prior to the close of Nominations on November 8, 2018. This position will complete the term of the vacant position, ending 2020.

Work Plan

The Council was updated on the progress of the work plan and the initiatives for 2018 – 2021.

Dr. Title Working Group

Council was updated on the interim report from Malatest & Associates for Phase 1. The Committee met with the Consultant at Malatest to review the findings and set the basis for the in-depth questionnaire with professional members and members of the public to be conducted in early 2019.

Citizen Advisory Group (CAG)

Council was advised the College has joined the CAG partnering with 14 other health regulatory colleges. This will provide the College with opportunities to seek input and consult with a group of public members on various matters requiring public feedback.

Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care

Council was updated on the organizational structure changes as announced by the Hon. Christine Elliot, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health and Long-Term Care. The Health Workforce Regulatory Oversight will now be under the portfolio of the Assistant Deputy Minister, Patrick Dicerni

By-Law Revision

Council reviewed and approved the changes to the By-Laws following the consultation with members and stakeholders. These Additional By-Law amendments will bring the By-Laws in line with changes from the *Protecting Patients Act, 2017* and changes to Schedule 4 - Fee Schedule. The changes will come into effect on February 1, 2019.

Third Party Credential Assessment

Council reviewed and approved the Revised Required Documents Policy and Revised Alternative Document Policies put forward by the Registration Committee. These revised policies effective, April 1, 2019, will require a 3rd party assessment to validate and verify documents and credentials submitted by candidates from internationally educated programs.

Financial Update

The Council received the most recent financial reports for Quarter 2.

Human Resources Manual

Council was made aware of a change to Policy 18 Alcohol, Cannabis and Substance Abuse to bring it in line with the current employment standards.

Council Meeting Dates for 2019

Monday, March 25 and Tuesday, March 26, 2019

Thursday, June 27, 2019

Monday, September 30, 2019

Wednesday, December 11, 2019