

**College of Pharmacists of British Columbia
Annual General Meeting
Burnaby, British Columbia
Saturday, 3 November 2001**

CALL TO ORDER

College President Erica Gregory called the 110th annual general meeting of the College of Pharmacists of British Columbia to order at 3:05 p.m. President Gregory welcomed pharmacists and guests to the meeting, noting that the quorum requirement was met.

President Gregory presented the College's mission statement ("Safe and effective pharmacy practice outcomes for the people of British Columbia"), as well as her presidential mission statement ("To positively support the pharmacists of BC in achieving safe and effective pharmacy practice outcomes for the people of British Columbia").

She introduced Registrar Linda Lytle, and the College's auditor, Tony Crerar of Grant Thornton LLP Chartered Accountants.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - 12 OCTOBER 2000

The minutes of the annual general meeting of 12 October 2000 were approved by consensus.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Tony Crerar, Grant Thornton LLP Chartered Accountants, presented the College's 2000-2001 audited financial statements and answered questions about the report. President Gregory noted that the audited financial statements had been reviewed and approved by the Audit Committee and the Council and included in the 2000 / 2001 Annual Report booklet distributed to members.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Gregory noted that 85 pharmacists from other provinces have registered in BC under the provisions of the Mutual Recognition Agreement since 1 January 2001, when the agreement was implemented in BC.

Mrs. Gregory stated that the *Pharmacists, Pharmacy Operations & Drug Scheduling Act* needs to be amended in order for bylaw amendments to prohibit the sale of tobacco in pharmacies to be enacted. The earliest opportunity for amendments to be made to the *Act* is the spring of 2002, when the legislature convenes. In light of this requirement, the Council has recommended a bylaw implementation date of 1 July 2002.

President Gregory noted that the Rx CARE Program has been suspended. Extensive consultations are scheduled with pharmacists and other stakeholders to determine what course should be taken in the future.

REGISTRAR'S STATISTICAL REPORT

Registrar Lytle reviewed portions of her statistical report, noting that there was a net increase of 18 licensed pharmacies (42 openings and 22 closures). At the end of February 2001, there was a total of 846 licensed pharmacies, of which 79 were hospital pharmacies and 767 were community pharmacies. There were 3200 registered pharmacists at the end of February 2001.

Registrar Lytle recognized the Honourary Members: Leroy Fevang
Dr. Finlay Morrison
Dr. Bernard Riedel
Norman Thomas
Norman Zacharias

She also recognized staff that work with her at the College and thanked them for their contributions to the College's successful operations.

A moment of silence was observed for registrants and former registrants who had passed away during the year.

ANNUAL REPORT

President Gregory invited comments or questions regarding the 2000-2001 Annual Report, which had been mailed to registrants earlier.

The Registrar responded to a question about the Ontario College of Pharmacists' membership status in the National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities.

REPORT OF COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Elections were held in District 1, 3, 5 and 7. Wayne Rubner and Caren Heughan were elected in Districts 1 and 3. Janice Reynolds and Carol Gee were elected by acclamation in Districts 5 and 7. President Gregory presented Wayne Rubner, Caren Heughan, Janice Reynolds, Carol Gee and Government Appointee Neil Cook with Councillor lapel pins.

The 2001 – 2002 Councillors were introduced to the annual general meeting participants:

Wayne Rubner	District 1
Amin Bardai	District 2
Caren Heughan	District 3
Erica Gregory	District 4
Janice Reynolds	District 5
John Hope	District 6
Carol Gee	District 7
Frank Abbott	Dean, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, UBC
Christine Liotta	Government Appointee
Peter Rubin	Government Appointee
Tania Jarzebiak	Government Appointee
Neil Cook	Government Appointee

CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION

President Gregory presented Shawn Sandhu (in absentia), Bill Creighton, Tinka von Keyserlingk, and Curt Jordan with Certificate of Recognition awards for their terms as Councillors for the College of Pharmacists of British Columbia.

FIFTY-YEAR PRACTICE AWARDS

President Gregory presented six individuals with the Fifty-Year Practice Award to honour their long-term service to the profession and to the public. The Registrar highlighted their careers and contributions.

John Burchhill
Donald Dickie (*not present*)
Henry Ho
William Melville
Kenneth Pearse (*not present*)
Kenneth Reid (*not present*)

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

President Gregory recognized Mark Collins (in absentia) with the Certificate of Merit for his three-year term as Chair of the Hospital Committee.

RESOLUTIONS

President Gregory explained that decisions made at the annual general meeting regarding resolutions are advisory in nature, and that the College Council is not bound by the advice, due to its responsibilities to its primary stakeholder, the citizens of the province, and the potential for conflict with the interests of College registrants.

Resolution 1

It was moved, seconded and defeated

The College of Pharmacists of British Columbia be requested to replace value IX of the Code of Ethics with the following: "While treating each patient with equal dignity and respect, no pharmacist may be required to participate in an activity that in conscience he considers to be immoral. The exercise of conscientious objection must not put the person receiving care at risk of harm or abandonment."

A speaker made points for the motion. The vote was by a show of voting cards.

ADJOURNMENT

President Gregory thanked the assembly for attending the meeting and participating in College affairs. She then announced that there would be a brief meeting of Council immediately following the annual meeting and adjourned the 110th meeting of the College of Pharmacists of British Columbia at 3:45 p.m.