

Annual General Meeting

Vancouver, British Columbia
November 21, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

College Chair Randy Konrad called the 118th annual general meeting of the College of Pharmacists of British Columbia to order at 4:22 p.m. Chair Konrad welcomed pharmacists and guests to the meeting. He noted that the quorum requirement was met.

Chair Konrad presented the College's mission statement:

To ensure British Columbia pharmacists provide safe and effective pharmacy care to help people achieve better health.

He introduced Registrar Marshall Moleschi, Vice-Chair John Hope and College Auditor Donna Diskos of Grant Thornton LLP Chartered Accountants.

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The November 22, 2008 annual general meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Donna Diskos, Grant Thornton LLP Chartered Accountant, presented the College's 2008-2009 audited financial statements and offered to answer questions about the report. There were none.

Chair Konrad noted that the audited financial statements had been reviewed and approved by both the Audit Committee and the Board and were included in the 2008-2009 Annual Report which had been distributed, via email, to registrants and is posted on the College website.

CHAIR'S REPORT

(Given his recent appointment as Board Chair, Randy Konrad called on Past Board President Michael MacDougall to give the report).

Past-President MacDougall recapped his message from the 2008-2009 Annual Report, acknowledging that these are exciting, yet challenging, times for not just the profession of pharmacy but all healthcare professions.

He reminded attendees that this past year saw significant advancements for the profession with an expanded scope for pharmacists, ongoing development, both provincially and nationally, with the initiative to regulate pharmacy technicians and the laborious transition to the *Health Professions Act*.

Past President MacDougall concluded by commenting that as a non-pharmacist and a government appointee he was honoured to have served as President during this evolving period.

REGISTRAR'S STATISTICAL REPORT

The Registrar reviewed portions of his statistical report, noting that there was a net increase of 36 licensed pharmacies in the past fiscal year with 16 closures and 52 openings resulting in a total of 1,087 licensed pharmacies at the end of February 2009.

The net increase in pharmacists in the fiscal year was 160, bringing the total of registered pharmacists at the end of February 2009 to 4,379. The net increase of 160 pharmacists resulted from the addition of 384 pharmacists, through new registrants and those returning to practice, less a total of 224 pharmacists who, for various reasons, transferred to non-practicing.

The Registrar concluded his report by recognizing staff that work with him at the College and thanking them for their contributions to the College's successful operations.

ANNUAL REPORT

Chair Konrad invited comments or questions regarding the 2008-2009 Report, which had been circulated to registrants earlier. There were none.

REPORT OF BOARD ELECTIONS

As a result of the College's transition to the *Health Professions Act* on April 1, 2009 all 7 districts were required to participate in the Fall 2009 elections with odd numbered districts elected for a 2-year term and even numbered districts for a 1-year term.

The 2009 – 2010 Board members were introduced to the AGM participants:

Chair Randy Konrad, District 1 Board Member
Vice Chair John Hope, District 6 Board Member
Bev Harris, District 2 Board Member
Allan Greene, District 3 Board Member
Doug Kipp, District 4 Board Member
Chris Hunter, District 5 Board Member
Bruce Beley, District 7 Board Member

The government members who have been appointed to the College Board until October 1, 2010 were introduced to the AGM participants:

Margaret Cleaveley of Kamloops
Penny Denton of Prince Rupert
Michael MacDougall of West Vancouver
John Scholtens of Langley

AWARDS

Past President / Chair Plaques

Chair Konrad presented Michael MacDougall with a plaque for his service as Past President of the College of Pharmacists from November 2008 to June 2009.

He commented that unfortunately Dennis Primmatt was unable to attend the AGM but his plaque for his service as Board Chair from June 12, 2009 – October 23, 2009 will be forwarded to him.

Volunteer Honour Roll – Gold Certificate

One Gold Certificate is awarded each year to a College volunteer who has made an outstanding contribution to the profession during the year as a result of their volunteering.

Chair Konrad acknowledged this year's recipient Lorna Kroll of Kroll's Pharmacy. Lorna was recognized for her years of service as a member of the Quality Assurance Committee (formerly the Board of Examiners) and in particular for her enormous contributions of time and effort in the development of the Learning & Practice Portfolio. Unfortunately, Lorna was not able to attend the AGM but her award will be forwarded to her.

RESOLUTIONS

Chair Konrad advised that one resolution had been submitted to the College by Liakatali Jawa, Nimet Karmali and Judy Lau, which was circulated to registrants on October 5, 2009. No late resolutions were received by the deadline of noon on November 18, 2009 and no resolutions are accepted from the floor at the AGM.

Before inviting Liakatali Jawa to speak to the resolution and open the floor up for comments, Chair Konrad reminded registrants that while the College Board will give careful consideration, at their next scheduled Board meeting, to resolutions brought forward at an AGM, the Board cannot be bound by the outcome of the resolution(s) due to the potential for conflict with the Board's overriding duty to serve and protect the public.

Resolution 1

Submitted by Liakatali Jiwa, Nimet Karmali, and Judy Lau

BE IT RESOLVED:

That, incentives for prescription services in the form of Air miles/Points/Cash-backs are unprofessional and counter-productive to patient health and should be disallowed.

Following a diverse and respectful debate on the resolution, the vote was called.

MOTION DEFEATED

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Konrad thanked the assembly for attending the meeting and acknowledged College staff for their contributions to the College's successful operations. The 118th meeting of the College of Pharmacists of British Columbia was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.