

# **A n n u a l G e n e r a l M e e t i n g**

**Vancouver, British Columbia  
November 17, 2012**

## **CALL TO ORDER**

College Chair Doug Kipp called the 121<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting of the College of Pharmacists of British Columbia to order at 9:30 a.m. Chair Kipp welcomed pharmacists and guests to the meeting. He noted that the quorum requirement was met.

Chair Kipp presented the College's mission statement:

*To protect the public by ensuring that College registrants provide safe and effective pharmacy care to help people achieve better health.*

He introduced all Board members and College staff in attendance as well as College Auditor Donna Diskos of Grant Thornton LLP Chartered Accountants.

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - NOVEMBER 19, 2011**

The November 19, 2011 Annual General Meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Donna Diskos, Grant Thornton LLP Chartered Accountant, presented the College's 2011-2012 audited financial statements and offered to answer questions about the report. There were none.

## **ANNUAL REPORT**

Chair Kipp invited comments or questions regarding the 2011-2012 Report, which had been circulated to registrants earlier. There were none.

## **CHAIR'S REPORT**

College Chair Doug Kipp thanked Deputy Registrar Suzanne Solven for acting as Registrar for 8 months while the Board selected the new Registrar. He spoke about the importance of effective integration of newly registered pharmacy technicians into the College's regulatory process, as well as the important work the College has done in regards to ensuring registrants involved in providing methadone maintenance services to patients are adhering to the policies and procedures that are in place for consistency and to ensure patient safety. Looking forward to the coming year, Chair Kipp is hopeful and will continue to advocate for the removal of tobacco products from pharmacies in the interest of patient safety and the protection of the public.

## **REGISTRAR'S REPORT**

College Registrar Bob Nakagawa recognized the Board and College staff for the work they do and the contributions they make towards the College's successful operations and on the registrants' behalf. He also made a special thank you to Suzanne Solven for her work as Acting Registrar after the departure of Marshall Moleschi to become the Registrar of the Ontario College of Pharmacists.

Registrar Nakagawa reported that the number of pharmacy technicians may continue to increase to up to 5000 over the next few years. Registrar Nakagawa indicated his commitment to ensuring that pharmacy technicians are fully integrated into College functions and governance.

Registrar Nakagawa expressed concern regarding the increase in both the number and complexity of complaints against pharmacists in the last year. The number of complaints has increased from 104 to 141 but of those complaints, more complex conduct and competence complaints increased from 21 to 67. While this pales in comparison with the total number of patient encounters that pharmacists have on an annual basis, it is still a concern for the College. He also reported that in recent years the number of cases that proceed to discipline has been minimal, but this may not continue to be true. The College's responsibility is to make sure that the pharmaceutical system is safe and effective, and that the public continue to have great confidence and trust in it.

## **REPORT OF BOARD ELECTIONS**

Registrar Nakagawa reported that elections were held this Fall in Districts 2, 4, 6, and 8. The elected members were:

Bev Harris, District 2  
Doug Kipp, District 4  
Anar Dossa, District 6  
Bal Dhillon, District 8

The term of office is 2 years.

In addition, government appointed Board member Kris Gustavson was re-appointed to a 3-year term. New government appointee Jeremy Walden was appointed to a 3-year term and Ryan Hoag was appointed to a 2-year term.

## **AWARDS**

### **Volunteer of the Year – Wayne Chen**

Each year the College awards an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the profession through volunteering on College committees. Chair Kipp presented Wayne Chen of London Drugs in Burnaby with the Volunteer of the Year award for his involvement in College activities since 2003 as a member of the Discipline Committee. Mr. Chen is very dedicated and committed to the College and the discipline process and has been appointed chair on several panels that have been extensive and arduous.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

Chair Kipp advised that no resolutions had been submitted to the College.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Kipp thanked the assembly for attending the meeting and adjourned the 121<sup>st</sup> meeting of the College of Pharmacists of British Columbia at 9:57 a.m.