Council Meeting Highlights - October 2015

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Susan Knowles RD, President

Barbara Major-McEwan RD, Vice President

Erin Woodbeck RD

Najmudin Hassam, Public Councillor

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Elected Councillors

Alida Finnie, RD Susan Knowles, RD Alexandra Lacarte, RD Abigail Langer, RD Barbara Major-McEwan, RD Suzanne Obiorah, RD Nicole Osinga, RD Erin Woodbeck, RD

Public Councillors

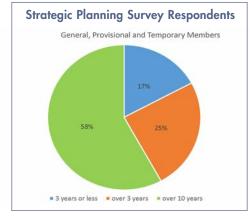
Najmudin Hassam Shelagh Kerr Julie McKendry Elsie Petch Ray Skaff Claudine Wilson

MEMBERS APPOINTED TO COMMITTEES

Khashayar Amirhosseini, RD Edith Chesser, RD Dianne Gaffney, RD Renée Gaudet, RD Susan Hui, RD Sobia Khan, RD Kerri LaBrecque, RD Grace Lee, RD Kerri Loney, RD Marie Traynor, RD Cindy Tsai, RD Krista Witherspoon, RD

STRATEGIC PLANNING DAY - OCTOBER 22

Council considered the results of an environmental scan which included a summary of comments from 451 RDs who provided input during the *Strategic Planning Consultation* for the College's new strategic plan (2016 to 2020) to identify issues that have the greatest impact on safe dietetic practice, client-centred care and public safety in dietetics.



We wish to thank all of the RDs who participated

in the environmental scan and gave their input through the Strategic Planning Survey. Council, committees and staff continue to work on the strategic plan. The final draft will be submitted to Council for approval at the February 2016 Council meeting.

COUNCIL MEETING - OCTOBER 23

Budget

Council reviewed a half-year report of College expenses and noted that the expenses were less than budgeted by 1%. Council approved \$56,065 to be transferred from the Hearings Reserve Fund to cover legal fees related to a College discipline matter.

Standards of Consent

Council considered the comments submitted by members regarding the draft *Professional Practice Standard: Consent to Treatment and for the Collection, Use & Disclosure of Personal Health Information* (Standards of Consent) circulated from July 9 to September 9, 2015. The draft will by revised and resubmitted for Council approval at the February 2016 Council meeting.

The College to participate as a full partner in the Clinic Regulation Working Group

This year, a working group of health regulatory colleges has been exploring the regulation of clinics in Ontario to strengthen the protection of the public interest. The Working Group has developed a preliminary clinic regulation model for consultation, and they intend to use feedback from stakeholders to help improve and refine the model. The model recommends new legislation that would closely mirror the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991*. Clinics would be regulated by a separate regulatory body, whose Council would be comprised of representatives from the health regulatory Colleges and members publicly appointed by government. After discussion, Council voted to join the working group as a full partner. Next steps will include a consultation with stakeholders, including College members.

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