Board Highlights

May 2011

The following are highlights from the CRNM Board of Directors meeting held May 12, 2011 in Winnipeg. For more information or clarification on any issue, please contact Robin Finney, President or Diane Wilson Máté, Executive Director.

DECISIONS

Red River College Bachelor of Nursing Program Approval

Following review of an independent evaluators report and upon the recommendation of the CRNM Education Program Committee the Board decided to grant continued conditional approval to the Red River College Bachelor of Nursing Program until September 1, 2012.

Governance Committee Report

The Board decided to move forward with a Board education plan recommended by the Governance Committee

Cathy Rippin-Sisler, President-Elect, presented the results of an evaluation of the part-time president's role along with recommendations from the Governance Committee:

- that the 2012 President-Elect position be maintained and advertised as a part-time 50% role
- that continued evaluation of the role be done throughout 2011-2013
- the time commitment for the role of President-Elect for the 2014 election be evaluated in time to advertise in the fall of 2013

The Board voted to adopt the recommendations with an amendment to evaluate policy GP-2 (the role of the President) and with the inclusion of a compensation costing model in light of duties being possibly re-assigned.

Policy Changes

The Board approved changes to Registration Policy R6: Language Testing. Revisions to this policy were made to reflect recommendations made by the National Language Fluency Working Group, a national group comprised of participants representing the registered nurse regulatory organizations including Manitoba. These revisions include changes to acceptable tests and their scores to be consistent with other nursing regulatory organizations across Canada.

Appointments

The Board made the following appointments:

AGM Scrutineers

- Bev Sterling
- Gary McPherson
- Judy Harapiak
- Martin Gutnik
- Catherine Robertson (chief scrutineer)

Board of Directors

- Lorne Gibson (public representative)
- Don Himbeault (public representative)

Investigation Committee

- Patsy Addis-Brown (public representative)
- Mona Livingstone RN
- Heidi Wiebe RN

Extended Practice Advisory Committee

- Brenda Peters-Watral RN(EP)
- Cynthia Holland RN(EP) (appointed as Chair)

Finance Committee

- George Prosk (public representative)

The following reappointments were made:
Investigation Committee

- Liz Polakoff RN
- Claire Abraham RN

2011 CRNM Voting Papers

The Board approved the destruction of the 2011 voting papers after 1200 hours on June 5, 2011.

MONITORING REPORTS

Monitoring reports for the following policies were received and approved:

- Executive Expectations Policy: Financial Condition (EE-4)

INFORMATION and DISCUSSION

President's Report

President Robin Finney provided a verbal update to her report including a recap of several meetings she attended recently including the International Council of Nurses' conference. Robin also shared feedback she had received from members during the proposed fee increase consultations she conducted throughout April. Robin updated the Board on the progress and recent expansion of the College's Centennial Committee.

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Diane Wilson Máté updated the Board on some operational planning the staff at the College are currently undertaking. She also updated the Board on some upcoming changes to the Extended Practice Regulation and a situation of unauthorized practice.

September Board Meeting Communication Plan

The Board reviewed a communication plan for the September Board meeting.

Review AGM Agenda and Processes

The Board reviewed the agenda and processes for the Annual General Meeting.

Service Awards

The Board recognized outgoing Board members Michelle Atchison RN, Judy Harapiak, Catharine Robertson, Marilynne Hogg RN, Heli Dedi RN, Martin Gutnik, Shirley Goerzen RN and Cindy Renner RN.