

Council Highlights
March 30, 2022 (Meeting #28¹)

The Council of the College of Naturopaths of Ontario met on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 from 9:17 a.m. to 11:41 a.m. Seven of the seven elected professional members and five of the seven public members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council were present. Also in attendance was General Legal Council Rebecca Durcan of the law firm Steinecke Maciura LeBlanc. The agenda and supporting materials for the meeting were released via the College's website on March 23, 2022 and continue to be available on the [College's website](#).

In addition to its regular routine business and receipt of reports from each of the Chair and Chief Executive Officer as well as the Operating Report, the Council considered several important matters which have been highlighted below.

Q3 Unaudited Statements and Variance Report – The Council considered and accepted the unaudited financial statements as presented for Q3 (October 1 – December 31, 2021).

College Performance Measure Framework (CPMF) Report – The Council reviewed and accepted the CPMF Report to be submitted to the Ministry of Health and also found here on [our website](#).

Biomedical Examination (BME) Blueprint – The Council considered and accepted recommendations from the Registration Committee for amendments to the BME Blueprint which is an element of the Exam Committee (Entry-to-Practise) which undertakes regular reviews of the examination blueprints. Amendments made were to remove the patient population information from the other parameters section within the Blueprint found here on [our website](#).

Clinical Sciences Examination (CSE) Blueprint – The Council considered and accepted recommendations from the Registration Committee for amendments to the CSE Blueprint which is an element of the Exam Committee (Entry-to-Practise) which undertakes regular reviews of the examination blueprints. Amendments made were to add clarity and robustness of competencies within the Blueprint found here on [our website](#).

Alternative Documentation Policy – The Council considered and accepted recommendations from the Registration Committee for amendments to the Alternative Documentation Policy which is an element of the Registration Program Policies. Policy has been created as a guideline should an applicant encounter exceptional circumstances outside of their control, where College-required documentation to support an application for registration or an assessment within the PLAR program cannot be obtained. This can be found here on [our website](#).

Proof of Identity Policy – The Council considered and accepted recommendations from the Registration Committee for amendments to the Registration Policy which is an element of the Registration Program Policies. Amendments were required due to new Alternative Documentation policy, and to update policy definitions, terminology, and language to align with the newer policies under the College. This can be found here on [our website](#).

¹ This is the 28th meeting of the Council dating back to its first meeting held following proclamation of the *Naturopathy Act, 2007* on July 1, 2015.

Annual Operational Plan 2022-2025 – The Council reviewed and accepted the Annual Operational Plan for fiscal year 2022-23 and the following two fiscal year’s planning. This can be found here on [our website](#).

Annual Capital and Operating Budgets 2022-23 – Ms. Kupny, Director of Operations, presented to the Council for review and acceptance the draft Capital and Operating Budgets for fiscal year April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023, and two additional fiscal year’s estimates – both budgets were approved as presented.

Council Education – As a part of the College and its Council’s commitment to good governance, the Council conducted an educational exercise. Ms. Erica Laugalys, Director of Registration & Examinations, conducted a program briefing about the Examinations Program. Program briefings are provided for informational purposes to ensure the Council is aware of all the complex programs operated by the regulatory body.

In-camera Portion – The Council held an in-camera portion of their meeting pursuant to paragraph (d) of section 7(2) of the HPPC to discuss personnel matters.

Readers who have questions are invited to contact the College by e-mail at general@collegeofnaturopaths.on.ca.

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