

Council Highlights
May 29, 2024 (Meeting #41¹)

The Council of the College of Naturopaths of Ontario met on Wednesday, May 29, 2024, from 9:16 a.m. to 12:10 p.m.; six of the seven elected professional members and four of the five 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 May 24, 2024, and continue to be available there.

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

Executive Committee Elections – The Council held the election of Officers for the coming year. The election results are as follows, Dr. Jordan Sokoloski, ND (District 8) has been re-elected as Council Chair, Mr. Dean Catherwood, Public member, has been elected as Council Vice Chair, Mr. Paul Phillion, Public member, has been elected to an Officer-at-Large (Public) position, Dr. Amy Dobbie, ND (District 7) has been elected to one of two Officer-at Large (Professional) positions and Dr. Denis Marier, ND (District 1) has been re-elected to the second Officer-at-Large (Professional) position.

Q4 Unaudited Statements and Variance Report – The Council considered and accepted the unaudited financial statements as presented for Q4 (January 1 – March 31, 2024).

Proposed by-law Amendments – The Council reviewed and approved the proposed by-law amendments and agreed to authorize that the changes not be circulated for a 60-day consultation period but instead, that stakeholders be informed of the changes.

Committee Appointments – The Council received and approved a proposal for appointment or re-appointment of over 70 volunteers to its various statutory and non-statutory (Council) committees for the current year.

Council Education – As a part of the College and its Council's commitment to good governance, the Council conducted an educational exercise that was a program briefing made by Mr. Jeremy Quesnelle, Deputy CEO, about the Discipline Program and the Inquiries, Complaints & Reports Program. Program briefings are provided for informational purposes to ensure the Council is aware of the complex programs operated by the regulatory body.

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

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Chief Executive Officer
June 11, 2024

¹ This is the 41th meeting of the Council dating back to its first meeting held following proclamation of the *Naturopathy Act, 2007* on July 1, 2015.