

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT Readout<sup>1</sup> - Board of Directors Meeting February 23-24, 2024

In late February, the CPA's Board of Directors met virtually for its winter board meeting. As part of its commitment to understanding the role of psychology in human rights and social justice, this Board meeting consisted of a special virtual workshop with, previous CPA awardee, Egale Canada entitled *"2SLGBTQI Workplace Inclusion: Considerations for Leadership"*.

During the Board meeting, the Board:

- Received an operational/workplan update and risk management report from the CPA's Chief Executive Officer.
- Received written updates from each of the CPA's partner representatives (Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive Science, Council of Professional Associations of Psychology, Council of Canadian Departments of Psychology, Canadian Council of Professional Psychology Programs).
- Received written updates on the activities of the CPA's various committees and working groups.
- Approved a motion that the CPA's Human Rights and Social Justice Committee be renamed to the CPA's Equity and Human Rights Committee, with two sub working groups: human rights, equity and diversity.
- Approved the Student Section 2024 budget.
- Approved accreditation site visitor motions to increase the doctoral program annual fees to \$3500 per program for the 2024-2025 academic year, and to \$4000 per program for the 2025-2026 academic year. In addition to an increase to the residency program annual fees to \$2600 per program for the 2024-2025 academic year, and to \$3000 per program for the 2025-2026 academic year
- Received an update from the CEO on the ongoing process of updating the CPA Operating Regulations and shared standardized Terms of Reference templates created for Board and Management Committees.
- Received an update on my presidential initiatives which included the Equity Deserving Student Bursary Working Group, the Equity Diversity Inclusion and Belonging Framework Working Group, next steps for the Artificial Intelligence Working Group and an update on the development of an online Continuing Professional Development course on the history of anti-Black racism and its impact on psychology.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Readout: a document that summarizes the content of a meeting; official statement

Many thanks to the Board and Partner representatives for their ongoing work on behalf of the CPA. Should you have any questions about the Board meeting or the Board's work, please direct your questions to governance@cpa.ca.

The Board will meet next virtually in May to receive the 2023 audit and then again in person in June 2024.

Sincerely, Dr. Eleanor Gittens President, 2023-2024 Canadian Psychological Association