

**Readout<sup>i</sup>**  
**Canadian Psychological Association (CPA)**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**June 15, 16 & 19, 2022**

**The CPA Board of Directors met at the Hyatt Regency in Calgary, Alberta on June 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at which time the following topics were discussed, and decisions made:**

- The CFO presented the Board with:
  - The 2022 Budget update
  - An investment portfolio update
  - The April 30, 2022 interim financial statements
  - The Management Fiduciary Statement
  - An update on the CPA/CPAP professional liability insurance program
- CPA's partner associations – the Council of Canadian Departments of Psychology (CCDP) and Council of Professional Associations of Psychologists (CPAP), reported on their activity since the February 2022 CPA Board meeting. The Council of Professional Psychology Programs (CCPPP) and the Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive Science (CSBBCS) annual meetings were occurring after the board meeting. For information on the activities of these organizations, please visit their respective websites.
- The President shared the CEO's notice of retirement and expressed thanks for all of Dr. Cohen's hard work, leadership and dedication to the association and highlighted that her retirement will be a great loss to the association.
- An update was provided on the recent work of the CPA Governance Coach consultation including next steps and recommendations.
- A motion was passed that the Board ask the CPA Human Rights and Social Justice in Psychology Committee to nominate a representative to PCUN and ask the Student Section to nominate a student representative to PCUN, for approval by Board as is done for appointment of representatives to other international organizations.
- A motion was passed to approve the proposed policy on gender-based violence. Senior staff will pull recommendations from the policy and create an action plan.
- Policy approved in principle: Promotion of Gender Diversity and Expression and Prevention of Gender-Related Hate and Harm.
- Policy approved in principle: School Psychology Section's position on role of psychologists in schools.
- The CEO and senior staff shared the 2021-22 CPA Annual Report which details staff-led activity, organized by the CPA's 2020 Strategic goals. Also presented to the Board was an updated risk

management report, detailing the status of any risks facing the Association. Issues discussed in the context of the Operations Report included:

- CPA operational policy in relation to Sections. Senior staff to draft policy for further Board discussion.
  - Possible policy positions on: corporate partnerships and endorsements, CPA statements on world events, Psychopharmacology Section brief on prescriptive authority
  - An update on the CPA's practice management partner agreement.
  - An update on vendor selection for a database to support accreditation reporting.
  - Use of the CPA logo on an unauthorized website and updates to the CPA's Wikipedia pages.
  - Glenn Brimacombe, CPAs Director of Policy and Public Affairs, presented at the Board meeting on options for a 2022 Lobby Day: messaging, objectives of a lobby day, and the role of advocacy. The Board agreed that there should be an in-person lobby day in the fall of 2022.
  - The Global Psychology Alliance (GPA) Resolution to support UN Sustainable Development goals (3, 10, 13) on promoting health and wellbeing, redressing inequality within and among countries, taking action to combat climate change has been endorsed by CPA. The Director Representing Practice will continue to represent CPA on the GPA.
  - An update on the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Psychology Foundation of Canada (PFC) was shared and a sunset of MoU was supported by the Board. A new MoU to support the Legacy Awards has been suggested by the PFC (now called Strong Minds Strong Kids). Further discussion required on how we work together moving forward.
  - A membership benefits report was shared with the Board.
- CPA's Pillar Committees (Science, Education and Training, Practice) submitted their reports to the Board. The following were highlighted:
    - Science grants received twice the number of applications of past years. This member benefit has been much appreciated.
    - Fact sheet videos continue to be released.
    - Board of Director Representing Science has completed his term and was thanked for his commitment during his time in the seat.
    - Practice Summit recommendations next steps - future and direction was discussed.
    - Work on Psychology Commons, which features the content of various CPA Fact Sheets, and is led by Dr. Meghan Norris continues and intersects with Education when goals align.
  - No nominations were received for the Board of Director position representing Science when the call went out to the membership in April. As allowed for in CPA's by-laws, a motion was passed at the June meeting to appoint Dr. Nicolas Roulin as the Director Representing Science for a 1-year term. Another election call will go out in 2023 to fill the Science seat for a three-year term.
  - A motion was passed approving the appointment of Dr. Douglas Cane as Chair of the CPA Accreditation Panel for a term of two years beginning in June 2022.

- The Council of Sections and CPA Board Annual Dinner Meeting was held in Calgary at the time of the convention. Outgoing Board member and Chair of the Council was thanked for her work on the Board. Challenges and next steps for the role were shared.
- A nomination was received by the Board from the International Relations Committee to appoint Dr. Lindsay McCunn as the new IUPsyS delegate. The motion to appoint Dr. McCunn was passed.
- The Students Section provided an update on the proposed collaboration with the South African Student Division of Psychology. The CPA Students Section Representative to work with the CEO on the proposed wording of the MoU and return to Board for further discussion.
- Update on CPA2022 was provide to the Board. The convention registration numbers (1294 in person and 100 virtual) have shown that members want to travel and be back in-person. The struggles of a virtual/hybrid conference were highlighted – we are not a full hybrid conference; we are an in-person conference with some virtual elements. The CPA will not be able to financially maintain the high cost of virtual elements year after year.
- A motion was passed supporting the Professional Affairs Committee and the Section on Psychologists and Retirement working together to develop guidelines for file retention and disposition.
- Board Liaison to the Committee on Ethics was thanked for his hard work and dedication during his term on the CPA Board.
- CEO thanked all 3 presidential officers, on behalf of management, for being a great team to with which to work. She noted that this was the CPA’s first all-female/non-male team of presidential officers and first all female/non-male Finance, Administration and Audit Committee in the history of CPA

The next CPA Board meeting will be held in late October/early November.

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