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Public and Stakeholder Engagement Pathways

1. Background

The College is committed to actively and openly engaging with parents, the public and stakeholders through various forums on an ongoing basis. While not an exhaustive list, engagement activities currently include:

- Meeting regularly with various stakeholder groups.
- Holding all regular meetings of Council in a public forum and making appropriate supporting documentation available via the College website.
- Communicating with members and the public through social media.
- Distributing monthly e-newsletters to Ontario Certified Teachers and applicants (*Your College and You*), and quarterly e-newsletters to parents and the public (*The Standard*).
- Hosting information webinars for stakeholders and members of the education community.
- Making presentations to teacher education program candidates to provide up-to-date information on certification requirements.
- Hosting regular information sessions for internationally educated teachers.
- Offering opportunities to associations, regulators and groups that work with students, parents, families, teachers, business professionals and new Canadians to invite a College speaker to present on a number of education topics.

2. Program Elements

To support the College's commitment to increasing engagement, members of the public and education stakeholders may also make requests to receive information on various topics or to share information that may be of interest to Council, by submitting a request to the Registrar and CEO.

Additionally, the College will establish an email address to receive communications specifically related to governance matters. Upon preliminary review by College staff within the Policy, Governance and Tribunals Department, and subject to the Registrar and CEO's discretion, any communications found to be related to governance and within Council's purview will be flowed through to the Council Chair and/or Council (at the Council Chair's direction).

The College will endeavour to respond to governance-related communications within 14 days of receipt. Responses may include:

- Correspondence that addresses the request or provides information that has been requested.
- An invitation to virtual meetings or telephone discussions with senior College staff.
- Forwarding questions or concerns to key College staff for their response.
- Other appropriate communication opportunities that may be recommended by the Council Chair and/or the Registrar and CEO.

In addition to or instead of the above, the Registrar and CEO, and the Council Chair, may determine that a presentation to Council would be the most appropriate course of action. Should this determination be made, College staff within the Policy, Governance and Tribunals Department will, on behalf of Council, invite the requesting party to present at a future Council meeting.

All presentations at Council meetings will conform with the following parameters:

1. Presentation topics must be relevant to the objects of the organization and in the public interest.
2. Presentations will be received during a regularly scheduled timed item on the Council agenda. This item will be scheduled at the start of the meeting following introductory comments, approval of the agenda, and conflict of interest declarations.
3. There will be no more than two public presentations per Council meeting. Each presentation may be up to 10 minutes in length, irrespective of the number of speakers, with 10 additional minutes permitted for questions of clarification from Council members and responses from the presenter.
4. No audio/visual equipment or technical assistance will be available for the presentations aside from access to the virtual meeting video teleconferencing program.
5. Supporting materials, if any, must be received by the Registrar at least 14 days before the meeting and will be provided to Council. Materials received after that time will not be provided to Council.
6. Presentations may be given by an individual or group of individuals.
7. Expenses incurred by individuals involved in the presentations will not be borne by the College.
8. No debate shall occur during the initial presentation to Council or the question-and-answer session. As noted above, only questions of clarification are permitted.
9. Council members will be advised of the presentation schedule in advance of the meeting via the meeting agenda. The public agenda posted on the College's website will note the schedule for presentations.

10. Content from a presentation may be discussed by Council members at the relevant business item on the agenda. If no relevant business item exists, the presentation content may be added to a future meeting agenda for discussion.
11. Following discussion of the presentation information, Council members may decide to do one or more of the following:
 - receive and acknowledge the presentation
 - refer the presentation content to a subcommittee for review and report back to Council
 - request that the Registrar and CEO gather additional information and report back to Council
 - add to a future Council or subcommittee agenda as a follow-up item
 - invite a statutory or regulatory committee to consider adding the matter to a future meeting agenda.