



Memo

Date: June 29, 2020

To: Members of Council

From: Chantal Côté
Vice-Chair, Editorial Board

Subject: Report of the Editorial Board

Committee Meeting Dates

Due to COVID-19, the Editorial Board reviewed the contents of the September 2020 edition of *Professionally Speaking* and *Pour parler profession* remotely, from June 10 to 19. A special meeting was also held on September 21, 2020 to elect a committee chair.

Summary of Reviews and Decisions

The board approved three feature articles for publication: preparing students for the future; OCTs working in remote parts of Ontario; and what to do when personal views conflict with professional obligations.

The board approved one letter to the editor as well as the *Great Teaching/Pratique exemplaires* article on OCTs who excel at applying the guidance outlined in the College's professional advisory on *Supporting Students Mental Health*.

Content for Connections, Reviews, Tech Class, Cyberspace and Governing Ourselves was also approved. The board approved Final Exam, which profiles actor Hamza Haq, star of the TV series *Transplant*.

The board approved a proposed future topic for a feature article exploring how inequity is being addressed in school boards across the province, and what is being done to improve the system when it comes to the inequality of student pathways.

The Editorial Board was also updated on the magazine distribution pilot, launched in September 2018, to provide readers of *Pour parler profession* with the functionality to select their preferred method(s) of receiving the College's official publication: via mail, email or both. On April 28, 2020, this initiative was permanently adopted and expanded to enable readers of both the English and French editions to make the same choices going forward. It is promoted through the College's e-newsletter, *Your College and You*, and in the masthead of both *Professionally Speaking* and *Pour parler profession*.

At a special meeting held on September 21, 2020, the committee elected a new committee chair as noted in the motion for Council's consideration referred to below. The committee also elected a new vice-chair, Éleine Legault, to serve in that role effective October 1, 2020.

Motions Referred to Council

The Editorial Board recommends:

That Council appoint Chantal Côté, OCT as Chair of the Editorial Board for the duration of the term of 8th Council.

Committee and Magazine Mandate

The Editorial Board provides high-level guidance on editorial development and advertising policies for the magazine. In accordance with the Content Guidelines, the board reviews all content prior to publication and provides input into future editions, looking for a balance of subject areas that will interest the College's diverse membership and align with the College's mandate.

Professionally Speaking and *Pour parler profession* are published quarterly to inform our members about the activities and decisions of the College. The magazine provides a forum for discussion of issues relevant to the future of teaching and learning, teachers' professional learning and standards of practice.

Future Meeting Date

The next Editorial Board meeting was tentatively scheduled for Thursday, September 24, 2020.

Committee Members

Chantal Côté, OCT (Vice-Chair)
Melissa Gaffen, OCT
Timothy Kwiatkowski, OCT
Éleine Legault
Marlène Marwah



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