

CRDHA Council met on Dec 4-5, 2020. The following are highlights of key discussions and decisions from the meetings:

Council Education:

- On December 4th, Council participated in a half day education session and engaged in a valuable panel discussion about stakeholder engagement with guests representing public, private and regulatory agencies. Stakeholder engagement is a key strategic goal for the Council and College.
- Council also participated in a facilitated ½ day discussion focussed on governance scenarios.

Council Discussions and Decisions:

- Council discussed the new Bill 46 and the implications on the College. Bill 46 is the most extensive set of amendments to the HPA in 20 years, and will require the College to develop new regulations, bylaws, standards of practice, and regulatory practices. A working group will be created to help manage the large amount of work required to implement this Bill.
- Council made the decision to restructure the College fee guide to remove the term “membership” in alignment with the new Bill 46 requirements. The 2020-21 budget and registrant fees will be discussed at the February 2021 Council meeting.
- Council welcomed Candice Boyce and Diana Mocha to the meeting to give an update on their dental hygiene provincial association. Council is happy to continue building the relationship with the provincial association, especially in light of the new Bill 46 requirements to maintain complete separation between college and professional association.
- Council approved the 2020-2023 Strategic Plan, including the purpose, vision and values. The strategic plan can be found on the CRDHA website.

Bylaw Changes:

- In order to implement the new Bill 30 and in anticipation of changes required through Bill 46, Council approved changes to the CRDHA Bylaws. The updated Bylaws can be found on the CRDHA website. Changes include:
 - 3.3 Composition of Council – moving from 25% to 50% public members on Council.
 - 3.5 Election of Councillors – moving from elections to competency-based appointments for Regulated Councillor positions.
 - 3.6 Shortage of Councillors – deleted.
 - 4.2 Appointment of Officers – changed to allow any Councillor, including a public member, to hold officer positions.
 - 8.1 Non-Regulated Membership Registers – removed student member (new registrant database will allow any student to register to be on a student list and receive College communications).
 - 8.2.2 Student Member and 8.10.2 Student Register – deleted
 - 11.2 Benefit Programs and Educational Incentives - deleted