

April 2020

SYNOPSIS

BCSTA Provincial Council Summary

This is a summary of the April 2020 Provincial Council (PC) meeting, which took place on Zoom in accordance with BCSTA's social distancing protocol during the COVID-19 pandemic. Click [here](#) to view draft PC minutes. Contact BCSTA CEO Mike Roberts at mroberts@bcsta.org for more details.

President's Report

President Stephanie Higginson recognized the challenging circumstances in which we conducted Provincial Council and thanked the efforts of those in our sector. She expressed great appreciation for the collaborative approach of our minister and partner agencies and acknowledged rapidly changing circumstances. 'We are guided by the recommendations of our provincial health officer.'

CEO's Report

CEO Mike Roberts detailed adjustments to BCSTA processes necessitated by our pandemic response. This included day-to-day office operations, elections of our board of directors, planning for future events, and revamping internal and external communications protocols.

CSBA Report

Vice-President Carolyn Broady reported on the cancellation of the upcoming CSBA Congress and National Trustees Gathering in July.

Finance & Audit Committee Report

The Finance and Audit Committee presented the final budget after reviewing feedback from draft budget presentation at February's PC. The Finance and Audit Committee recommended hiring Smythe LLP as auditors.

AGM Cancellation

CEO Mike Roberts and Director of Finance Jodi Olstead provided an update on the final costs of cancelling AGM 2020. Although the initial potential estimate of costs to BCSTA exceeded \$200,000, the final expense was just over \$3000.

Disposition of Motions

The following motions were carried by PC:

- 3.1 That Provincial Council adopt the BCSTA 2020/2021 Draft Budget as recommended.
Carried: Res. PC#16/2020
- 3.2 That Provincial Council approve the appointment of Smythe LLP as BCSTA's auditors for 2019/2020.
Carried: Res. PC#17/2020