



## **Executive Council Minutes**

**January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**7:30PM-9:00PM**

Teleconference # 1-888-882-9090 (participant #9845752; chair #5008760), as required

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Present: Darrelyn, France, Cathy, Shelley, Linda, Diane, Angela, John

Regrets: Alisha

Meeting commenced: 7:36pm

### **1. Approval**

- Agenda  
Approve agenda: Angela motioned, Cathy seconded. Motion carried.
- Minutes from December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Approve minutes: Angela motioned, Cathy seconded. Motion carried.

### **2. Business Arising**

- Review Executive Council Action Items Spreadsheet (**France -15 mins**)  
See spreadsheet with deadline dates.

### **3. New Business**

- Newly designed mentorship program (**Linda – 5 mins**)  
The 750 hour over the past 3 years rule is a national requirement. Linda developed guidelines and contracts (for 2 mentors in the workplace) for a mentorship program for a returning NBASLPA member. Linda is in the process of developing a mentee evaluation form based on the national competency profiles. This is in a “pilot project” mode and Linda will evaluate and finalize as a formal program. Voted on April 2019.
- Changes to Approval of Applications (**Linda – 5 mins**)  
The Council for Accreditation of Canadian University Programs (CACUP) conducts accreditation of SLP and AUD programs to make sure that they meet the national standards for entry to practice in these professions. CAASPR has a representative that is involved in this process and therefore, they have a check and balance in these programs. NBASLPA is a member of CAASPR and has a voice in CAASPR decisions, so if CAASPR approves an AUD or SLP program it means NBASLPA does too. Therefore, any student that graduates from an accredited program in Canada meets the acceptable standards. Recent discussion and decision with CAASPR registrars is that no regulated jurisdiction should check the clinical hours and transcripts of new

graduates from these universities. So from here on in, as long as Diane has the transcripts (graduate and undergraduate) and a form for clinical hours to keep on file, we don't need to check these. As of April 1<sup>st</sup>, any applications will be going through the CAASPR application process. This does not apply to labour mobility applicants or international applicants; however, international applicants will go through the CAASPR assessment process as of the April 1<sup>st</sup> date. **Action item: Linda to write Shelley an email and cc Diane in regarding the changes now and those coming up in April. Shelley to inform Membership Committee.**

- **New CAASPR Verification of Registration Form (Linda- 5 mins)**  
If a professional has had credentials checked and granted registration without any conditions in another jurisdiction, we are not allowed to recheck their credentials as per the law on labour mobility that has been in effect for many years and functions well. Because there have been some changes to the law (now called Canada Free Trade Agreement), and the provinces have become more harmonized in their registration requirements, there is a new national Verification of Registration form for labour mobility applicants that requests verification of the applicant's currency hours.
- **Horizon Health Strategic Planning (France - 10 mins)**  
France will be attending this meeting last week of January and would like input from the EC. Cathy informed that this meeting will likely consist of small group brainstorming for discussion. **Action item: France will send an email to the membership asking if they have anything they'd like her to bring to this meeting.**
- **PR Committee (Cathy - 5 mins)**  
Cathy asked the question: What is the EC's role in the PR Committee activities? She is getting emails from the PR committee and would like to know how to respond. **Action item: Cathy to reply to PR Committee to inform them of the involvement of the President Elect and Executive Director.**
- **Review NBASLPA Strategic Plan (France - 30 mins)**  
France sent out the updated version of the Strategic Plan including a description of the dual role/mandate of NBASLPA. Categories were changed. EC will provide more feedback on this document. France will make appropriate changes. The Road Map will be worked on at F2F in March 2020.
- **Internal Processes (France - 10 mins)**  
France is on vacation the week of February 11, 2020. Discussion regarding employee contract.

#### 4. Network Updates

- **Pan Canadian Alliance (Cathy)**  
The next meeting is in March 2020. Cathy asked if there is anything that we wanted to share at this next meeting: eg, NBASLPA's new strategic plan, advocacy issues, working towards regulations are being followed better, etc.

- **CAASPR (Linda - 2 mins)**  
Currently in the process of interviewing the Executive Director which will take away work from the Executive. Have had 70 applicants, a short list has been created and this should be in place by the end of February. Everything should be in place by the end of March/first of April.
- **NB Health Profession Regulators Network (Linda)**  
There is a meeting next week and Linda plans on attending in Fredericton.

## **5. Date & Time of Next Meeting**

Tuesday February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 7:30pm

Face-to-Face March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 (Moncton Hospital 9:30am – 2:30pm)

Meeting adjourned: 9:01pm