

Saskatchewan College of Physical Therapists

Annual General Meeting

TCU Place, Saskatoon

April 25, 2009

Present:

Anderson, Scott	Appleby, Heather	Appleyard, April	Arnold, Cathy
Baan, Suzanne	Bath, Brenna	Bear, Susan	Beck, Leslie
Beharry, Patricia	Block, Janice	Brown, Betsy	Busch, Angela
Camche, Allisyn	Coghill, Caroline	Collacott, Brenda	Cuddington, Cathy
Dal Bello-Haas, Vanina	Dean, Brenda	Deighton, Marnie	Donald, Trevor
Fast, Kate	Fitzsimmons, Keith	Forsberg, Peggy	Funk, Suzanne
Giblin, Travis	Gunderson, Sherry	Gunther-Hansen, Deborah	Hamilton, Shelley
Harradence, Lisa	Hodgins, Ivy	Inman, Debbie	James, Linda
Jasieniuk, Lee	Kapell, Tamara	Kucey, Curtis	Kucey, Stephanie
Levett, Margaret	Lovo-Grona Stacey	Mahoney, Cheryl	Mann, Devin
Marshak, Jody	Marshall, John	McInnes, Mitchell	McNamee, Judith (proxy)
Meyers, Susan	Mickalishen, Linda	Nightingale, Chantale	Proctor, Peggy
Sahar, Darcie	Schultz-Hurlburt, Barbara	Sheppard, Suzanne	Showers, Crystal
Sim, Jerilyn	Stamatinos, Lesley	Thompson, Nancy	Turk, Melissa
Wagner, Florence	Watts, Cathy	Weber, Garnette	Westlake, Sandy
Woodcock, Christina	Ziegler, Theresa		

Tim Eichholz (Executive Director/Registrar), Amanda Hacking (Staff)

1.0 Call to Order

Allisyn Camche (President) called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

2.0 Introduction of Council

Allisyn Camche introduced the members of Council and the Public Representatives.

3.0 Approval of Agenda

Vanina Dal Bello-Haas moved to adopt the agenda with one addition under new business – discussion of the Exercise Therapist statement.

2nd Theresa Ziegler

09.028

CARRIED

4.0 Approval of the 2008 AGM Minutes

Keith Fitzsimmons moved to adopt the minutes of the April 26/08 AGM.

2nd Lesley Stamitinos

09.029

CARRIED

4.1 John Marshall moved to adopt the minutes of the June 21/08 Special AGM.

2nd Peggy Proctor

09.030

CARRIED

5.0 President's Report

Allisyn Camche spoke to the president's report as circulated in the Annual Report.

Lesley Stamitinos moved to accept the president's report.

2nd Angela Busch

09.031

CARRIED

An update was provided.

- 6.0 Executive Director's Report**
 Tim Eichholz presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report.
 Linda Mickalishen moved to adopt the Executive Director's report as presented.
 2nd Vanina Dal Bello-Haas
- 09.032** **CARRIED**
 A summary of accomplishments was provided.
- 7.0 Finance Committee/Treasurer's Report**
 Christina Woodcock (Finance Chair) introduced the Finance Committee.
 Financial statements and a summary of financials were presented.
 Christina Woodcock moved to accept the audited financial statement for 2008.
 2nd Chantale Nightingale
- 09.033** **CARRIED**
 Questions from the floor were taken.
 Highlights from the year were provided regarding changes to accounting practices as recommended by Thorp & Company Auditor.
- 7.1 Appointment of Auditor
 Christina Woodcock moved to appoint Thorp and Company as SCPT auditor for the 2009/2010 year.
 2nd Peggy Forsberg
- 09.034** **CARRIED**
- 8.0 Committee Reports**
- 8.1 Alliance and AIT report
 Lesley Stamitinos (Alliance Rep) presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report.
 Lesley Stamitinos moved to adopt the Alliance report as circulated.
 2nd Flo Wagner
- 09.035** **CARRIED**
 A summary of accomplishments was provided.
- 8.2 Communication Committee Report
 Nancy Thompson (chair) introduced the members of the communications committee and presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report.
 Nancy Thompson moved to adopt the report as circulated.
 2nd Crystal Showers
- 09.036** **CARRIED**
 A summary of the accomplishments was presented as well as objectives for the next year.
- 8.3 Continuing Competency Committee Report
 Christina Woodcock (chair) introduced the committee and presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report.

Christina Woodcock moved to adopt the Continuing Competency report as circulated.

2nd Nancy Thompson

09.037

CARRIED

A summary of the accomplishments was presented as well as the objectives for next year. Questions from the floor were addressed.

8.4 Professional Conduct Committee

Scott Anderson (chair) presented the Professional Conduct Committee report as circulated in the Annual Report and introduced his committee.

Scott Anderson moved to adopt the Professional Conduct Committee report as circulated.

2nd Kathy Cuddington

09.038

CARRIED

A summary of the report was provided.

8.5 Discipline Committee Report

Tim Eichholz presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report.

Nancy Thompson moved to adopt the Discipline Committee report as circulated.

2nd Brenda Dean

09.039

CARRIED

Members of the committee were introduced.

8.6 Legislation Committee Report

Crystal Showers (Chair) introduced her committee and presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report.

Crystal Showers moved the Legislation Committee Report be adopted as circulated.

2nd Deb Inman

09.040

CARRIED

A summary of accomplishments was provided as well as objectives for the following year.

8.7 NIRO Report

Tim Eichholz presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report

Lesley Stamitinos moved that the report be adopted as circulated.

2nd Deborah Gunther-Hansen

09.041

CARRIED

A summary of activities was presented.

8.8 Professional Standards of Practice Report

Chantale Nightingale (Chair) introduced her committee and presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report.

Chantale Nightingale moved that the Professional Standards of Practice report be adopted as circulated.

2nd Angela Busch

09.042

CARRIED

A summary of accomplishments was presented as well as a list of objectives for the following year.

8.9 Public Representatives Report

Ruby Naujok presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report.

Ruby Naujok moved that the Public Representatives report be adopted as circulated.

2nd Linda James

09.043

CARRIED

A summary of activities was presented.

8.10 Registration Committee Report

Deborah Gunther-Hansen presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report.

Deborah Gunther-Hansen moved the Registration Committee Report be adopted as circulated.

2nd Cathy Watts

09.044

CARRIED

The committee was introduced and a list of accomplishments was presented as well as objectives for the following year.

8.11 Support Worker Committee Report

Tim Eichholz presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report.

Heather Appleby moved that the Support Worker Committee report be adopted as circulated.

2nd Betsy Brown

09.045

CARRIED

Highlights from the report were presented.

8.12 Supervised Practice Committee Report

Tim Eichholz presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report.

Vanina Dal Bello-Haas moved the Supervised Practice report be adopted as circulated.

2nd Peggy Forsberg

09.046

CARRIED

Questions from the floor were addressed. The committee was introduced.

9.0 Registrar's Report

Tim Eichholz (registrar) presented the report as circulated in the Annual Report

Nancy Thompson moved to adopt the Registrar's Report.

2nd Brenda Dean

09.047

CARRIED

10.0 Presentations

The following outgoing members of council were presented with certificates:

Lesley Stamitinos – 7 years on council

Tamara Kapell – 6 years on council

Christina Woodcock – 2 years on council

11.0 Election of Council Members

The slate of candidates running for a two year term was presented by Tim Eichholz on behalf of the Nominations Committee Chair: Nichole Brown; Chrystal Showers; Melissa Turk; Keith Fitzsimmons. Two candidates running for a one year term were presented: Susan Bear and Scott Anderson;. Nominations were asked from the floor. No names were put forward.

Peggy Proctor moved that nominations cease and that the above are elected by acclamation.

2nd Theresa Ziegler

09.048

CARRIED

12.0 New Business

Theresa Ziegler - Animal Therapy

A survey had been distributed to membership prior to the AGM. One issue identified was Animal Therapy – some of the membership indicated they would like more information; therefore Theresa Ziegler spoke to the membership regarding Animal Therapy. She noted that education is available through the Animal Rehabilitation Division of the CPA – a Diploma of Canine Rehabilitation is available. There is also a three week certificate program available in the USA.

Currently there are 117 Animal Rehabilitation Division members in Canada. The division is working on future Equine Rehabilitation Courses. Currently Animal Rehabilitation is not part of the curricula in Veterinary or Physical Therapy schools, and it is not currently regulated by provincial Physical Therapy regulators. Only the College of Veterinary Medicine in Ontario has made a position statement regarding complementary and alternative therapies which includes animal therapy.

The terms physical therapy, physical therapist, physiotherapy, physiotherapist, veterinary and veterinarian are protected.

Physical Therapists that practice animal rehab obtain malpractice insurance specific to the practice of animal rehab which can be obtained by CPA's insurers.

Theresa took questions from the floor.

It was noted that this is a very controversial issue nationally.

New bylaws – Legislation Committee – Crystal Showers

1) Regulatory Bylaw XVII – as circulated

Crystal Showers moves that changes to Bylaw XVII as presented.

2nd Keith Fitzsimmons

09.049

CARRIED

2) Administration Bylaw XV – as circulated

Crystal Showers moves that changes to Administration Bylaw XV be made.

2nd Cathy Cuddington

09.050

CARRIED

3) Potential amendment to Physical Therapy Act – as circulated

Council was requesting this amendment be approved in principal by the membership prior to being sent for legal review.

The purpose of the amendment is to ensure that the professional portfolio will not be used against a member in a legal proceeding.

Questions were taken from the floor.

It was clarified by the Continuing Competency Committee that the proof of competency could be used to benefit the members.

Crystal Showers moved to accept the amendment to the Physical Therapy Act as proposed in principle.

2nd Christina Woodcock

Discussion followed. Some members noted they were not yet prepared to vote on the motion.

Motion was voted on – 7 in favour; 30 opposed; 9 abstained.

09.051

DEFEATED

Kate Fast moved that council is to look at the issue of insulatory protection and provide clear information regarding both sides of the issue and bring further information back to the membership.

2nd Flo Wagner

09.052

CARRIED

Discussion followed regarding the future possibility of opening of the Physical Therapy Act.

Vanina Dal Bello-Haas moved to have council bring the issue of opening the Physical Therapy Act to membership prior to the Act being opened.

2nd Suzanne Shepherd

Discussion followed. SCPT Executive noted that the SCPT's lawyer has stated that SCPT will not be at risk if the Act is opened.

The motion was amended as follows:

“Council is to bring the issue of opening the Physical Therapy Act as well as all changes to the Act to membership prior to the Act being opened.” The amendment was accepted.

Motion was voted on – 32 in favour, 2 opposed; 6 abstained.

09.053

CARRIED

Exercise Therapists Position Statement

Scott Anderson presented the new Exercise Therapist position statement. He reports that this has been discussed with the Exercise Therapists.

Some discussion followed regarding the wording and the definition of the word ‘unstable’. Explanations were provided as to the reasons for the terminology provided.

Cathy Arnold moved to reword the Exercise Therapist Position Statement to change Line 1 in the second paragraph to say ‘acute or chronic disease process or injury’ – with the word unstable being removed from the last paragraph as well.

Linda Mickalishen seconded.

The motion was amended by Keith Fitzsimmons to add the term ‘Physical Therapist “within the facility”’.

09.054

CARRIED

(37 for; 1 opposed, 2 abstained)

Survey – Tim Eichholz, ED/Registrar

The results of the pre-AGM survey were presented.

Review of SCPT Objectives – Allisyn Camche, President

The SCPT objectives for 2009 were presented.

13.0 Adjournment

Crystal Showers moved the meeting be adjourned

2nd Nancy Thompson

09.055

The meeting was adjourned at 15:40.

Signed by: _____ President

Signed by: _____ Secretary