

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS
May 17, 2010 and June 14, 2010

Council held meetings on May 17, 2010 and June 14, 2010.

Resignation of Council Member

Ms. Suzy Brickell, RMT (District 2) resigned from Council. The Council expressed its appreciation for all the contributions made by Suzy and wished her well in her future endeavours.

Registration Regulation Amendments

Council reviewed and further amended the Registration Regulation which will now be circulated to stakeholders for the required 60 day consultation. The survey comments will be provided to Council at the August 30th meeting for any final adjustments and submission to the government for their review and approval. The government will also post a reference to the Registration Regulation consultation on their website to expand the scope of the public consultation on the proposed amendments.

Accreditation of Schools

Presentations were made to Council for information purposes by two accreditation agencies, the Canadian Education and Training Accreditation Commission (CETAC) and the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) Council must identify the third party or parties who will accredit schools once the Registration Regulation amendments have been approved by the government. It is expected that the Registration Regulation amendments will be in place in early December 2010 at which time the schools will be informed of the timeline for phase in of accreditation. Council will continue to consider the matter.

By-Law No. 7 Fees

A persistent comment made to the College by members is that the deadline date for renewal of Registration comes at a financially difficult and very busy time of year for many members. Based on results of two surveys of the profession over the last two years, Council is proposing to change the deadline date of renewal of Registration to November 1st, commencing this calendar year. This will require an amendment to By-law No. 7, Fees which is being circulated to members for the required 60 day consultation.

Profession's Strategic Plan

W. Peter Roach, RMT, President, updated Council on recent activities of the RMT Management Team which is responsible for overseeing implementation of the profession's strategic plan. The

team has been working on a new visual identity and will launch a series of new logos at the end of May, 2010.

College of Massage Therapists of Ontario Strategic Plan – 1st Quarter Balanced Scorecard Report

The first quarter results for the College's strategic plan were reported to Council. There were no items that were cause for concern. The College continues to work towards meeting its various objectives and goals.

Governance Best Practices Report

Council received the results of a Governance Best Practices Review conducted by Executive Resources Group and were provided with some recommendations for further improving Council and College governance practices. Council reviewed and adopted a number of the recommendations.

Adoption of an Inter-Jurisdictional Competency Document for Entry to Practice

As reported in the Council highlights of November, 2009 pursuant to labour mobility requirements in the Agreement on Internal Trade which requires the profession to eliminate barriers to movement by massage therapists between regulated provinces in Canada, a Consortium consisting of the the College of Massage Therapists of British Columbia, the College of Massage Therapists of Newfoundland & Labrador, and the College of Massage Therapists of Ontario, developed a proposed inter-jurisdictional competency profile for Massage Therapists which was approved by all the three Councils. The Regulators will continue their collaborative work to develop performance indicators for the competencies, for implementation through the process of education programme approval and the Certification examination.

1st Quarter Financial Report

Council reviewed and approved the first quarter Financial Report. Both revenues and expenses are in line with expectations for the first quarter.