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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING April 16, 2004

COMMUNICATION POINTS

Monitoring Workshop

- The Registrar gave a PowerPoint presentation and provided a synopsis of how the May 13th Monitoring Workshop will be conducted.
- Council members will be sent a copy of the power point presentation, be informed of what to expect at the workshop and be asked to read the Governance Policies in advance.
- If Council members have any suggestions or questions, they are encouraged to E-mail Terri Smolar in advance of the workshop, E-mail: terri@cdsbc.org

Annual General Meeting

- Executive agreed not to have a second Annual General Meeting in 2004, on June 19, but rather to schedule the next AGM in 2005, within three months from the time the audited financial statements were ready.
- The audited financial statements for the year ending February 29, 2004 will be mailed to members. Both those financial statements and the audited financial statements for the year ending February 28, 2005 will be presented at the next AGM, in 2005.

Financial Update

- The Treasurer informed that the revenues generated from the Joint Venture were more than anticipated.
- Dr. Lobb advised that although the Registrar and the Treasurer of CDSBC are part of PDC Board, they were not invited to any PDC meetings last year. The College was provided with the audited financial statement and no internal statement was available for review. The Treasurer will ask for better communications with the PDC.
- The Treasurer explained that taxes (estimated to be \$87,000) and disbursements (estimated to be \$12,000) are excluded from the annual contract for legal services between Davis & Co. and the Council, which is capped at \$600,000. Also excepted are, "any arbitration, trial, appeal, mediation, discipline hearing or other legal proceeding that takes three days or more". The three Elected Officers have met with three lawyers from Davis & Co to discuss their differing interpretation of the contract, involving an amount, in addition to the \$600,000, of approximately \$177,000. A further meeting to resolve the matter is scheduled for May 8, 2004.

Expense Policy

- The Focus Group on Per Diems recommended that no per diem or honorarium be paid to Council members.
- Members of the Focus Group were thanked, and the Focus Group was disbanded.
- Dr. Lobb will re-draft the expense policy for Council's consideration.

ADSBC & CDABC Data Transfer

- Dr. Lobb advised that CDSBC has raised concerns with ADSBC and CDSBC about information transferred from the CDSBC database, which information is then sold by the associations to third parties. The concern results from the new privacy acts which came into effect January 2004.
- Dr. Lobb has sent letters to ADSBC and CDABC to inform them of the College's concerns. This matter will be discussed further at the May Council meeting.

Committee Tenure

- Mr. Shultz provided a report on behalf of the Ad Hoc Task Force on Committee Tenure, on how to best implement committee membership and tenure.
- A motion to establish an Appointments Committee and its membership was tabled until the May Council meeting.
- Any overlap with the terms of reference of the Nominations & Awards Committee will be sorted out prior to the Council meeting.

Proposed Addition to Certified Dental Assistants Core Skills

- Executive Committee requested that more information be provided prior to approving the proposal that BC support the CDAA's recommendation of the addition of the duty "performing coronal whitening using non-prescription materials" to the national nine CORE skills list.
- Executive was particularly concerned regarding the term "non-prescription materials."

Presentation by Dr. Alan Lowe

- Dr. Alan Lowe made a presentation regarding the situation at UBC, including the increase in tuition fees and construction of a new dental clinic. He informed that the number of chairs for dental education will be increased.
- As the Chair of the Task Force on Foreign Trained Specialists, Dr. Lowe provided an
 updated on current issues relating to dentists trained outside Canada. He recommended
 that College work closely with other provinces to force a national movement before the
 federal government imposes a mandatory framework for training and credentialing of
 foreign dental graduates.
- Dr. Lowe emphasized the importance of having a UBC representative on Council. He
 expressed the view that a close relationship between CDSBC and the dentistry faculty
 of UBC would keep CDSBC aware of significant issues impacting the next generation
 of dentists.

UBC Gold Medal

- The Registrar advised that Dean Yen inquired regarding whether CDSBC wanted to continue to award the Gold Medal to UBC students. He advised that ADSBC was interested in being the organization that awards the medal. Dr. Yen expressed the view that whichever organization awarded the medal, it should make a financial contribution to bursaries for students attending the dental school. He proposed that this could be done by a special levy of \$100 from each member.
- Executive was in favour of CDSBC continuing to award the Gold medal but proposed that members be invited to donate on a volunteer basis, rather than be required to pay \$100 annually. This issue will be brought to Council in May.

Report from Focus Group on Unconventional Dentistry

• Executive accepted the report from the Focus Group on Unconventional Dentistry, and will request Dr. Burton Goldstein to make a presentation at the next Council meeting.

Anaesthesia in Dental Facilities

- Dr. Stoneman informed Executive of a letter from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC regarding dentists administering anaesthesia.
- Dr. Murray Fain, Chair of the Accreditation Committee, will look into this issue.