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Board Highlights December 12, 2009

Canadian Dental Regulatory Authorities Federation (CDRAF) Update The federal government approved the CDRAF application for funds to develop a national assessment process for internationally trained dentists. The government will provide \$800,000 towards this project.

At the fall meeting, members of the CDRAF agreed that as a national board of regulators, they should collaborate to develop national clinical practice resources. Deans Chuck Shuler (UBC) and David Mock (University of Toronto) led an educational workshop on this topic, and agreed to serve on a working group or panel to promote collaboration among provinces and between universities.

Review of CDSBC Volunteer Expense Policy and Honorariums

The policy was updated to allow Board and Committee members to claim honorariums regardless of when a meeting is held. Under the old policy, only daytime meetings were eligible for honorariums. This change is in keeping with other, large self-regulating professions.

The honorarium for the Elected Officers was reviewed. The honorarium for president has been adjusted to reflect the increased demands on this position and time away from practice; this will take effect July 1, 2010. Honoraria for the Vice-President and Treasurer are unchanged.

Revised Document: Dental Recordkeeping Guidelines

The Board gave approval in principle for the revised *Dental Recordkeeping* Guidelines. The content is largely unchanged from the earlier document; however, the new version is more concise and current. The revision process included consultation with the Quality Assurance Committee, the BCDA Executive, and UBC Faculty of Dentistry. Once completed, the guidelines will be distributed to all registrants and will be available at www.cdsbc.org/standards_guidelines/

After the document is finalized in early 2010, CDSBC will make a dental recordkeeping course available to help dentists and their staff ensure that their recordkeeping is appropriate.

New Document: A Guide to CDA Services

CDSBC developed this document to answer questions from dentists and CDAs about changes to CDA services under the Bylaws. It was distributed to all dentists and CDAs in the fall and has been well received. This document is available on the CDSBC website at www.cdsbc.org/cda_services

Prosthodontic Module Terms of Reference and Membership

The CDA Advisory Committee recommended that the Board accept amended Terms of Reference & Membership for the Prosthodontic Module Working Group. The proposed amendments would allow the Prosthodontic Module to be expanded to include the teaching of both theory and clinical fabrication of implant and veneer provisionals. This motion was tabled until the next Board meeting to allow for further consultation, specifically with the BC Society of Prosthodontists.

College Place Update

The renovations are on time and under budget. In the spring of 2009, building inspectors hired by CDSBC identified damage to the building, resulting from water ingression. Reparation began in the fall of 2009 and are expected to be finalized by the fall of 2010. Once completed, the building will have a more contemporary appearance that will increase the value of the property and its rental value to prospective tenants.

2010 CDSBC Award Winners

The Board approved the Nominations Committee's Recommendations for 2010 CDSBC Awards. The winners are:

Distinguished Service Award

Mr. Robbie Moore

Award of Merit

Dr. Jonathan Adams

Ms. Elli Cox

Dr. Mike Henry

Dr. Richard Kramer

Special Group Award

Study Club Alliance

The College Awards ceremony will take place during the Pacific Dental Conference, on Thursday, April 15, 2010 at 5:30 pm, in Oceanview Rooms 7 & 8 at the Pan Pacific Vancouver.

New CDSBC Logo

Letterbox Design Group and the CDSBC communications team presented the new CDSBC logo. It is a more modern reflection of the College, while respecting the history of dentistry and its role in the larger context of health professionals. It will be launched early in 2010 with the dentist and CDA annual renewal packages.

Annual Renewal Fees for 2010-11

The Board approved the renewal fees for dentists, effective March 1, 2010. The renewal fee is \$2,483 for practising dentists and \$500 for non-practising dentists. For CDAs, the renewal fee is \$100 for practising and \$50 for non-practising. These fees are unchanged from the 2009-10 year.

The fees for each of CDSBC, BCDA and CDA for the past three years are as follows:

	CDSBC*	BC Dental Association	Canadian Dental Association
2008-09	\$ 1,041.50	\$760.50	\$681
2009-10	\$ 1,009	\$776	\$698
2010-11	\$ 1,009	\$776	\$698

^{*}From the CDSBC portion, grants are also paid to the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada (CDAC), Canadian Dental Regulatory Authorities Federation (CDRAF) and Dental Professions Advisory Program (DPAP).

Infection Control Update

CDSBC is working closely with the College of Dental Hygienists of BC on this initiative. Each College has selected three representatives in the areas of practice, education and research to serve on this working group. They include three dentists, a CDA, two hygienists and a physician whose area of expertise is infection control. The first meeting of the Infection Control Working Group was on December 8, 2009.

The revised guidelines about infection control will be evidence-based and referenced. The working group is obtaining other documents that meet those criteria, with the intent to create guidelines that satisfy all government and public requirements and are workable for dentists.

Fees for Limited (Education) Registration

The annual fee for Limited (Education) Registration will be set at \$500. This applies to all instructors who do not earn income in dentistry through means

other than teaching. Previously, all dental faculty members should have been registered in the practicing category. However, some of those instructors do not practice outside the dental school environment, and receive no monetary gain. The Limited (Education) Registration fee was lowered to \$500, matching that of Non-Practising Registration.

Election Update

The first CDSBC Board Election under the HPA takes place in spring 2010. Some positions will have one year terms while others will have two-year terms, based on which areas have previously had one-year terms and who would have naturally served the terms if CDSBC had not come under the HPA. CDSBC will send out election notices and packages to dentists and CDAs.

CDA Appointment to CDA Advisory Committee

CDA Shelley Melissa was appointed to the CDA Advisory Committee to replace another member.