
PIBC COUNCIL MEETING – SUMMARY NOTES

January 29, 2016

The following is a summary of the meeting of the Council of the Planning Institute of British Columbia (PIBC), held on the date noted above, and is provided for the information of members. A copy of this summary was also published and circulated in PIBC's quarterly magazine Planning West.

On January 29th, 2016 the PIBC Council met in Vancouver.

Delegations

Beverly Grieve MCIP, RPP provided a presentation on potential issues for planning and planners stemming from the new BC Building Act legislation and the potential legal impacts on municipal bylaws and development processes.

President

Daniel Huang MCIP, RPP provided an update on various activities including: the completed work of the CIP FutureForward Task Force, CIP's Great Places program, and making stronger connections between PIBC and provincial government staff.

Council & Governance

Council reviewed the work to-date on the various goals and tasks from the 2015-2017 Strategic Plan and discussed opportunities and tasks related to advancing the Strategic Plan.

The Chairs of the Institute's Communications and Continuous Professional Learning Committees provided updates on recent activities for their respective committees.

Administration & Finance

Executive Director, Dave Crossley, reported on ongoing and key activities at the PIBC Office.

Secretary-Treasurer, Andrew Ramlö MCIP, RPP, presented the Institute's unaudited year-to-date 2015 financial statements for information.

Member Programs & Services

Executive Director, Dave Crossley, provided an update on planning and preparations for the Institute's upcoming 2016 Annual Conference in Kelowna.

National Affairs

Andrew Young MCIP, RPP reported on the activities at CIP including: that the proposed CIP draft bylaws have been circulated for comment from the provincial and territorial institutes, and that renewals of CIP membership by Ontario members have been greater than expected after changes to the membership structure by the Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI).

Council reviewed a copy of the proposed CIP draft bylaws and will consider comments and feedback to CIP following further review at the March 2016 Council meeting.

Council endorsed changes to the membership certification Professional Examination, as proposed by the Professional Standards Board (PSB). Council also approved the final revised amendments to the Joint Agreement to Establish a Professional Standards Committee for the Planning Profession in Canada.

Executive Director, Dave Crossley, reported that the Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI) has withdrawn its application for a federal trademark of the “RPP” designation.

Committee Reports & Business

Membership: Council approved the admission of a number of new members, and a number of membership transfers and changes. Council also approved the revocation of a number of Student members who had exceeded the time limits on membership prescribed in the bylaws, effective as of the end of 2015.

Communications: Council approved the appointment of Tim Barton MCIP, RPP; Craig Broderick MCIP, RPP; Allyson Friesen MCIP, RPP (Co-Chair); Jennifer Hill MCIP, RPP; Chris Hutton MCIP, RPP; Alison McNeil MCIP, RPP; Greg Mitchell MCIP, RPP; Siobhan Murphy MCIP, RPP (Editor, Ex Officio); Gary Noble MCIP, RPP; Leanne Taylor MCIP, RPP; and Robert White to the Institute’s Communications Committee for the remainder of the current two-year term.

Professional Practice Review: Council approved the appointment of Brent Elliott MCIP, RPP to the Institute’s Professional Practice Review Committee for the remainder of the current two-year term.

Awards: Council approved the appointment of James Moore MCIP, RPP (Chair), Catherine Berris MCIP, RPP, Lesley Cabott MCIP, RPP, Lilian Chau MCIP, RPP, Bill Corsan MCIP, RPP, Jag Dhillon FCIP (Ret.), Lisa King MCIP, RPP, Suzanne Smith MCIP, RPP, Margaret-Ann Thornton MCIP, RPP and Raymond Young MCIP, RPP to the Institute’s Awards Committee for the current two-year term.

Other Business & Correspondence

Council received and reviewed correspondence from the Canadian Association of Planning Students (CAPS) about recent challenges regarding the association’s governance and transparency.

Next Meeting(s)

It was noted that the next meeting would be held Friday, March 11, 2016 in Prince George (and via telephone teleconference).

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