

# Territorial Acknowledgement

The offices of the College of Health and Care Professionals of British Columbia are located on the ancestral and unceded territories of the Coast Salish Peoples — specifically, the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and səliłwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations — the ləkʷəŋən (Lekwungen) Peoples — represented today by the Songhees and xʷsepsəm (Esquimalt) Nations — and the WSÁNEĆ (Saanich) Peoples — including the BOŖÉĆEN (Pauquachin), STÁ,UTW (Tsawout), WJOŁŁP (Tsartlip), and WŚÍŖEM (Tseycum) Nations.

As the College regulates the practice of multiple health-care professions across what is now commonly referred to as British Columbia, we acknowledge and honour all First Nations territories across these lands.

We are conscious of the privilege we hold that allows us to carry out our important work on these territories, where the First Peoples have maintained a special relationship with the lands and waters for thousands of years — since time immemorial — and where this relationship continues today.



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PROFESSIONALS OF BC**

## Board Meeting Minutes

June 5, 2025



# Minutes

Date: June 5, 2025

Time: 8:30 AM (in person)

Meeting preparation time: 2 hours.

Approved: September 19, 2025

**Knowledge Keeper:** Gary Johnston, Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh

**Board members:** Allan Seckel (Chair), Debbie Ruggerio, Jamie Hack, Jennifer Agnew (Vice Chair), John Meneghello, Joyce Kenoras, Mary O'Callaghan, Nathan Doidge, Olivier Yergeau, Russell Ebata, Sarah Lalonde, Sue Randhawa

**Staff:** Dianne Millette, Registrar and CEO; Kathy Davidson, Executive Director, SGSA; Janina Kon, Executive Director, Legal Services, Christopher Dodge, Executive Coordinator, Board Governance;

**Guests:** Dione Costanzo, Raincoast Ventures Ltd., Recording Secretary

Items	Presented by
<b>Welcome</b>  Allan welcomed participants to the College of Health and Care Professionals of British Columbia (CHCPBC) Board meeting at 8:35 a.m.	Allan Seckel, Board Chair
<b>Territorial Acknowledgement</b> <i>Reference material: Policy - Territorial Acknowledgement</i>  Allan offered a Territorial Acknowledgement to recognize and honour the First Nations on whose territory the meeting took place.	Allan Seckel, Board Chair
<b>Opening and Welcome</b>  Gary Johnston, Knowledge Keeper, provided Opening Remarks, welcomed participants, and shared comments to open the meeting in a good way.	Gary Johnston, Knowledge Keeper
<b>Intention Setting</b>	All participants



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Board members and staff introduced themselves, sharing about the territories where they live and setting their intention for the meeting.	
<b>Debrief about March 20 Board Meeting</b>  No notes were recorded.	All participants
<b>Approval of the Agenda</b> <i>Reference material: Board Meeting Agenda June 5, 2025</i>  <b>2025-03-11 Resolution</b>  We, the Board, agree to proceed with the Agenda for June 5, 2025, as presented.  <b><u>CARRIED</u></b>	Allan Seckel, Board Chair
<b>Board member declarations of Conflict of Interest</b>  No conflicts were declared.	Allan Seckel, Board Chair
<b>Chair's Opening Remarks</b>  Allan thanked participants for joining the meeting, including livestream participants and shared a few reflections.	Allan Seckel, Board Chair
<b>Approval of Consent Agenda</b> <i>Reference material: Minutes of March 20, 2025, HPOA Consultations Update, Discussion Paper – IGBs and entities representing Indigenous Peoples, Report from the Finance and Audit Committee, Report from the Governance Committee, Report from the Human Resources Committee</i>  <b>2025-03-12 Resolution</b>  We, the Board, approve the Consent Agenda as circulated.  <b><u>CARRIED</u></b>	Allan Seckel, Board Chair
<b>Registrar's Report</b> <i>Reference material: Registrar's Report</i>  The Board received a review of CHCPBC key initiatives, a high-level timeline for the Health Professions and Occupations Act (HPOA) transition, Program Reports, and updates on CHCPBC Operations.	Dianne Millette, Registrar/CEO



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<p><b>Board Support Committees – Recommendations</b></p> <p>Governance Committee: <i>Reference material: Briefing Note: Appointment of New Regulatory Committee Members; Briefing Note: Appointment of Chairs Vice Chairs</i></p> <p><b>2025-03-13 Resolution</b></p> <p>We, the Board, RECOGNIZE that a comprehensive recruitment process has been conducted by College staff in order to fill gaps in three regulatory committees.</p> <p>And we further RECOGNIZE that Governance Committee recommendations for regulatory committee appointments align with the approved composition matrices for these committees and the priority to increase Indigenous voices at all levels of College decision making.</p> <p>We therefore AGREE that the following candidates be appointed as members of the CHCPBC Inquiry Committee effective July 1, 2025, for the terms specified below:</p> <p><b>Appointments:</b></p> <p>1 year to June 30, 2026</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Karrar Khaku, Physical Therapist</li><li>Elizabete Rocha, Psychologist</li><li>Chris Graham, Psychologist</li></ul> <p>2 years to June 30, 2027</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Erik Bucaneg, Optician</li><li>Jessica Callele, Occupational Therapist</li><li>Cailey Strauss, Psychologist</li><li>Tyla Mackay, Psychologist</li><li>Andrea Stelnicki, Psychologist</li><li>Jennifer Smith, public member</li><li>Leah Shantz, public member</li></ul> <p>3 years to June 30, 2028</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Michel Bedard, Optician</li><li>Heather Chin, Optometrist</li><li>Ashley Sumner, Occupational Therapist</li><li>Shannon Grunerud, Physical Therapist</li><li>Karen Vermeulen, School Psychologist</li><li>Cindy Couch, public member</li></ul>	<p>Allan Seckel, Committee Chair</p>



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<p>Hamish Flanagan, public member Annette Ruitenbeek, public member</p> <p><b>Re-appointments:</b> 2 years to June 30, 2027 Esther Huang, Dietitian Pietro (Peter) Luongo, public member Yasin Amlani, public member</p> <p>3 years to June 30, 2028 Brad Genereux, Optometrist Gurminder Singh Parihar, public member Danielle Lafleur, Audiologist and Hearing Instrument Practitioner</p> <p>And we further AGREE that the following candidates be appointed as members of the CHCPBC Professional Practice and Standards Advisory Committee effective July 1, 2025, for the terms specified below.</p> <p><b>Appointments:</b> 1 year to June 30, 2026 Pamela Cameron, Hearing Instrument Practitioner Chipo McNichols, Psychologist</p> <p>2 years to June 30, 2027 Tracy Weng, Optometrist Marilyn Noort, Speech Language Pathologist Riley Rosebush, Speech Language Pathologist Andreanna Modesto, public member</p> <p>3 years to June 30, 2028 Kathleen Power, Dietitian Robert Haennel, public member</p> <p><b>Re-appointments:</b> 1 year to June 2026 Danielle Lafleur, Audiologist and Hearing Instrument Practitioner Pam Saeidi, Optician</p> <p>2 years to June 2027 Tracy Adams, Occupational Therapist Mary Korpach, Psychologist Damineh Akhavan, public member</p>	



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<p>3 years to June 2028  Courtenay Hopson, Dietitian  Wendy Thompson, Occupational Therapist  Jessica Ng, Optometrist  Evan Wilton, Physical Therapist  Gerald Crawford, public member</p> <p>And we further AGREE that the following candidates be appointed as members of the CHCPBC Registration Committee effective July 1, 2025, until June 30, 2026.</p> <p><b>Appointments:</b>  1 year to June 30, 2026  Phoebe Wong, Audiologist and Hearing Instrument Practitioner  Katherine Lee, Audiologist and Hearing Instrument Practitioner</p> <p>2 years to June 30, 2027  Graham Raynor, Audiologist  Karen Mayner, Speech Language Pathologist</p> <p>3 years to June 30, 2028  Tracy Weng, Optometrist  Heather Chin, Optometrist  Justin Asgarpour, Optometrist  Weijia Tan, public member  Margaret Heldman, public member</p> <p><b>Re-appointments:</b>  1 year to June 30, 2026  Andrea McNeill, Occupational Therapist  Sarah Macoun, Psychologist</p> <p>2 years to June 30, 2027  Jack MacDermot, public member  Martin Sattler, Hearing Instrument Practitioner</p> <p>3 years to June 30, 2028  Alan Cheng, Optician  Heather Robertson, Physical Therapist  Jack Trumley, public member</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b><u>CARRIED</u></b></p> <p><b>2025-03-14 Resolution</b></p>	



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<p>We, the Board, RECOGNIZE that a comprehensive process to both confirm current chair and vice chair competencies and to review self-rated competencies of new committee appointees has been conducted by College staff in order to prepare for chair and vice chair appointments.</p> <p>We therefore AGREE that the following the following members of the CHCPBC Inquiry Committee be appointed as vice chairs effective July 1, 2025, until June 30, 2026.</p> <p><b>Re-appointments (Vice Chair):</b> Elizabeth McLean Kim McEachern Kim Kerwin Jessica Ng Dave Ng Dolores Langford</p> <p><b>Appointments (Vice Chair):</b> Jessica Callele Ashley Sumner Karrar Khaku Shannon Grunerud Cailey Strauss Karen Vermeulen Hamish Flanagan Annette Ruitenbeek</p> <p>And we also AGREE that the following members of the CHCPBC Registration Committee be appointed as Chair and Vice Chairs effective July 1, 2025, until June 30, 2026.</p> <p><b>Re-appointment (Chair)</b> Alison Greig</p> <p><b>Re-appointments (Vice Chair)</b> Sandy Daughen Kelly Tokar Maureen Duggan Catherine Costigan Gayathri (Gaya) Murthy Laura Frisby Clara Tam Charles (Ted) Wormeli Erika Forster Concetta (Connie) Risi</p>	



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<p>Emily Chowne Tina Cheng</p> <p><b>Appointments (Vice Chair)</b> Justin Asgarpour Tracy Weng</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b><u>CARRIED</u></b></p>	
<p><b>Approval in Principle: Draft Strategic Framework and Approach</b> <i>Reference materials: Briefing Note: Strategic Plan Consultations Summary, Draft Strategic Framework, Draft Strategic Plan Implementation Approach</i></p> <p>Staff presented the approach taken to develop the elements of the Draft Strategic Framework for a five year plan from 2026 to 2030.</p> <p>The fully developed strategic plan, metrics, outcomes and activities will be approved at the Board meeting scheduled September 19, 2025.</p> <p><b>2025-03-15 Resolution</b></p> <p>We, the Board RECOGNIZE that the work to develop CHCPBC’s first Strategic Framework to identify a vision, values and strategic priorities has been undertaken by external consultants and staff and overseen by the Governance Committee,</p> <p>And we UNDERSTAND and SUPPORT the approach taken and the components of the framework as discussed / as revised during the discussion,</p> <p>We therefore AGREE in principle with the proposed strategic framework as a foundation for ongoing refinement and for the more detailed outcomes and activities to be presented at a future Board meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b><u>CARRIED</u></b></p>	<p>Dianne Millette, Registrar/CEO</p>
<p><b>Closed Meeting (Criteria: Bylaws 2.32b, 2.32g, 2.33a)</b></p>	<p>Allan Seckel, Board Chair</p>





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<p>The Board proceeded to the Closed Meeting agenda items for the discussion related to bylaws 2.32b, 2.32g and 2.33a.</p> <p>Separate minutes were recorded.</p>	
<p><b>Next Meeting Dates</b></p> <p>In Person:</p> <p>Friday, September 19, 2025</p>	<p>Allan Seckel, Board Chair</p>
<p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p> <p>Gary expressed his gratitude towards Board members and emphasized the importance of continual learning.</p> <p>The meeting concluded at 2:32 p.m.</p>	<p>Gary Johnston, Knowledge Keeper</p>