



NOVA SCOTIA
BARRISTERS' SOCIETY

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

The Society's Council met **Friday, January 22, 2021** at 9:00 AM via videoconference and conducted the following business:

1. **Introductory Matters**

- 1.1. **Call to order and introductory remarks** – First Vice President Tuma Young QC called the meeting to order and acknowledged that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

2. **Discussion of key issue**

- 2.1. **High level overview of Budget** – Kate Shewan, Director of Finance and Administration, provided Council with a preview of the 2021-2022 budget.

3. **Policies/Processes**

- 3.1. **Cultural Competence update** - Angela Simmonds, Manager of Equity & Access provided an update on the upcoming community focus groups in February and March.
- 3.2. **Task Force to Council report/Recommendations** – The Task Force Andy Nickerson QC, Bryan Darrell and Michelle Ward provided an overview and answered questions on their report and recommendations. More work to be completed and brought back to the March Council Meeting.
- 3.3. **Multidisciplinary Practice** – Elaine Cummings presented the Code of Professional Conduct Committees (CPCC) MDP Request for Approval. After discussion Council approved Multidisciplinary Practices in Nova Scotia subject to the final approval of the necessary amendments to the Regulations and Code of Professional Conduct.
- 3.4. **2 Minute Evaluations** - Tilly Pillay QC presented the recommendation from the Governance Committee. After a detailed discussion it was agreed feedback would be provided anonymously to Council at the next meeting and to the Governance Committee.

4. **In camera**

- 4.1. One item was discussed in camera.

5. **Items for information**

- 5.1. **2020-2021 Council Calendar**
- 5.2. **2020-2021 Activity Plan**
- 5.3. **Executive Director Report** – Council received Executive Director, Tilly Pillay QC's report.
- 5.4. **President's Report** – Council received President, Jim Rossiter QC's report.

Council's next meeting is **Friday, March 26 at 9:00 AM** via videoconference.