



Minutes

NATIONAL FRAMEWORK TASK FORCE MEETING

Thursday, February 21, 2013 - 9:00 a.m.

Via Teleconference and Adobe Connect

Members:

Diane Freeman, P. Eng. (Chair)
Christian Bellini, P. Eng. (Vice-Chair)
Roydon Fraser, P. Eng.
Ross Judd, P. Eng.
Kathryn Sutherland, P. Eng.

Regrets:

Tony Cecutti, P. Eng.
Santosh Gupta, P. Eng.

Staff:

Josie D'Aluisio
Johnny Zuccon, P. Eng.

1. Opening Remarks

The Chair opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. As quorum was not attained at the commencement of the meeting, the Chair suggested that the Task Force begin with Items 3 and 4 on the agenda.

4. Action Items Update from January 7, 2013 Meeting

The Chair referred to the Actions Items Update document included in the agenda package and advised that all items had been carried out.

5. **Review of New CFL Element: Principles for Complaint, Investigation and Discipline Practices**

Task Force members were referred to the document included in the agenda package, for the new CFL element - Principles for Complaint, Investigation and Discipline Practices. Task Force members were advised that this element was sent out for consultation on February 20, 2013, with comments to be provided by April 3, 2013, in order to meet the Engineers Canada feedback deadline of April 29, 2013.

General discussion of the element provided the following:

- There are too many Key Considerations.
- Many of the listed Key Considerations are not key at all.
- They should be listed in some sort of order or groupings.
- Definition of natural justice weak.

Proposed Changes to Key Considerations

Key Consideration 1: New proposed wording: ***“Ensure that procedures are fair, timely and abide by the principles of natural justice and its common law rules.”***

Key Consideration 2: No change.

Key Consideration 3: Operational; not a Key Consideration - should be removed.

Key Consideration 4: Operational; not a Key Consideration - should be removed.

Key Consideration 5: Operational; not a Key Consideration - should be removed.

Key Consideration 6: Operational; not a Key Consideration - should be removed.

Key Consideration 7: Superfluous; inherent in natural justice.

Key Consideration 8: Superfluous.

Key Consideration 9: New proposed wording: ***“Alternate Dispute Resolution mechanisms be offered.”***

Key Consideration 10: Operational; not a Key Consideration - should be removed.

Key Consideration 11: Operational; not a Key Consideration - should be removed.

Action: Task Force is to ask Engineers Canada how they are going to address appeals related to all aspects of the regulatory framework, including academic review, experience requirements, registration and discipline.

Action: Task Force is to ask Engineers Canada that another CFL element related to professional conduct should be developed.

Action: Task Force is questioning whether the scope of the CFL should be limited only to all aspects of licensure, or to the broader analysis of a self-regulating framework, i.e. everything included in the Act.

Action: Chair to ask Stephanie Price if she can attend the next Task Force meeting, or a delegate.

Action: Find out whether or not the Task Force can access feedback from other jurisdictions.

2. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to approve the agenda as written.

Moved by: C. Bellini Seconded by: K. Sutherland CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes of January 7, 2013 Meeting

A motion was made to approve the Minutes of the January 7, 2013 meeting as written.

Moved by: R. Fraser Seconded by: C. Bellini CARRIED

6. Other

No discussion.

7. Next Meeting

It was proposed that the Task Force not meet until May 2013, following receipt and review of the CFL consultation responses on “Principles for Complaint, Investigation and Discipline Practices” element. The Chair recommended that, for future meetings where there is only one element on the agenda, the meeting be held via teleconference and Adobe Connect.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Moved by: R. Judd

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.