

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 1ST MEETING OF THE TRANSITIONAL COUNCIL

The Transitional Council held its first public meeting on June 26 and 27, 2008.

### GREETINGS

The Hon. Michael Chan, Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, Bas Balkissoon, Parliamentary Assistant to the Hon. David Caplan, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, and David Zimmer, Parliamentary Assistant to the Attorney General attended and brought greetings to the transitional Council.

Also present were Dr. Catherine Yarrow, President of the Federation of Health Regulatory Colleges of Ontario and Registrar of the College of Psychologists of Ontario, Fran Richardson, Registrar of the College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario, Deanna Williams, Registrar of the Ontario College of Pharmacists, Jo-Ann Wilson, Registrar of the College of Chiropractors of Ontario, Bridie O'Connell, Executive Administrator of the Board of Directors of Drugless Therapy – Naturopathy, and Belinda Clarke and Marianne Park, Council members of the Board of Directors of Drugless Therapy – Naturopathy.

### APPROVAL OF THE FIRST BY-LAWS

The first by-laws of the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of Ontario were approved. The by-laws set out the administration and internal operations of the College.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following officers were elected according to the procedures set out in the first by-laws:

President: Cedric Cheung

Vice-President: Lynn Bowering

Executive Committee Members: Ian Eng, James Fu, Joanne Pritchard-Sobhani

### APPROVED COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEES

#### Statutory Committee

##### *Registration*

TCM Members: Zhao Cheng, Richard Dong, Joanne Pritchard-Sobhani

Public Members: Kristin Bulmer, Henry Maeots

#### By-law Committees

##### *Professional Practices/Standards*

TCM Members: David Bai, James Fu, Mary Wu

Public Members: Ruth Pike, Elizabeth Wilson

##### *Communications*

TCM Members: Richard Dong, James Fu, Cedric Cheung

Public Members: Ian Eng, Ellen Hanna, Ruth Pike

##### *Finance*

TCM Members: David Bai, Zhao Cheng, Mary Wu

Public Members: Sharon Lam, Lynn Bowering

#### **APPOINTMENT OF LEGAL COUNSEL**

Council approved the appointment of Steinecke Maciura LeBlanc as general counsel.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL CHAIR**

Council authorized the Registrar to search for a suitable candidate to serve as an appointed chair to preside at Council meetings in accordance with section 85 of the by-laws of the College.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF BANK SIGNING AUTHORITY**

Council approved the first signing officers: Finance Manager and Director of Corporate Affairs, Health Force Ontario, the Registrar, President, Vice-President and the Chair of the Finance Committee of the College.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS**

Council approved appointment of KPMG, auditors of Health Force Ontario, as auditors of the College for the first year of operation.

#### **OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES**

Council noted the activities and issues that must be addressed before registration of members can take place. Council and its Committees will work fervently to study and develop entry-to-practice requirements, grandparenting requirements, practice standards and professional conducts in the next two years. Broad consultation of stakeholders will then follow as regulations are being drafted for submission to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

