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Highlights of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Workers Compensation Board of Nova Scotia.

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At its meeting on December 19th 2019 the Workers' Compensation Board of Directors:

- Received a report from the Chair of the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee on discussions at the December 10th, 2019 meeting of the Committee including:
 - The Committee participated in a workshop on cyber security.
 - ➤ The Committee recommended and the Board of Directors approved the financial statements for the quarter ended September 30th, 2019.
 - ➤ The Committee received the procurement report and Officer's Certificate for the quarter ended September 30th, 2019.
 - ➤ The Committee received a year-end update on the 2019 operations, capital, legislated obligations and system support budget.
 - ➤ The Committee recommended and the Board of Directors approved changes in accounting policy and financial disclosures for the 2019 financial statements.
 - ➤ The Committee met with the external auditor and approved the terms and conditions with which the external auditor will be engaged to audit and report on the 2019 financial statements.
 - The Committee met with the external auditor to receive the results of an expense procedures report on WCB Board of Directors, senior management and employees.
 - ➤ The Committee received an overview of items that have been identified in the fourth quarter of 2019 that could pose operational, reputation or financial risks to the organization.
 - The Committee met with the External Risk Advisor and approved the work plan for the Risk Advisor for 2020.
 - The Committee received an update on the organizational rollout of Enterprise Risk Management.
 - The Committee received an update on the implementation of recommendations from the reports of the Office of the Auditor General.
- Received a report from the Chair of the Investment Committee on discussions at the December 12th, 2019 meetings of the Committee including:
 - ➤ The Committee received an update on investment performance for the quarter ended September 30th, 2019.
 - > The Committee received the results of the first phase of an Asset Liability Study.
 - The Committee received its work plan for the upcoming year.
 - ➤ The Committee conducted a year-end evaluation of its external investment consultant and manager of investment managers.
- Received a report from the Chair of the Business Transformation Advancement Program Subcommittee on discussions at the December 13th, 2019 meeting including:
 - ➤ The Subcommittee received an update on the status of the Core Systems Replacement Project.
 - ➤ The Subcommittee received a report from the External Risk Advisor on risk advisory services provided under the program.
 - ➤ The Subcommittee provided input on the Risk Advisor's Work Plan for 2020.
 - ➤ The Subcommittee received a year-end budget update on the Business Transformation Advancement Program and received an update on the 2020

budget for the program.

- Received a report from the Chair of the Governance and Policy Committee on discussions at the December 19th, 2019 meeting of the Committee including:
 - ➤ The Committee received the WCB Occupational Health, Safety and Wellness Report for the quarter ended September 30th, 2019.
 - The Committee conducted its annual review of the Corporate Governance Manual and approved a minor revision designating the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer with signing authority for Board expenses in the absence of the Executive Corporate Secretary.
 - ➤ The Committee received a year-end update from the CEO on the 2019 Corporate Plan and Balanced Scorecard Measures.
 - ➤ The Committee approved the report to the community for the quarter ended September 30th, 2019.
 - The Committee received the results of the 2019 WCB Nova Scotia's employee opinion survey.
 - The Committee received an update on a recent appeal decision in relation to the constitutionality of the gradual onset stress exclusion from the definition of accident in the Act.
 - ➤ The Committee received an update on the Human Resources Strategy for the WCB Nova Scotia.
 - ➤ The Committee received an update from the Board Chair on activities and developments since the previous Board meeting.
- Received an update from the CEO on recent activities since the previous Board meeting.

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