

WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD OF NOVA SCOTIA

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

Next meeting: October 28-29, 2021

## At its meeting on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 the Workers' Compensation Board of Directors:

- Received a report from the Chair of the Investment Committee on discussions at the September 13<sup>th</sup> 2021 meeting of the Committee including:
  - The Committee recommended and the Board of Directors approved minor revisions to the Statement of Investment Principles and Objectives.
  - The Committee received a report on investment performance for the quarter ended June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
  - The Committee received an update from Mercer on the Infrastructure and Real Estate Markets.
  - > The Committee received an update on diversity within investment teams.
  - The Committee conducted an annual review of the Terms of Reference for the Committee.
  - > The Committee received the results of the annual evaluation of the Committee.
  - The Committee provided preliminary input as part of the year-end evaluation of Manager of Investment Managers and Investment Advisory Services.
  - The Committee discussed best practice approaches in providing oversight of an Outsourced Chief Investment Officer model.
- Received a report from the Chair of the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee on discussions at the September 23<sup>rd</sup> 2021 meeting of the Committee including:
  - The Committee received an education item on International Financial Reporting Standard 17.
  - The Committee received an inventory of plans that are in place to address disaster recovery and business continuity issues.
  - The Committee recommended and the Board of Directors approved the financial statements for the quarter ended June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
  - The Committee conduct a review of the Terms of Reference of the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee. The Board approved a number of minor revisions to the Terms of Reference.
  - > The Committee received the mid-year report from the external Actuary.
  - The Committee received the Officer's Certificate for the quarter ended June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
  - The Committee reviewed the results of the annual evaluation of the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee.
  - The Committee received an update from management on procurement activity for the quarter ended June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
  - The Committee received a report of Cyber Security for the quarter ended June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
  - The Committee received an overview of items that have been identified in the third quarter of 2021 that could pose operational, stakeholder, reputational or financial risks to the organization.
  - The Committee received an update on Enterprise Risk Management for the quarter ended June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

- Received a report from the Chair of the Business Transformation Advancement Program Subcommittee on discussions at the July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 and September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meetings of the Subcommittee, including an update on the status of the post-implementation phase of the Core Systems Replacement Project.
- Received a report from the Chair of the Governance and Policy Committee on discussions at the September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 meeting of the Committee including:
  - The Committee received an update on the Occupational Health, Safety and Wellness Report of the Workers' Compensation Board for the quarter ended June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
  - The Committee recommended and the Board of Directors approved the Report to the Community for the quarter ended June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
  - The Committee conduct a review of the Terms of Reference for the Committee. No recommended changes were made by the Committee.
  - The Committee received an update from the Acting Chair on activities and developments since the previous Board meeting.
  - The Committee received an update on recent meetings of the Funding Corridor Working Group of the Board of Directors.
  - The Committee received highlights of results of the annual evaluation of the Governance and Policy Committee.
  - The Committee recommended and the Board of Directors approved the Board meeting calendar and macro agenda for 2022.
- Met with the Client Relations Officer from the WCB Nova Scotia.
- Received the mid-year reports from the Office of the Employer Advisor and the Office of the Worker Counsellor.
- Received the regular report from the CEO on activities and developments since the previous Board meeting.
- Received an update on the status of a hybrid work model for employees at the WCB Nova Scotia

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