

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.

## At its next meeting on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 the Workers' Compensation Board of Directors:

- Received a report from the Chair of the Investment Committee on discussions at the March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting of the Committee including:
  - The Committee received a report on investment performance for the year ended December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020;
  - The Committee approved a report outlining changes in investment manager fees; and
  - The Committee received a year-end evaluation of the custodian services for the WCB Nova Scotia.
- Received a report from the Chair of the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee on discussions at the March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meetings of the Committee including:
  - The Committee received a report on procurement activity for the fourth quarter, 2020;
  - The Committee had an initial discussion on the process for developing the 2022 Administrative, Legislated Obligations and System Support Budget and Operational Plan;
  - The Committee received an overview of items that have been identified in the first quarter of 2021 that could pose operational, reputational, stakeholder or financial risks to the organization;
  - The Committee received an update on the organizational rollout of Enterprise Risk Management;
  - The Committee discussed the timing and approach for an education session on enterprise-level technology risks;
  - The Committee received a update on cyber security for the for the fourth quarter, 2020;
  - The Committee recommended and the Board of Directors approved changes to authorized signatories of WCB issued checks and banking resolution updates;
  - The Committee provided input on the terms of procurement for Internal Audit Services for the WCB Nova Scotia;
  - The Committee received the preliminary 2020 year-end financial results and related year-end documents for inclusion in the 2020 Annual Report;
  - The Committee met with the External Auditor to discuss preliminary 2020 external audit results;
  - The Committee recommended and the Board of Directors approved a year-end update on the 2020 Administrative, Legislated Obligations and System Support Budget;
  - The Committee received an update on the contract status for External Audit Services for the WCB Nova Scotia; and
  - 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 Business Transformation Advancement Program Subcommittee on discussions at the March 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Subcommittee including:

- The Subcommittee received an update on the status of the Core Systems Replacement Project;
- The Subcommittee discussed key performance indicators for the Core Systems Replacement Project; and
- The Subcommittee received an update from the External Risk Advisor on the status of current risks in the Core Systems Replacement Project.
- Received a report from the Chair of the Governance and Policy Committee on discussions at the March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting of the Committee including:
  - The Committee received the WCB Occupational Health and Safety Report for the quarter ended December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020;
  - The Committee received highlights of the 2021-2023 Communications and Marketing Plan for the WCB Nova Scotia;
  - The Committee received an update on the draft 2021-2023 Strategic Plan for the WCB Nova Scotia;
  - The Committee recommended and the Board of Directors approved final targets for corporate performance measure in the 2021 Balanced Scorecard; and
  - The Committee received a report from the Board Chair on activities and developments since the previous Board meeting.
- Received the regular report from the CEO on activities and developments since the previous Board meeting.

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