



INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF DENTISTS

# COUNCIL OFFICE NOTES

## A COLLEGE AT LARGE LEADERSHIP BULLETIN

### ***REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AND CANADIAN SECTION VISIT***

For the first time ever, the Executive Council met in Canada, March 8-11<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was held in Vancouver, British Columbia, home for President Lunn. The leadership group, consisting of Secretary General Hinterman, President-Elect Aronson, Vice President Yang, Past President Siroky and Editor Sydney, met with President Lunn at his residence a day in advance of the full Executive Council. At this time, the Agenda and upcoming issues were reviewed. The full Executive convened with Treasurer Ross and CO Administrator Bula joining via Skype the two following days.

The first day of our meeting, we met with Canadian Section Fellows from District I and II at an annual breakfast meeting hosted by District I. This turned out to be an excellent opportunity for the Executive Committee to meet the local Fellows and discuss with them current activities of the College at Large and to hear about local ICD activities.

**ITEMS FROM AROUND THE WORLD** The College at Large has had a very positive start to the year with expansion into Africa and Kazakhstan. Region 34, Cameroon, Nigeria, Ghana and Kenya already have their own Facebook page up and running. Myanmar and the Philippines have performed their Convocations for this year, adding to their rosters.

We continue to nurture Section XX to activate and revitalize those Regions within. Secretary General Hinterman has finalized plans to visit the Asia Sector in early April. He will officiate during the Reactivation Ceremony and Initiation of new Fellows for Region 31 Viet Nam in Ho Chi Minh City on April 6<sup>th</sup>. He will travel on to Kuala Lumpur to meet with the leadership of ICD Region 33 Malaysia. Plans call for him to meet with Councilor Yeo Jin Fei, who is also the Regent of Region 25, Singapore. These visits are critical to the ongoing process of evaluating past Section XX performance and planning for the future.

**FACEBOOK** Each of the Officers reported on the respective committees to which they are assigned. The Communications Committee continues to encourage the Sections to participate with the College At Large Facebook page and to institute their own page.

If you were to visit the College at Large Facebook page, you would see videos of Delhi India and the Council meeting in Delhi, Myanmar's convocation, Region 34 West Africa's Convocation, Taiwan's Council meeting, outreach photographs from Madagascar from the Taiwan Root project, Canadian outreach photographs from London Ontario, Vancouver, and Haiti along with numerous photographs from Past President Siroky's visitations last year.

**LOOKING AHEAD TO SAN FRANCISCO** There will not be a formal Strategic Planning Session in San Francisco this year. There will be an open forum for the Sections to discuss pros and cons of projects they have instituted and what they have done to expand the recognition of ICD. What worked and what did not.

The Orientation Manual will be distributed earlier this year. We have a number of new Councilors and it has turned out to be a useful reference tool so our intent is to get it into your hands well before the annual meeting. Also we will be including your spouse's/partners photo in your biography this year. It is our hope to more widely distribute the Manual to Presidents and Registrars and perhaps Regents.

This year there will be more than the usual number of Constitution and Bylaws considerations at the Annual meeting. Also, the media resource document will be updated to reflect the College's current profile.

As you know the ICD Logo was well received by the Council in India and we would encourage all Sections to incorporate it on their correspondence. Also those Fellows, whose jurisdiction allows it, should make use of the logo on professional correspondence. Further guidelines will be discussed at the annual meeting. Members of the International Council are encouraged to use the official ICD letterhead for their business correspondence. A "live" template is available from Editor Sydney that allows one to type onto the letterhead and then print out a full color copy. Editor Sydney will also provide business card design featuring the ICD logo. Central Office Administrator Bula can be of assistance for those who wish to design a "signature" feature using the ICD logo for email use.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GLOBE 2012!** There was continued discussion on the distribution costs of the Globe. Speaking of which, we are delighted with the production and content of our flagship publication. Editor Dov Sydney has done a masterful job of producing a first-rate journal that we all can be proud of. It highlights the diversity within the organization yet the common bond we all share. The humanitarian projects featured in the Globe are unprecedented by any other such organization. Editor Sydney has also taken over the Web site and made many upgrades to the site. I would encourage you to look at the site, [www.icd.org](http://www.icd.org).

**DATABASE DIRECTIONS** We continue to enhance the database capabilities of the College At Large. Presently the Council Office is working with the Sections and Regions to build a better email list so the all new electronic newsletter, **The College Today**, can be sent out in April.

Also, in order to create an improved roster, the Sections and Regions are being asked to submit their required annual roster in Excel spreadsheet format. Meanwhile, The IT Committee, Councilor Joe Kenneally, Chair, is gathering and reviewing proposals from database management companies for the design and deployment of a College-wide software system that meets the needs of the ICD worldwide family.

**WELCOME DIAMOND SPONSORS** The Projects Committee, Councilor Phillip Dowell, Chair, are thanked for implementing a sponsorship program which will provide much needed support for The Globe for 2013. The inaugural sponsors are the following three corporations who share a common owner: Sigma Dental, Global Surgical and Orascopic. The Committee is optimistic concerning further commitments from sponsors.

### IN OTHER NEWS

- The International Collaborative Initiative is presently polling their members concerning student exchanges.
- The Ad-Hoc Committee on Council Representation is gathering information to be presented to full Council in San Francisco.
- The EC looked extensively at the Strategic Thinking Session questions from India and we have reported our responses to Council.
- A number of motions from the full Council meeting in India were also dealt with, some bringing forth more direction to committees and other just a matter of incorporating into the policy manuals.
- We are looking into the possibility of having an avenue to allow Fellows to bequeath monies to the College at Large.
- A Central Office review was conducted during our Executive Session as well.

**ASK THE PRESIDENT** A new service for the Fellows..... “Ask the President”..... has been instituted. This has been announced on the Web site and Facebook and we would ask you to further inform the Fellowship of this opportunity to have a direct link to the President. [president@drlunn.ca](mailto:president@drlunn.ca)

There were many positive items discussed at the EC and should you have any further questions before the full minutes are distributed, please do not hesitate to contact Secretary General Hinterman or “Ask the President”.



Garry Lunn, President



Jack Hinterman, Secretary General