

Qualifications Board Update

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Goals of the presentation

- Provide an update on the 2017-19 work plan
- Provide an update on the Guideline on the Assessment of non-CEAB Applicants
- Provide recommendations on the review of QB's Terms of Reference

Qualifications Board's mandate

- The Qualifications Board (QB) supports regulatory excellence as well as the sustainability and confidence in the profession by:
 - Developing new national guidelines on existing and qualifications issues and examination syllabi;
 - Maintaining 22 national guidelines/model guides;
 - Maintaining 24 examination syllabi;
 - Organizing cross-country teleconference calls for regulators; and
 - Conducting research, monitoring and providing advice on key issues and trends.

Status Update on Work Plan

- QB committees have set timelines to meet objectives
- New consultation step: draft guiding principles
- Status update will be provided at each QB and Board meetings
- Ambitious plan, 12 motions and 12 new/revised guidelines/syllabi
- Mid-point assessment will be conducted at the QB April 2018 meeting

Status Update

| Status | # of New/Revised Guidelines* |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Completed | 1 |
| Ongoing – on schedule | 9 |
| Ongoing – behind schedule | 1 |
| Pending | 6 |
| Total | 17 |

* Please note that this list does not include syllabi, communications activities, cross-country calls and monitoring activities

Request: 2 New Members-at-Large Positions

- QB wants to thank Engineers Canada for its ongoing support
- QB is comprised of 3 executive members + 9 QB members
- There are 7 committees, which require 7 out of 12 members to be chairs
- Each QB member is expected to sit on at least two committees
- The work load has significantly increased over the last two years
- Increasing the number of members-at-large positions could help increase capacity and diversity targets

Status Update on the Guideline on the Assessment of non-CEAB Applicants

- The need for the higher-level discussion was recognized
- There is an immediate need to provide guidance on the use of syllabi
- To be responsive, QB will develop:
 - A Model Guide on the Use of Syllabi
 - A higher-level Guideline on Assessment of Non-CEAB Applicants
- It is expected that these two documents will be drafted by April 2018

Proposed Changes to Terms of Reference

- To support the Governance Committee in reviewing its ToR, QB is recommending that:
 - The Board allocates resources to support members in understanding diversity expectations
 - Define diversity in the terms of reference and communicate targets to QB so that it can inform regulators when requesting nominations
 - Revise the terms of reference to include the proposed nominations process of new and existing members

Comments/Questions



Follow-up comments are welcomed

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