The Regulatory Staff Perspective – Joe Jamieson, OCT

Ontario College of Teachers

Duty as a Self-Regulator
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Transparency

“Sunlight is … the best of disinfectants”
- Justice Louis Brandeis

Accountability

Public Accountability

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“The one word that it comes down to is transparency. That doesn’t give you a lot of solutions, but it is one thing that is so important, as I believe it is in all the public domain. There are very few things that are more in the public domain than education.”

The Honourable Patrick LeSage, quoted from the September 2012 issue of Professionally Speaking

Recommendation 1: The College should develop a communication strategy to increase public awareness of the College and its mandate.

The Honourable Patrick LeSage and Lynn Mahoney

Public Awareness
Public Awareness Initiative

Disciplinary Role

Disciplinary Accountability
External Influence

1. OTF is opposed to the College of Teachers as enacted by The Ontario College of Teachers’ Act, 1996.
2. That OTF work for legislative changes which would repeal the College of Teachers imposed by The Ontario College of Teachers Act, 1996.

Council Governance

- College’s Election Regulation
  - 23 of 37 members of the teaching profession
  - prohibited positions with 13 identified organizations.
- Council Elections
  - union endorsed candidates
  - acclaimed positions
  - need to move beyond constituent politics.

Image source: Toronto Archives, Spacing Magazine
http://www.flickr.com/photos/spacing/1205056479/in/set-72157600931740548
Challenges

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Recommendation 48: Members of the Investigation, Discipline and Fitness to Practice Committees should be prohibited from attending the caucus meetings, which are held between elected Council members and their unions/associations when the Council agenda is discussed.

Recommendation 49: Members of the Investigation, Discipline and Fitness to Practice Committees should be prohibited from holding any elected or appointed union/association positions during their tenure on those Committees.

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College Resources

Legislated Timelines

“Justice delayed is justice denied.”

William E. Gladstone

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