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GOVERNING STYLE

1.00 POLICY STATEMENTS

- 1.01 The Board of Governors will govern with a style and manner that emphasizes an outward vision, diversity in viewpoints, and strategic leadership. The Board of Governors will:
 - 1.01.1 Exemplify ethical behaviour as per the Code of Conduct (GP-3).
 - 1.01.2 Articulate clear distinctions of Board and President roles.
 - 1.01.3 Maintain accountability to its "ownership," the taxpayers of BC.
- 1.02 The Board will govern with excellence by:
 - 1.02.1 Attendance
 1.02.2 Preparation for meetings
 1.02.3 Full and open debate, and discussion in accordance to Roberts Rules of Order
 1.02.4 Communication with one voice
 1.02.5 Continuity of governance capability
- 1.03 The Board does not intrude on the prerogative and responsibilities of management: unless in exceptional circumstances such as:
 - 1.03.1 The departure of the President with no clearly acceptable successor available

- 1.03.2 Extraordinary circumstances including serious financial difficulties
- 1.04 The Board will create and maintain a cooperative and supportive relationship with its President.
- 1.05 The Board will support regular and ongoing Board development and continuous improvement including the orientation of new members in the Board's policy governance model.
- 1.06 The Board will monitor and discuss the Board's process and performance at each meeting. Attention will be given to ensure consistency with the principles of Policy Governance model.