

## **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE ELECTION**

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**Governance can be defined as: “the system” by which entities are directed and controlled. It is concerned with structure and processes for decision making, accountability, control and behavior.”**

**Governance influences how an organization’s objectives are set and achieved, how risk is monitored and addressed, and how performance is optimized.**

**I have learned that good governance draws on four key dimensions - who has power, who makes decisions, how physicians make their voices heard, and how account is rendered.**

**Five principles of good governance include legitimacy in voice, direction, performance, accountability, and fairness.**

**These 4 key dimensions and 5 principles are outlined in detail on the Institute on Governance website which I have been utilizing in my national activities.**

**Doctors of BC is governed by a constitution and bylaws which mirror these principles.**

**Doctors of BC has a Governance Committee as a statutory entity whose mandate is to assist the board in meeting these governance obligations.**

**The role of the Governance Committee is well described on our website and I am well prepared for a role on this committee.**

**I earned my degree in Medicine from the University of British Columbia, Canada and am certified by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada in both Internal Medicine and Cardiology (FRCPC)**

**I have governance experience in both medical and non-medical arenas; for example, being a founder and director of the British Columbia Cardiac Society, Regional Governor of the American Heart Association, Regional Governor of the American College of Cardiology, and Director of the Heart and Stroke Foundation’s of both British Columbia and Canada.**

**I chaired the Royal College specialty committee on Cardiology – helping design the protocols for cardiology training in Canada and created the first Cardiology Training Program in British Columbia. I am a previous member of the UBC Medical School of Admissions committee, previous member of the UBC clinical faculty committee, previous counselor for the Canadian Cardiovascular Society, and past president of the Canadian Cardiovascular Society Academy.**

**In these later two roles, I assisted in board reformation and redesign of constitutions and bylaws.**

**I am past Director of Education and created the first CPD committee for the UBC Division of Cardiology and the first CPD Committee for the Canadian Cardiovascular society.**

**In addition to my teaching responsibilities, I have delivered more than 2200 presentations in cardiology and patterns of practice. I have co-authored 4 national practice guidelines, 56 peer reviewed articles, 68 abstracts, 2 text book chapters, and 41 non-peer reviewed papers.**

**Finally, I have created 59 special education projects including learning materials such as teaching DVDs, CDs, educational facility guides, and online projects.**

**Given demonstrated expertise in clinical and bedside medicine, academic medicine, and administrative medicine, I can be an effective member of the Governance Committee of Doctors of BC and seek your support.**