



Why Participate on the CSASK Council?

CSASK relies on member participation to meet its regulatory obligations. Participating on Council is a voluntary, professional responsibility and a privilege. There are many professional and personal benefits to participating on Council.

The CSASK Council consists of a president, president-elect, past-president, three member-at-large positions, and public representatives who are appointed by the provincial government to represent the public interest. More information regarding the estimated time commitment for each position can be found in the table that follows.

CSASK legislation requires at least five regular Council meetings and one Annual General Meeting each year. There is a potential for occasional short supplemental teleconferences to complete Council work as needed. CSASK covers all meals, accommodations and travel costs associated with meetings. An honorarium is available for members who receive no salary/remuneration for days when they attend Council meetings.

Why should I consider participating on CSASK Council?

Involvement in Council provides you with the opportunity for:

- Personal and professional growth and development
- Gaining skills in new and exciting areas that aren't part of your regular work life
- Developing your leadership, organizational, and communication skills
- Building your resume
- Growing professional contacts throughout the province
- Improving your knowledge of how services are delivered to the public
- Exercising your professional responsibility and participating in the self-governing process
- Participating in discussions that guide the direction of CSASK's future, and impacting the profession
- Bringing your unique experience, knowledge, skills, and perspective to the table
- Providing an active voice for speech-language and audiology issues that are currently facing the public, our registrants and employers

As per the CSASK Administrative Bylaws:

- Practising registrants and non-practising registrants who are currently licensed without restrictions or conditions are entitled to vote at council elections.
- Registrants who are entitled to vote at council elections are eligible to be elected as council members or continue to hold office as a member of council.
- The following are not eligible to hold or continue to hold office as a member of council:
 - (a) a person who is currently employed by the college;
 - (b) a person who was employed by the college or the former Saskatchewan Association of Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists in the previous three years;
 - (c) a practising registrant who was not licensed or a non-practising registrant who was not registered during the six months prior to the nomination period; and
 - (d) a person who has been convicted of an indictable offence under the Criminal Code (Canada).
- Nominations shall be submitted in writing to the college office supported by the signatures of two registrants that are entitled to vote. Before submitting the nomination to CSASK consent of the registrant being nominated must be obtained.

Duties of the President–Elect:

- The term of office of the President-Elect begins at the close of the meeting at which they are elected and they serve the first year as President-Elect, the second year as President, and the third year as Past-President.
- The President has signing authority together with the Executive Director and either the Past President or Member-at-Large.
- In the absence of the President, the President Elect would perform the duties of the President.
- ***Nominees for the President-Elect must have had a minimum of 5 years of experience in the profession before being nominated.**

Duties of the Member-at-Large

- The term of office for the Member-at-Large is two years.
- The Member-at-Large:
 - will attend all meetings of the College and Council;
 - be familiar with CSASK legislation and assist Council in the application of legislation to emerging issues;
 - may be assigned signing authority together with the President and the Executive Director
 - is appointed to the Membership and Registration Committee; and
 - carries out special duties or projects, as assigned by the President or Council.

Position	Brief Description of Duties and Responsibilities*			Estimates of Time Commitment		
	Meeting Preparation	Meeting Follow-up	Between Meetings	Meeting Preparation	Meeting Follow-up	Between Meetings
President-Elect	Reading materials	Following through on action items as needed	E-mail/teleconference correspondences as concerns arise	1.5-2 hours	1-2 hours	1 hour
President	Reading materials and helping Executive Director prepare agenda	Following through on action items as needed	E-mail/teleconference correspondences as concerns arise, weekly meetings with the Executive Director/Registrar	2 hours	2-3 hours	1/2 hour per week
Past-President	Reading materials	Following through on action items as needed	E-mail/teleconference correspondences as concerns arise	1.5-2 hours	45 minutes	1 hour
Member-at-large (three Positions)	Reading materials	Following through on action items as needed	E-mail/teleconference correspondences as concerns arise, attend Registration and Membership Committee meetings	1.5-2 hours	1 hour	3 hours

There are five Council meetings per year. One of the meetings is held in alignment with the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The AGMs are held in May of each year and may be attended via video/teleconference. The remaining council meetings are in-person, virtual, or hybrid (in-person and virtual). If council is unable to meet face-to-face due to weather, meetings occur via video/teleconference. An honorarium is available for members when they attend Council meetings.

*Terms of Reference (TOR) documents are available for each council position and provide a more in-depth description of the duties and responsibilities. Please contact the CSASK office (office@csask.ca) if you would like to receive the TOR for any of the council positions.