Secretary's Report at AGM 2023

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Hello everyone, my name is Arthur Wan, Secretary of the Board of Directors of ATIO.

Thank you for attending the 2023 annual general meeting. Board members have been busy working hard for the association over the past 12 months.

The Board held 11 meetings over the year following the 2022 annual general meeting, two were special instead of regular board meetings with specific purposes. The minutes of those board meetings were dutifully kept and are available upon request by certified members.

In the past year, the board approved the final details of the admission prerequisite exams which include a Code of Ethics and Bylaw exam and a language proficiency exam; this was accomplished with the support and assistance of our sister association, the Association of Translators and Interpreters of Alberta.

Additionally, the board approved the creation of a committee to relaunch the ATIO Certification Exam Preparatory Course.

The board also recruited and selected the members of the ATIO Discipline Committee – we thank those individuals for stepping up to perform this task and remind them to maintain their anonymity at this time.

The board approved a plan to enforce the ATIO By-laws pertaining to candidates for certification who are required by Part V of the ATIO by-laws to become certified within 5 years. Details will be provided to ATIO Professionals who fall into this group in the coming months.

The board made decisions that affect candidates for certification as follows: ATIO will not accept Affiliate applications from candidates from other CTTIC member associations, and Candidates for Certification are not permitted to use a Translator's Statement.

The 2023 board meetings consisted of a focus on AGM related details, such as approving AGM related documents, as well as approving proposed amendments to the bylaws.

A board member was deemed to have resigned, and the vacant position is open for nominees during today's election.

ATIO participated in the CTTIC AGM in November and addressed a number of concerns.

I look forward to continuing to serve the ATIO membership for the remainder of my term. Thank you.

Arthur Wan

Secretary of Board of ATIO