



COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRISTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

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Board Meeting Minutes: June 6, 2022 – Live and Video Conference

Approved: September 12, 2022

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Members present:

- Dr. Sally Donaldson (Chair)
- Dr. Russ Ebata
- Dr. Kim Tsang
- Dr. Harmeet Waraich
- Dr. Jaelyn McComas – via Video link
- Dr. Kelly Tokar
- Mr. Joseph Finamore (Public Member)
- Ms. Concetta Risi (Public Member)
- Ms. Joyce Kenoras (Public member) – via Video link

Staff present:

- Rick Gambrel, Registrar - via Video link
- Dr. Joan Hansen, Deputy Registrar

Dr. Donaldson, Chair called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.

The College would like to recognize that this meeting is being held within the ancestral, traditional and unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil Waututh first nations.

A quorum was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business. Dr. Donaldson welcomed all Board members to the meeting, and especially newly elected Dr. Russ Ebata. Board members introduced themselves.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was **moved, seconded, and carried** that the agenda is approved as circulated with the change of holding the elections 8.1 and 8.2 as the first order of business. Rick Gambrel chaired the meeting for the election process.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 March 7, 2022 meeting minutes.

4. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED – CONSENT AGENDA

5. REPORTS – CONSENT AGENDA

It was **moved and carried** that the Board adopts the Consent Agenda, as circulated.

6. FINANCIAL REVIEW

6.1 It was **moved and carried** that the Board approves the Balance Sheets as presented.

6.2 It was **moved and carried** that the Board approves the Income Statements as presented.

7. BUSINESS IN PROGRESS

7.1 It was **moved and carried** to appoint committee members as presented. New to Committees are Dr. Russ Ebata, Dr. Michelle Mann, Dr. Jessica Ng. Leaving committees with thank you are Dr. Evelyn Lo, Dr. Jessica Ng.

7.2 It was **moved and carried** to accept the revisions of 2.1 for the Governance manual.

7.3 Modernization of the Health Professions is on hold until further information received from Government.

7.5 The Strategic plan was reviewed. A refresh and review will be organized for the September 12 Board meeting.

7.6 The Calendar was adopted. The summer appreciation event was noted, and everyone was encouraged to attend.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 It was **moved and carried** that the Board elects Dr. Sally Donaldson to act as Chair of the Board

8.2 It was **moved and carried** that the Board elects Dr. Kelly Tokar to act as vice Chair of the Board

8.3 It was **moved and defeated** that the Board approve the request for consideration to refund the full year's registration fee under s. 139.

8.4 It was **moved and carried** that in order to ensure the sustainability of OEBC and to reduce the exam fees to a level of \$4,000 per candidate, the Colleges agrees to pay to OEBC an annual amount of \$30 per member to be held in trust by OEBC exclusively for the purposes of subsidizing the costs of the exam as necessary. The levy will be paid on April 1, 2023 and each year thereafter and will continue for 3 years after which it will be reassessed, with any funds remaining at the conclusion of the 3 years to be returned proportionally to the Colleges.

9. NEXT MEETING

The College Board has been scheduled to meet on **September 12** and **December 5, 2022**

10. IN CAMERA

The Board met In Camera

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 11:37 am.

_____ Dr. Sally Donaldson, Chair