



COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRISTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

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Board Meeting Minutes: December 6, 2021 – in person and Video Conference

Approved: March 7, 2022

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Members present:

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

Staff present:

- Rick Gambrel, Registrar
- Dr. Joan Hansen, Deputy Registrar

Dr. Donaldson, Chair called the meeting to order at 9:14 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.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was **moved, seconded and carried** that the agenda is approved as circulated

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 September 24, 2021 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.
- 6.3 The fiscal forecast was reviewed.
- 6.4 It was **moved and carried** that the Board table the Draft Budget for 2022 till after Agenda item 8.1.
- 6.5 It was **moved and carried** that the Board allocate \$500,000 to a segregated Amalgamation Fund
- 6.6 It was **moved and carried** that the Board approve the wording proposed for employee contracts regarding severance pay.

7. BUSINESS IN PROGRESS

- 7.1 Committee appointments to stay as approved June 7, 2021 with new appointees to be added to Pharmaceutical Advisory in order to review a request for the ability for Registrants to prescribe oral antivirals and antibiotics at least.
- 7.2 It was **moved and defeated** that the Board approves in principle of having OEBC as its exclusive supplier of entry-to-practice examinations once OEBC satisfies all of its Members' requirements.
- 7.3 It was **moved and carried** that the Board approve updated wording for Policy document, with three small edits.
- 7.4 Modernization of the Health Professions is on hold until further information received from Government.
- 7.5 It was **moved and carried** that the Board approve the wording of the Strategic plan in principle.
- 7.6 The Calendar was adopted.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- 8.1 It was **moved and carried** that the Board approve the Practice Enhancement program (PEP) subject to legal advice that the College can make the program mandatory for all Registrants.
- 6.4 It was **moved and carried** that the Board lift the tabled motion off the table to approve the Budget for 2022.
- 6.4 It was **moved and carried** that the Board approve the 2022 Budget.
- 8.2 It was **moved and defeated** that the Board approve the request for consideration to refund the late fee under s. 139.

9. NEXT MEETING

The College Board has been scheduled to meet on March 7, 2022; June 6, 2022

10. IN CAMERA

The Board met In Camera

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 1:54 pm.

_____ Dr. Sally Donaldson, Chair