

# **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** Monday, February 13, 2023 **TIME:** 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. *via Zoom* 

In Attendance:

DIRECTORS: GUESTS:

Stephanie Schurr, Chair

Paola Azzuolo

Neelam Bal OBSERVERS:

Donna Barker Asna Ali, Ministry of Health of Ontario (MOH)

Faiq Bilal Marnie Lofsky, *OSOT*Nick Dzudz Seema Sindwani, *OSOT* 

Allan Freedman

Elizabeth Gartner STAFF:

Jennifer Henderson
Heather McFarlane

Elinor Larney, Registrar and CEO

Carol Mieras

Leandri Engelbrecht, Manager, Registration/Interim Manager, Investigations

and Resolutions

Sarah Milton
Vincent Samuel

Stamatis Kefalianos, Director of Regulatory Affairs

Sabrina Shaw Tim Mbugua, *Policy Analyst* 

Andjelina Stanier, Executive Assistant, Scribe

**REGRETS:** 

Brittany O'Brien Teri Shackleton

### 1.0 Call to Order

Chair Stephanie Schurr welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

### 2.0 Public Protection Mandate

The Chair reminded members that all considerations and decisions are made in the best interest of the public.

# 3.0 Land Acknowledgement\*

The Chair read out the Land Acknowledgement statement (Appendix 1).

### 4.0 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

The Chair stated that Board members were asked to provide declarations of conflict of interest prior to the meeting and that none were received.

## 5.0 Approval of Agenda

The Chair called for changes to the agenda. None were reported.

MOVED BY: Paola Azzuolo

SECONDED BY: Nick Dzudz

**THAT** the agenda be approved as presented.

### **CARRIED**

#### 6.0 New Business

# 6.1 Emergency Class Registration Regulation

Jennifer Henderson, Chair of the Registration Committee, explained that in April 2022, the Ontario Government passed the Pandemic and Emergency Preparedness Act, 2022 that amended the Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991 (RHPA) to require all regulated health colleges to establish emergency classes of registration. The goal of this legislation is to ensure the province is pandemic and emergency-ready by addressing labour shortages in the health sector. She further added that this special Board meeting was called to ensure the College is ready for compliance with this legislation by May 1, 2023, the date the Ministry of Health requires all proposed regulations to be submitted. The emergency class of registration regulation is expected to come into force on August 31, 2023. The Board held a discussion.

MOVED BY: Jennifer Henderson SECONDED BY: Faiq Bilal

THAT the Board approves the amended proposed Emergency Class Registration regulation for circulation as presented and including several minor recommendations for clarification provided today.

### **CARRIED**

### 7.0 Next Meetings

- Board Meeting: Thurs., March 30, 2023, 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. at the College
- Board Meeting: Thurs., June 23, 2023, 9:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m. at the College

## 8.0 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

MOVED BY: Carol Mieras

**THAT** the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

# **APPENDIX 1: \* Land Acknowledgement**

We recognize that we work and live on traditional lands and territories of Indigenous Peoples. This includes the traditional territories of the Mississauga, the Anishnabeg (ah-nish-naw-bek) the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee (hoe-duh-nuh-show-nay) and the Wendat peoples. Today, the province of Ontario is home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis (may-tea) peoples, from the Cree in the Northern reaches to the Delaware in the south. We acknowledge that we are tasked with sharing, respecting, and valuing the land, as a source of life for us all.

**APPENDIX 2: Status of Implementation of Board Decisions** 

Board Meeting Date	Decisions	Current Status
February 13, 2023	THAT the Board approves the amended proposed Emergency Class Registration regulation for circulation as presented and including several minor recommendations for clarification provided today	Complete
January 26, 2023	THAT the Board receives the College's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Plan	Complete
January 26, 2023	<b>THAT</b> the Board approves the proposed Standards of Practice for Publication.	Complete
January 26, 2023	<b>THAT</b> the Board approves the reappointment of Debra Kennedy to the Quality Assurance Subcommittee, for a second three-year term commencing July 1, 2023.	Complete
January 26, 2023	<b>THAT</b> the Board reappoints Donna Barker for a period of 3 months to end of June 30, 2023.	Complete
January 26, 2023	THAT the Board agrees to remove Brittany O'Brien from the Inquiries Complaints and Reports Committee and appoint her to the Patient Relations Committee as determined at the January 9, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting.	Complete
	THAT the Board agrees to remove Nick Dzudz from the Patient Relations Committee and appoint him to the Inquiries Complaints and Reports Committee, as determined at the January 9, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting.	
January 26, 2023	THAT the Board approves the appointment of Jennifer Henderson and Sabrina Shaw to the Nominations Committee	Complete

Board Meeting Date	Decisions	Current Status
January 26, 2023	<b>THAT</b> the Board restructures the electoral districts, establishes a Nominations Committee, and reduces the overlap of Board and statutory committees using a volunteer method.	Ongoing
January 26, 2023	<b>THAT</b> the Board approves the inclusion of the proposed changes to the College's pension plan in the FY23/24 budget	Implementation pending
January 26, 2023	<b>THAT</b> the Board approves the plan for increasing Registration Fees by up to 2% annually for a maximum of 5 years.	Implementation pending
January 26, 2023	<b>THAT</b> the Board approves the proposed changes to the Allowable Expenses Policy with an amendment to maintain the 50 kilometre distance for hotel expenses.	Complete
October 20, 2022	<b>THAT</b> the Board adopts the new College logo for use by the College.	Complete