



# COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRISTS OF BC

Board Meeting Minutes, February 29, 2016  
Approved May 30, 2016

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

### Members present:

- Dr. Dale Dergousoff
- Dr. Manbir Randhawa (present till 10:30am)
- Dr. Joan Hansen
- Dr. Sally Donaldson
- Dr. David Schwirtz
- Dr. Pardeep Dhillon
- Mr. Wesley L. Barnaby
- Mr. Gurminder Singh Parihar
- Ms. Joyce Kenoras

### Staff present:

- Dr. Dr. Robin Simpson, Registrar
- Stanka Jovicevic, CAO/Assistant to the Registrar

Dr. Dergousoff, Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00am. A quorum was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business. This meeting was conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules, pursuant to Bylaw 26. Special rules were adopted that limit discussion to 3 minutes per person during the first round of debate and to 2 minutes per person during the second round.

Dr. Dergousoff welcomed Dr. Gordon Hensel, Dr. Kim Bugera and Dr. Grant Balen from Alberta College of Optometrists (ACO).

The duty of the College is to be fair, objective, unbiased and transparent in all of our considerations. We make policies to serve the regulatory functions of the College and act in the public interest. The Board works in a courteous spirit and the majority prevails; we speak with one voice and all discussions are directed towards the Chair.

## 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Agenda is approved as amended to include:

4.9 Correspondence received.

8.7 New business - As this item involves legal opinion, it was moved and carried that the Board goes into private session in accordance with Bylaws, s. 15.7(i), with the inclusion of ACO representatives, the Registrar and the CAO.

On resuming open session, the Board noted that the board thanked the ACO representatives for providing their perspective.

- **Action item:** the Registrar to respond to ACO

## 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 It was moved and carried that the Board approves the December 7, 2015 minutes as circulated.

## 4. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

It was moved and carried that the Board adopts Correspondence Received as follows:

- Items 4.1, 4.2, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7, 4.9 - no further action
- Items 4.3, 4.4 - the Registrar to respond to the writer
- Item 4.8 - tabled to the next meeting, as part of the Bylaws review

## 5. REPORTS

It was moved and carried that the Board accepts reports 5.1, 5.2 and 5.3 as circulated.



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## 6. FINANCIAL REVIEW

It was moved and carried that the Board of the College,

- 6.1 Approves the Balance Sheets as presented
- 6.2 Approves the Income Statements as presented
- 6.3 Approves the audited Financial Statements December 31, 2015 as prepared by Smythe LLP

## 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 7.1 OE tracker – in process
- 7.2 Committee review – deferred to the next Board meeting
- 7.3 Strategic planning cycle - tabled to the next Board meeting

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

- 8.1.1 It was moved and carried that pursuant to the Bylaw 139, the Board waives the special levy assessed, based on the compassionate grounds.
- 8.1.2 It was moved that pursuant to the Bylaw 139, the Board waives the special levy assessed, based on the compassionate grounds. Motion failed
- 8.1.3 It was moved that pursuant to the Bylaw 139, the Board waives the special levy assessed, based on the compassionate grounds. Motion failed
- 8.2 It was moved and carried that pursuant to the Bylaw 8(8), the Registrar will count the ballots on April 4, 2016 in the presence of Dr. Joan Hansen and Mr. Wesley Barnaby.
- 8.3 It was moved and carried that the Board approves the recommendation of the Quality Assurance Committee to approve the Terms of Reference of the Standards of Practice Working Group, a panel of the Quality Assurance Committee.
- 8.4 It was moved and carried that the Board approves the recommendation of the Quality Assurance Committee to approve the Terms of Reference of the Continuing Education Policy Working Group, a panel of the Quality Assurance Committee.
- 8.5 It was resolved that in accordance with the authority established in section 19(1) of the *Health Professions Act*, and subject to filing with the Minister as required by section 19(3) of the *Health Professions Act*, amends Schedule F of the bylaws of the College of Optometrists of British Columbia, as set out in the schedule attached to this resolution.
- 8.6 IRLN Screening, diagnosis and treatment in BC  
**Action item:** to create position paper based on evidence.

## 9. NEXT MEETING:

The College Board has been scheduled to meet on May 30, October 17 and December 4, 2016.  
The College AGM has been scheduled for October 16, 2016.

## 10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at noon.