



**College of Optometrists of Ontario
Council Meeting
September 13, 2024**

Attendance:

Dr. Mark Eltis, President
Dr. Camy Grewal, Vice President
Ms. Suzanne Allen
Dr. Lisa Christian
Dr. Pooya Hemami
Ms. Esther Jooda
Mr. Howard Kennedy
Dr. Richard Kniaziew

Dr. Dino Mastronardi
Dr. Kamy Morcos
Dr. Patrick Quaid
Mr. Toye Soile
Mr. Andre Tilban-Rios
Dr. William Ulakovic
Dr. Abraham Yuen

Regrets

Ms. Lisa Holland
Mr. Narendra Shah

Staff:

Mr. Joe Jamieson, Registrar & CEO
Ms. Hanan Jibry, Deputy Registrar
Mr. Chad Andrews
Mr. Edward Cho

Ms. Jaslin Facey
Ms. Debbie Lim
Ms. Adrita Shah Noor

Guest:

Ms. Julia Martin, legal counsel

- 1 **1. Call to Order/Attendance:** Dr. Eltis called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
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3 Dr. Eltis read the land acknowledgement and public interest statement.
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5 **2. Adoption of the Agenda:** A draft agenda was circulated prior to the meeting.
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7 *Moved by Ms. Jooda and seconded by Dr. Mastronardi to **adopt the agenda.***
8 **Motion carried**
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10 **2a. Conflict of Interest Declaration:** Dr. Eltis asked Council members if anyone has a conflict of interest
11 with any item on the day's agenda.
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13 No conflicts of interest were declared.
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15 **3. DEI Presentation: Vision Loss Rehabilitation Canada:** Ms. Lisa Tyrell presented on the work
16 completed by Vision Loss Rehabilitation Canada.

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18 **4. Committee Updates:** The Committee Chairs presented updates on their respective committees.
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20 **5. Consent Agenda:** A draft consent agenda was circulated prior to the meeting. The following items
21 were included in the consent agenda:

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23 PART 1 - Minutes of Prior Council Meetings

- 24 a. June 21, 2024
- 25 b. Motions and Action Items Arising from the Minutes

26 PART 2 - Reports

- 27 b. Committee Reports
 - 28 i. Executive
 - 29 ii. Patient Relations
 - 30 iii. Quality Assurance:
 - 31 iv. ICRC
 - 32 v. Registration
 - 33 vi. Discipline
 - 34 vii. Governance/HR Committee
 - 35 viii. Audit/Finance/Risk Committee

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37 Council inquired about the recent FORAC meeting and asked if there was any discussion surrounding the
38 stability of the OEBC funding. The President informed Council that the information needs to be
39 discussed by the Registration Committee and that a decision was not made at the FORAC meeting.

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41 Council asked if an update on the Council Elections can be provided. Mr. Andrews confirmed that there
42 are no updates at this time, but that the candidate profiles would be posted on September 24.

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44 *Moved by Dr. Yuen and Dr. Hemami to adopt the consent agenda.*

Motion carried

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46 Council took a break at 10:20am

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48 Council resumed at 10:50am

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50 **6. Registrar's Report**

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52 Mr. Jamieson presented his report which touched on data security and staff updates.

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54 *Moved by Dr. Grewal and seconded by Dr. Ulakovic to move in camera.*

Motion carried

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57 **IN CAMERA Session: Legal Matters**

58 In accordance with Section 7(2)(e) of the Health Professions Procedural Code, which is Schedule 2 to the
59 *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991*, to discuss legal matters.

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61 Council moved **in camera at 11:18 a.m.**

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Council moved **out of camera at 11:36 a.m.**

Mr. Jamieson stated we went in-camera to address a concern with respect to advertising of eye exams and to receive legal advice. The matter was discussed and resolved.

Council asked about what was discussed during the FORAC strategic discussion. Mr. Jamieson mentioned that the organization examined its purpose as a national body and considered the input of the provincial regulatory authorities present at the table.

7. Motions Brought Forward from Committees

a) Audit/Finance/Risk

i. Approval of the new QA Practice Assessment fees for Chart-Review Protocol (CRP) and Chart-Stimulated Recall Protocol (CSRP)

Dr. Hemami presented the motion on behalf of Mr. Shah, and asked Dr. Morcos to provide additional background information from the Quality Assurance Committee.

*Moved by Dr. Yuen and seconded by Dr. Ulakovic to **approve the QA Practice Assessment fees for Chart-Review Protocol (CRP) and Chart-Stimulated Recall Protocol (CSRP).***

All in favour
Motion carried

b) Quality Assurance

i. Approval of the proposed scope of practice amendments submission to the Ministry of Health

Dr. Morcos presented the motion.

*Moved by Dr. Yuen and seconded by Dr. Grewal to **approve the proposed scope of practice amendments submission to the Ministry of Health.***

Council discussed the feedback on the proposed scope of practice amendments.

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112 **c) Registration**
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114 **i. Approval of amendments to paragraph 18.03(15) of the College by-laws.**
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116 Dr. Yuen presented the motion.
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118 *Moved by Dr. Grewal and Ms. Jooda to approve the amendments to paragraph 18.03(15) of the College*
119 *by-laws.*
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121 Council asked about the option of changing the terms, conditions and limitations. Dr. Yuen said this
122 motion is merely a wording change as the original by-law went above and beyond what the Health
123 Professions Procedural Code required.
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126 **8. Dates of Upcoming Council Meetings**
127 a. Friday, December 13, 2024
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129 **9. List of Acronyms**
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135 **12. Adjournment:** *Moved by Dr. Ulakovic and seconded by Mr. Kennedy to adjourn the meeting at 11:56*
136 *a.m.*
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All in favour
Motion carried

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Motion carried

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