

110th Council Meeting Teleconference

Held via Zoom Friday, December 9, 2022 – 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

MINUTES

President

Vice President

Members Present: Lileath Claire

Kristine Bailey

Abdelatif Azzouz Norbert Gieger

Elizabeth Gorham-Matthews

Aisha Hasan Paul Karolidis Garnett A. D. Pryce Christopher Reis Gaganjot Singh Joseph Whang

Regrets: Avneet Bhatia

Adam-Christian Mazzuca

Absent: Michael Bakshy

Guests: Geoffrey Clute, Hilborn LLP

Ahmad Mozaffari, Steinecke, Maciura and LeBlanc

<u>Legal Counsel</u>: Rebecca Durcan, Steinecke, Maciura and LeBlanc

Staff: Roderick Tom-Ying, Registrar and CEO

Megan Callaway, Manager, Council and Corporate Services

Tera Goldblatt, Manager, Quality Assurance & Sexual Abuse Liaison Elaine Lew, Manager, Registration and Qualifying Examinations

Catherine Mackowski, Manager, Professional Conduct

1. Call to Order

The President called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

The President acknowledged that the land we are meeting on is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. It was also acknowledged that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: To approve the agenda as presented.

MOVED: A. Azzouz **SECONDED:** K. Bailey

CARRIED

3. Declaration of Conflict(s)

Comments on conflict of interest were made by Ms. Rebecca Durcan, College Counsel. No conflicts of interest were declared.

4. College Mandate

The President drew Council members' attention to the College Mission and the College Mandate, which were provided.

5. In Camera Meeting of Council

MOTION: To move the meeting in camera.

MOVED: N. Gieger **SECONDED:** G. Singh

CARRIED

Pursuant to section 7(2)(d) of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*, being Schedule 2 to the *Regulated Health Professions Act*, 1991, the meeting moved in camera at 10:07 a.m. and ex camera at 10:20 a.m.

MOTION: That the Council of the College of Denturists of Ontario hereby appoints Roderick Tom-Ying as Registrar and CEO of the College pursuant to section 9(2) of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*, being Schedule 2 to the *Regulated Health Professions Act*, 1991, effective December 9, 2022.

MOVED: N. Gieger **SECONDED:** G. Singh

CARRIED

6. Consent Agenda

It was requested that the Registrar's Report and all financial reports be removed from the Consent Agenda for this meeting and going forward.

MOTION: To approve the Consent Agenda except for items 6.13-6.16.

MOVED: E. Gorham-Matthews

SECONDED: A. Azzouz

CARRIED

The Registrar presented item 6.13: Registrar's Report. A suggestion was raised that, in light of Ms. Tera Goldblatt's new role as Manager of Quality Assurance and the Sexual Abuse Liaison, incorporating Patient Relations into the Quality Assurance Committee be considered. It was reported that the Patient Relations Committee is a Statutory Committee under the *Health Professions Procedural Code*, and that it must exist. Ms. Rebecca Durcan provided comments on the mandate and role of the Patient Relations Committee.

The Registrar presented items 6.14-6.16: Financial Report, Statement of Operations, and Strategic Initiatives Budget for April 1, 2022 to October 31, 2022.

MOTION: To approve Items 6.13-6.16.

MOVED: K. Bailey **SECONDED:** A. Azzouz

CARRIED

7. Draft Audited Financial Statements

Mr. Geoffrey Clute, Hilborn LLP presented the 2021-2022 draft audited financial statements and audit findings communication. A recommendation to align the Registration Year with the Fiscal Year was noted.

MOTION: To approve the 2021-2022 draft audited financial statements.

MOVED: N. Gieger **SECONDED:** G. Pryce

CARRIED

MOTION: To appoint Hilborn LLP as the Auditor for 2022-2023.

MOVED: E. Gorham-Matthews

SECONDED: J. Whang

CARRIED

8. Overview of the Discipline Process Guidelines

Mr. Ahmad Mozaffari, Steinecke, Maciura and LeBlanc presented the draft Overview of the Discipline Hearings Process Guidelines, which were developed to supplement the Discipline Hearings Rules of Procedure and provide members with further clarity on the hearings process in plain language.

A suggestion to provide this document in other languages as the need may arise was noted. It was also proposed that the Guidelines be sent to the associations as part of the communications plan and provided to members early in the discipline process.

MOTION: To approve the draft guidelines as presented.

MOVED: A. Azzouz **SECONDED:** J. Whang

CARRIED

9. 2022-2023 Renewal Fees

The Registrar presented a summary of the renewal fees set by Council over the past several years alongside the College's net income amount, as well as budget assumptions and analysis for 2023-2024. It was noted that the option to pay the Registration renewal fee in two installments would be provided again for 2023-2024.

A scheduled 30-minute break for lunch was held from 12:00 to 12:30 p.m.

Possible temporary and permanent fee reductions were discussed and deliberated. Council members were polled, and the majority were in support of a fee reduction in the amount of \$200, and of the fee reduction being temporary.

MOTION: To approve a fee reduction of \$200 for the 2023-2024 renewal year.

MOVED: J. Whang **SECONDED:** P. Karolidis

CARRIED

10. Annual Report

The Manager, Council & Corporate Services introduced the draft Annual Report for 2021-2022, and the Past President provided comments on the reporting period.

MOTION: To approve the draft Annual Report for 2021-2022 as presented.

MOVED: N. Gieger

SECONDED: E. Gorham-Matthews

CARRIED

11. Timely Registration Decision

The Registrar presented registration requirements that will come into force on January 1, 2023 as a result of Bill 106, the *Pandemic and Emergency Preparedness Act*, 2022, including specific prescribed timelines for the College's Registrar when reviewing completed Certificate of Registration (licensure) applications. This item was presented for information, and it was noted that the College currently meets or exceeds the prescribed timelines.

12. Language Proficiency Requirements Revised Policy

The Registrar presented proposed amendments to the College's current Language Proficiency Requirements Policy to include two new language proficiency tests that are approved and used by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC). These amendments are necessitated by the registration requirements that will come into force on January 1, 2023 as a result of Bill 106, the *Pandemic and Emergency Preparedness Act*, 2022, and were considered and approved by the Registration Committee on November 10, 2022.

MOTION: To adopt the proposed amendments to the Language Proficiency Requirements Policy as brought forward by the Registration Committee.

MOVED: N. Gieger **SECONDED:** G. Singh

CARRIED

13. Personal Information Privacy Policy

Ms. Rebecca Durcan, College Counsel introduced the draft Personal Information Privacy Policy and provided background on the Policy's purpose and development. It was noted that it is within the Registrar's role to determine who will serve as the Information Officer.

MOTION: To approve the Personal Information Privacy Policy as presented.

MOVED: A. Hasan **SECONDED:** G. Pryce

CARRIED

14. Other Business

No other business was raised.

15. Next Meeting Dates

The following proposed meeting dates for 2023 were provided:

- 111th Council Meeting March 10, 2023
- 112th Council Meeting June 9, 2023
- 113th Council Meeting September 22, 2023

114th Council Meeting – December 8, 2023

16. In Camera Meeting of Council

MOTION: To move the meeting in camera.

MOVED: P. Karolidis **SECONDED:** A. Azzouz

CARRIED

Pursuant to section 7(2)(d) of the Health Professions Procedural Code, being Schedule 2 to the Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991, the meeting moved in camera at 1:41 p.m. and ex camera at 3:04 p.m. The YouTube livestream ended at 1:40 p.m.

17. Adjournment

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.

MOVED: A. Azzouz SECONDED: A. Hasan

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Date President

Roderick Tom-Ying

Registrar and CEO

March 13, 2023

March 13, 2023

Date