



**College of Optometrists of Ontario
Council Meeting
July 29, 2020
APPROVED**

Attendance:

Dr. Patrick Quaid (President)
Dr. Richard Kniaziew (Vice-President)
Ms. Suzanne Allen
Ms. Kathryn Biondi
Dr. Linda Chan
Dr. Lisa Christian
Mr. Ravnit Dhaliwal
Dr. Camy Grewal

Ms. Winona Hutchinson
Mr. Bashar Kassir
Mr. Howard Kennedy
Dr. Lindy Mackey
Dr. Annie Micucci
Dr. Christopher Nicol
Mr. Narendra Shah
Dr. William Ulakovic
Dr. Marta Witer

Staff & Guests:

Ms. Amber Lepage-Monette

Mr. Ira Tiech

- 1 **1. Call to Order:** P. Quaid called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.
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3 **2. Adoption of the Agenda:** A draft agenda was circulated prior to the meeting.
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6 **a. Conflicts of Interest:** P. Quaid asked Council members if anyone had a conflict of interest with any
7 item on the day's agenda. None were declared.
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9 B. Kassir brought forward an item to revise the College by-law 14.02 to make Executive Committee
10 meetings, briefing materials and minutes public to provide increased transparency.
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12 Council discussed the item and requested that a briefing note be prepared with background information
13 for Council's consideration. Council noted that legal counsel should be brought into discussions related
14 to governance changes, and that the item should be reviewed by the Governance Committee.
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16 B. Kassir amended the motion.
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18 Moved by B. Kassir and seconded by K. Biondi **that the Governance Committee review the request for**
19 **Council to amend item 14.02 in the College by-laws to make Executive Committee meetings open to**
20 **the public.**
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22 H. Kennedy abstained, noting as a public member on the Executive Committee he was unsure he should
23 vote on the matter at this time.
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Motion carried

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4. IN CAMERA SESSION: In accordance with Section 7 (1.1) of the *Health Professions Procedural Code* (HPPC), Council will go in camera under Section 7(2)(d) of the HPPC, whereby personnel matters or property acquisitions will be discussed.

Moved by R. Kniaziew and seconded by W. Hutchinson **to have the meeting go in camera.**

Motion carried

13. Adjournment: Moved by N. Shah and seconded A. Micucci **to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.**

Motion carried