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**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
APRIL 22, 2020**

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2020 – 5:00 P.M.
HELD VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

Elected Members

District H Dr. Régis Vaillancourt, Ottawa
District H Ms. Nadia Facca, London
District K Mr. Mark Scanlon, Peterborough
District K Ms. Tracey Phillips, Westport
District L Mr. Billy Cheung, Markham
District L Mr. James Morrison, Burlington
District L Mr. Siva Sivapalan, Burlington
District M Mr. Mike Hannalah, Toronto - **Regrets**
District M Mr. Kyro Maseh, Toronto
District M Ms. Laura Weyland, Toronto
District N Mr. Tom Kontio, London - **Regrets**
District N Ms. Leigh Smith, Cambridge
District N Dr. Karen Riley, Sarnia
District P Ms. Rachelle Rocha, Sudbury
District T Ms. Connie Beck, Petrolia
District TH Mr. Goran Petrovic, Kitchener - **Regrets**

Dr. Lisa Dolovich, Interim Dean, Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Toronto
Dr. David Edwards, Hallman Director, School of Pharmacy, University of Waterloo

Members Appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council

Ms. Kathleen Al-Zand, Ottawa
Mr. David Breukelman, Burlington
Ms. Christine Henderson, Toronto
Ms. Tammy Cotie – **Regrets**
Mr. Azeem Khan, Pickering
Ms. Elnora Magboo, Brampton
Ms. Sylvia Moustacalis, Toronto
Mr. Dan Stapleton, Toronto
Mr. Gene Szabo, Kanata - **Regrets**

Staff present

Ms. Nancy Lum-Wilson, CEO/Registrar
Ms. Angela Bates, Director, Conduct
Ms. Connie Campbell, Director, Corporate Services
Ms. Susan James, Director, Quality
Ms. Sarah MacDougall, Board & Committee Liaison
Ms. Stephenie Summerhill, Executive Assistant to the CEO/Registrar

President's Opening Remarks

President Weyland welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that this meeting was being held via video and teleconference due to the social distancing measures recommended by Public Health in response to the state of emergency declared regarding COVID-19.

Ms. Weyland expressed her gratitude to Council members for taking the time to attend the meeting. Members were reminded of the virtual meeting platform features and informed that votes will be registered and recorded using the voting feature embedded in the platform.

1. Noting Members Present

Member attendance was noted.

2. Declaration of Conflict

There were no conflicts declared.

3. Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the Agenda was moved and seconded. **The motion CARRIED.**

4. For Decision

4.1 Briefing Note – Executive Committee – Bylaw Amendments

President Weyland invited Billy Cheung to present the briefing note.

Mr. Cheung informed the Board that the current By-Laws approved in March do not allow for a delay or extension to the elections for any other reason than interruptions to mail or electronic services. Due to the current state of emergency it was apparent that we require flexibility to respond to the current emergency and any other emergencies that may arise in the future wherein proceeding with an election and other activity associated with Board renewal is deemed impractical. This objective is being met through the proposed by-law amendments presented.

Effectively, the amendment provides for the election and all other Board activities associated with the start of a new Board year to be delayed. Accordingly, the current Board composition along with the committee appointments will stand until the first Board meeting after the election can be held, with the exception that no Director exceeds the 9 year maximum as stipulated in the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991* (RHPA). Should that happen, the seat would remain vacant until the election is held.

Once it is deemed practical the 2020 election will be called. Subsequent elections will revert to the first Wednesday in August as per the amendment.

Following discussion, **the motion was called to a vote.**

The motion: That the Board approve the attached by-law amendment enabling the College to respond to the current and future emergency situations that may impact Board elections.

The motion was moved and seconded. The motion CARRIED.

Following the passing of the motion Ms. Lum-Wilson informed the Board that the executive committee had already discussed the delay and were in agreement that should the Board pass the amendment, the election would be delayed until no later than 120 days after the day the state of emergency is lifted. This timeframe is based on the cycle of activities leading up to an election as outlined in the By-laws.

7. Motion of Adjournment

There being no further business, at 12:38 p.m., a motion to adjourn the meeting was moved and seconded. The motion CARRIED.

**Sarah MacDougall
Board & Committee Liaison**

**Laura Weyland
Board Chair**