



College of Opticians of BC – Annual General Meeting 2020 **(APPROVED MINUTES)**

Meeting Date, Time & Venue:

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

12:30pm - 2:00pm

via Zoom

Meeting called by Peter Luongo, Chair

Board Members:

Raheem Savja

Kim McEachern

Sue Randhawa

Peter Luongo

Erik Bucaneg

Barbara Larkin

Piotr Majkowski

Martin Semaniuk

Regrets:

Raj Mann

Administration:

Lisa Bannerman (Registrar/Executive Director)

Christopher Dodge (Deputy Registrar/Manager of Quality Assurance)

Victoria Spooner (Manager of Communications and Patient Relations)

Meagan Marsh (Manager of Inquiry, Discipline and Registration)

Madeline Neufeld (Coordinator of Registration and Administration)

Guests:

Jade Tien (Auditor)

Number of Registrants Online:

~50

OUR VISION

Better health through excellence in opticianry regulation to ensure safe quality vision care for all.

OUR MISSION

Regulating opticians in the public interest. We set and enforce standards and promote best practices for vision care in BC.

OUR CORE VALUES

Integrity Ethical & Fair

Transparent Accountable

Relational Collaborative

Innovative



Call to Order	1. Call to Order & Land Acknowledgement This meeting was called to order at 12:30pm.	Peter Luongo
Chair's Remarks	2. Introductions Mr. Luongo introduced other Board members to the attendees.	Peter Luongo
Adoption of the Agenda	3. Adoption of Agenda (Decision) <u>Motion</u> – Be it resolved: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the agenda for the Annual General Meeting on November 17, 2020 be adopted. 	Peter Luongo
Chair's Report	4. Chair's Report Mr. Luongo spoke about the government's recent recommendations to regulatory reform, which will result in upcoming changes for the COBC. This includes the amalgamation of the COBC with other health regulators, and a change to how Board members are appointed. He also spoke of next steps. The Chair's Report was followed by a Q&A, which included questions about deregulation, and how other regulators feel about the changes.	Peter Luongo
Registrar's Report	5. Registrar's Report Ms. Bannerman spoke about the impacts of COVID-19 for the COBC, reminded registrants of the QA Program and setting goals, and provided an update on complaint trends for the past year. The Registrar's Report was followed by a Q&A, in which a question was posed about fees.	Lisa Bannerman
Financial Statements	6. Auditor's Report Ms. Tien presented the Financial Statements, answered some questions from attendees, and encouraged attendees to review them in more detail.	Jade Tien



Presentation	<p>7. Indigenous Cultural Safety & Humility</p> <p>Ms. Spooner presented on the topic of Indigenous Cultural Safety & Humility, providing background and examples of systemic racism. She encouraged registrants to seek more education on the topic, and to incorporate the learning into their practice. The presentation was followed by a Q&A, where Ms. Spooner answered questions about where to find additional education.</p> <p>Ms. Bannerman also answered a question posed about the right to use the title 'Optician'.</p>	Victoria Spooner
Announcements	<p>8. Announcements</p> <p>Mr. Luongo advised attendees of the upcoming Board election in December, for those in the Lower Mainland.</p>	Peter Luongo
Board Appreciation	<p>9. Board Appreciation</p> <p>Mr. Luongo and Ms. Bannerman acknowledged the work of outgoing Committee members, as well as those Board members whose terms are expiring, thanking them on behalf of the Board and staff for their hard work and commitment.</p>	Peter Luongo & Lisa Bannerman
Adjournment	<p>10. Adjournment</p> <p>The meeting was called to adjourn at 2:25pm.</p>	Peter Luongo


Peter Luongo
Chair