

Council Meeting Minutes

Virtual Zoom Meeting – Livestreamed to the CDHO YouTube Channel
Friday, January 17, 2025 – 11:15 a.m. to 1:49 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Professional Members: Michelle Atkinson, Anne-Marie Conaghan (Academic), Jennifer Cooper (Academic), Vanessa Pereira, Terri Strawn (1:13p.m.-1:49p.m.), Balbir Sohi, Juli Kreutner, Carmen Adebar, Liisa Moore, Tiffany Murray

Public Members: Pella Giabanis, Margaret Wade, Loree Beniuk, Erin Betts, Christina Lee-Rotstein, Amit Sethi

Regrets: Sasha Sidhu, Candace Herod

Administration: Dr. Glenn Pettifer (Registrar and CEO), Veronica Douglas (Executive Administrator), Suzanne Fox (Director of Corporate Services), Eric Bruce (Deputy Registrar and Director of Registration and Professional Conduct)

Guests: Julie Maciura, SML, CDHO Legal Counsel (11:15a.m. to 1:49p.m.)

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Opening Remarks

The Council Vice-Chair, Michelle Atkinson, called the meeting to order at 11:16 a.m. She welcomed Council and guests to the January Council meeting. The following land acknowledgment was made:

“I’d like to begin by acknowledging the indigenous peoples of all the lands that we are on today. While we meet today on a virtual platform, I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the importance of the lands which we, Council, Council guests, staff, and those watching on YouTube, each call home.”

1.2 Council Code of Conduct

Council was reminded of the Code of Conduct

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2.1 Review and Approval of Agenda

MOTION: **THAT** Council moves to approve the January 17, 2025 Council meeting agenda as presented.

MOVED: Erin Betts
SECONDED: Vanessa Pereira
VOTE:

CARRIED

3.0 DECLARATIONS OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

3.1 Declarations of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts were declared.

4.0 BOARD EDUCATION

4.1 Council Orientation

Julie Maciura from Steinecke Maciura LeBlanc presented to Council about Council's roles and responsibilities. Ms. Maciura spoke about legislation, self-regulation, public interest, governance, fiduciary duties of Council members, and conflict of interest.

5.0 ELECTION OF 2025 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The elections were presided over by the Registrar, Dr. Glenn Pettifer, and an overview of the nominations and voting process for all eligible positions on the 2025 Executive Committee was provided.

5.1 Appointment of Scrutineers

As provided under Schedule II of the Bylaws, the Registrar appointed Eric Bruce and Suzanne Fox as Scrutineers for the 2025 Executive Committee elections.

MOTION: To appoint Eric Bruce and Suzanne Fox as the Scrutineers for the 2025 Executive Committee election.

Moved: Terri Strawn
Seconded: Erin Betts
VOTE:

CARRIED

5.2 Nominations and Election of Chair

The floor was opened for the position of Council Chair. The term for Chair shall commence on January 17, 2025, and end at the first meeting in 2026 when a new election for Chair is held.

The following nominations were made:

Nominated:
Michelle Atkinson

Nominator:
Terri Strawn

Michelle Atkinson accepted the nomination.

There were no additional nominees from the floor for the position of Chair after a second and third call by the Registrar.

Michelle Atkinson was acclaimed to the position of Chair.

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Amit Sethi was acclaimed to the fifth Executive Committee position.

The 2025 Executive Committee was established as follows:

Member:	Position:
Michelle Atkinson	Chair
Terri Strawn	<i>Vice-Chair</i>
Vanessa Pereira	<i>Professional</i>
Erin Betts	<i>Public</i>
Amit Sethi	<i>Public</i>

The Registrar closed the election.

6.0 SELF-EVALUATION OF GOVERNANCE PROCESS

6.1 Council Meeting Evaluation

The Council Feedback Survey was sent to Council members to be completed electronically.

7.0 NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Council meeting is March 28, 2025.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: THAT the Council meeting be adjourned at 1:58 p.m.

MOVED: Amit Sethi
SECONDED: Margaret Wade
VOTE:

CARRIED

Approved by:



Signature of Chair, Michelle Atkinson

March 28, 2025

Date