



College of Chiropodists of Ontario

**Minutes of the Council Meeting  
Wednesday, December 4, 2024 – Virtual (via Zoom)**

**Council Members in Attendance:**

Matthew Andrade  
Chad Bezaire  
Ed Chung  
Jim Daley, Public Appointee  
Jinyu Gu  
Allan Katz, Public Appointee  
Mary Ellen Kennedy-Mitchell  
Andrew Klayman  
Tobi Mark, Selected Member  
Murtuza Najmudin  
Reshad Nazeer, Public Appointee  
Andrew Simmons, Public Appointee  
Sukhwinder Pal Singh, Public Appointee  
Jannel Somerville  
Peter Stavropoulos (Chair)

**Regrets:**

Guransh Brar, Public Appointee

**Staff in Attendance:**

Nicole Zwiers – Registrar and CEO  
Meghan Clarke – Deputy Registrar & Manager, Professional Conduct and Hearings

**General Legal Counsel:**

Amy Block, Weir Foulds LLP

**Guests:**

Sarah Kibaalya, Senior Policy Analyst, Ministry of Health

**Call to Order**

**Call to Order, Appointment of Secretary, Land Acknowledgement, Approval of Professional Member Prep Time**

P. Stavropoulos called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m., noting that notice of the meeting was given, and the meeting was properly constituted with a quorum present, and welcomed Council members and guests.

M. Clarke was appointed as Secretary.

A. Katz delivered a land acknowledgement to honour and remember the original inhabitants of the land, on which we are privileged to live and work.

A. Klayman proposed 90 minutes of preparation time for professional members of Council.

*It was moved by P. Stavropoulos and seconded by E. Chung to approve 90 minutes of preparation for professional members. – Motion CARRIED.*

### **Approval of Agenda**

*It was moved by A. Katz and seconded by M. Najmudin to approve the December 4, 2024 agenda. – Motion CARRIED.*

### **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

T. Mark, as an employee of the Mitchener Institute, declared a conflict of interest with item 7.3.2. No other conflicts were declared.

### **Approval of Minutes of September 31, 2024 Council Meeting**

*It was moved by J. Daley and seconded by M. Andrade to approve the minutes of the September 31, 2024 Council meeting. – Motion CARRIED.*

### **Welcome Guests**

N. Zwiers welcomed Council, staff and guests and online observers to the session.

### **Decision Items**

#### **3.1 By-law revisions for the Ontario Chiropody and Podiatry Discipline Tribunal \*\***

*It was moved by R. Nazeer and seconded by E. Chung that Council approve the proposed revisions to By-law 1, effective January 1, 2025, to allow for the Ontario Chiropody and Podiatry Discipline Tribunal (OCPDT). – Motion CARRIED*

#### **3.2 Appointment of Chair of the Ontario Chiropody and Podiatry Discipline Tribunal effective January 1, 2025**

*It was moved by A. Katz and seconded by T. Mark that Council appoint David Wright as the Chair of the Ontario Chiropody and Podiatry Discipline Tribunal, effective January 1, 2025. – Motion CARRIED*

M. Kennedy-Mitchell asked if there should be a term assigned to the appointment, and N. Zwiers explained that a term is not necessary because Council has agreed to proceed with the Tribunal on a one-year pilot basis and the contract can be terminated at any time.

#### **3.3 Appointment of Vice-Chair of the Ontario Chiropody and Podiatry Discipline Tribunal effective January 1, 2025**

*It was moved by R. Nazeer and seconded by J. Gu that Council appoint Cesar Mendez as the Vice-Chair of the Ontario Chiropody and Podiatry Discipline Tribunal, effective January 1, 2025. – Motion CARRIED*

### 3.4 Appointment of Discipline Tribunal Members

*It was moved by J. Somerville and seconded by C. Bezaire that Council approve the appointment of Discipline Tribunal Members Raj Anand, Shayne Kert, Sherry Liang, Sophie Martel, Jennifer Scott, David Wright and Jay Sengupta, effective January 1, 2025. – Motion CARRIED*

### 3.5 Adding CE Fees to By-law 2 and Removing Cheques

*It was moved by J. Somerville and seconded by M. Najmudin that Council approve, in principle, the amendments to By-law 2 as set out in Appendix A, and that Council direct that the proposed amendments be circulated to registrants and other stakeholders for comment for 60 days before the matter is returned to Council. – Motion CARRIED*

### In Camera

*It was moved by P. Stavropoulos and seconded by J. Daley to move in camera pursuant to section 7(2)(b) of the Health Professions Procedural Code on the basis that financial or personal or other matters may be disclosed of such a nature that the harm created by the disclosure would outweigh the desirability of adhering to the principle that meetings be open to the public. – Motion CARRIED.*

Council moved in-camera at 7:57 p.m.

T. Mark was not in the Zoom breakout room for the in-camera discussion for item 7.3.2.

Council ended the in-camera portion of the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

### 7.3.1 Proposed Amendments to the Registration Regulation

*It was moved by P. Stavropoulos and seconded by A. Klayman that Council recommend the proposed registration regulation amendments, as circulated, for consideration by the Ministry of Health – Motion STRUCK DOWN.*

**In Favour:** A. Simmons, M. Najmudin

**Opposed:** M. Andrade, C. Bezaire, E. Chung, J. Daley, J. Gu, A. Katz, M. Ellen Kennedy-Mitchell, A. Klayman, T. Mark, R. Nazeer, S. Pal Singh, J. Somerville, P. Stavropoulos.

*It was moved by P. Stavropoulos and seconded by E. Chung that Council approve the proposed amendments to the registration regulation, with the exception of the labour mobility provisions that were circulated, for consideration by the Ministry of Health. – Motion CARRIED.*

### Next Meeting

Thursday, January 30, 2025

### Adjournment

*It was moved by P. Stavropoulos and seconded by M. Najmudin that the meeting be adjourned. – Motion CARRIED.*  
The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.