Council Meeting
College of Homeopaths of Ontario (CHO)
Minutes
Thursday, June 12, 2025
by telephone and video conference

Present

Council

Bhupinder Sharma	Professional (Chair to agenda item 5)
Kerri Flood	Professional (Chair after agenda item 6)
Akhlaq Ahmad	Professional
Sajeev Ampadi	Professional (until approximately 11:00 a.m.)
Ayinde Azeez	Public
Heather Broadhead	Public
Tyler Groen	Professional
Catherine Kerr	Public
Kamika Mclean	Public
Sanjeev Nayyar	Professional
Yen Tran	Public
Paridhi Wasal	Professional

Staff

Kathryn Harvey	Deputy Registrar (recorder)
Heidi Ricks	Registration Manager (election scrutineer, item 6)
Basil Ziv	Registrar and CEO

Guests

Sarah Kibaalya	Health Workforce Regulatory Oversight Branch, Ministry of Health
Carly Waisglass	Steinecke Maciura LeBlanc (election scrutineer, item 6)

1 Call to Order

The President called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. and conducted a roll call.

2 Welcome to New Council Members

The Chair welcomed Sarah Kibaalya from the Ministry of Health. New Council members Tyler Groen and Sajeev Ampadi introduced themselves.

3 Agenda

3.1 Consent Agenda and Committee Reports

3.1.1 Update on Action Items
3.1.2 Membership Scorecard
3.1.3 ICRC Report
3.1.4 Registration Committee Report
3.1.5 CPMF
3.1.6 OFC Report
3.1.7 SML Grey Areas

S. Nayyar asked that item 3.1.4 Registration Committee Report be raised in Other Business.

Motion # 1: To adopt the consent agenda as amended
Moved by H. Broadhead, seconded by A. Ahmad

That Council adopt the consent agenda as amended.
CARRIED

3.2 Adoption of Agenda
(Appendix 3.2 Council Agenda)

Motion # 2: To adopt the agenda
Moved by H. Broadhead, seconded by K. Flood

That Council adopt the agenda.
CARRIED

4 Declaration of Conflict of Interest
(Appendix 4.1 Council Member Declarations re: Conflict of Interest)

None declared.

5 Approval of Minutes

5.1 February 20, 2025
(Appendix 5.1 Minutes, February 20, 2025 Council meeting)

Motion # 3: To approve the minutes of February 20, 2025
Moved by H. Broadhead, seconded by C. Kerr

That Council approve the minutes of its February 20, 2025 meeting.
CARRIED

6 Election of Executive Committee

Motion # 4: To appoint scrutineers
Moved by H. Broadhead, seconded by K. Mclean

That Council appoint as scrutineers Carly Waisglass of Steinecke Maciura LeBlanc and Heidi Ricks, CHO Registration Manager.
CARRIED

Motion # 5: To appoint a Chair for the election
Moved by H. Broadhead, seconded by K. Flood

That Council appoint Registrar Basil Ziv as Chair for the duration of the election process.
CARRIED

Following the election of the President, staff and Council members were unable to reach S. Ampadi by phone, text, chat or email. After considerable time without contact, legal counsel was consulted and it was determined that the election could continue with the ballots in hand and move forward in Mr. Ampadi's absence.

Motion # 5: To move ahead with votes in hand
Moved by H. Broadhead, seconded by Y. Tran

That Council continue with the election in S. Ampadi's absence.
CARRIED

The result of the election process was as follows:

President: Kerri Flood
Vice-President: Akhlaq Ahmad
Treasurer: Yen Tran
Member-at-Large: Ayinde Azeez
Member-at-Large: Tyler Groen
Past President: Bhupinder Sharma

Motion # 7: To destroy the ballots
Moved by C. Kerr, seconded by Y. Tran

That Council instruct the scrutineers to destroy the ballots.
CARRIED

Motion # 8: To turn over the chair to the President
Moved by A. Ahmad, seconded by C. Kerr

That the President assume the position of Chair for the remainder of the meeting.
CARRIED

Secretary's note: In the days following the meeting, an error in process was identified and the final results were confirmed to be as follows:

President: Kerri Flood
Vice-President: Akhlaq Ahmad
Treasurer: Yen Tran
Member-at-Large: Ayinde Azeez
Member-at-Large: Bhupinder Sharma
Past President: not applicable

Secretary's note:
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NOTE: All *in camera* agenda items were deferred to future meetings. There was no *in camera* session at this meeting.

13 Other Business and Action Items Arising

Consent agenda item 3.1.4 Registration Committee Report was discussed. Staff clarified that the report described the outcome of the Committee's meeting and that specific motions would be included in the formal minutes to be approved by the Committee at its next meeting.

14 **HBS Preparation Time**
Half day preparation, half day meeting
Start time: 10:07 a.m.
End time: 12:38 p.m.

15 **Adjournment**

Motion # 11: To adjourn
Moved by Y. Tran, seconded by C. Kerr

That Council adjourn at 12:38 p.m.
CARRIED

The Chair agrees these minutes are an accurate reflection of the meeting.

Chair **Date**

Council Meeting
College of Homeopaths of Ontario (CHO)
Minutes
Thursday, September 25, 2025
by telephone and video conference

Present

Council

Kerri Flood	Professional (Chair)
Akhlaq Ahmad	Professional
Sajeev Ampadi	Professional
Ayinde Azeez	Public
Tyler Groen	Professional
Catherine Kerr	Public
Sanjeev Nayyar	Professional
Bhupinder Sharma	Professional
Yen Tran	Public
Paridhi Wasal	Professional

Regrets

Kamika Mclean	Public

Staff

Kathryn Harvey	Deputy Registrar (recorder)
Basil Ziv	Registrar and CEO

Guests

Sarah Kibaalya	Health Workforce Regulatory Oversight Branch, Ministry of Health
Cristina DeCaprio	Consultant, Third-party Evaluator
Christa Casey	Auditor, Welch LLP (item 6.1 only)
Vincy Yan	Auditor, Welch LLP (item 6.1 only)

1 Call to Order

The President called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and conducted a roll call. It was noted that Heather Broadhead, a public appointee since 2019, had resigned from Council and that the Health Board Secretariat had been contacted in the hope of having a new public member appointed as soon as possible. Guests Sarah Kibaalya from the Ministry of Health and Cristina DeCaprio, the third-party evaluator, were welcomed.

2 Third-Party Evaluation Process

Consultant Cristina DeCaprio introduced the process of third-party evaluation of Council as required by the CPMF.

3 Agenda

3.1 Consent Agenda and Committee Reports

3.1.1 Update on Action Items
3.1.2 Membership Scorecard
3.1.3 Executive Committee Report
3.1.4 Spousal Exception Update
3.1.5 QA Program Update

3.1.6 Academic Program Approval
3.1.7 SML Grey Areas

P. Wasal asked that item 3.1.2 Membership Scorecard be raised in Other Business. It was agreed that this item would best be addressed along with the Statement of Operations (agenda item 7).

Motion # 1: To adopt the consent agenda as amended
Moved by C. Kerr, seconded by Y. Tran

That Council adopt the consent agenda as amended.
CARRIED

3.2 Adoption of Agenda
(Appendix 3.2 Council Agenda)

Motion # 2: To adopt the agenda as amended
Moved by C. Kerr, seconded by T. Groen

That Council adopt the agenda as amended.
CARRIED

4 Declaration of Conflict of Interest
(Appendix 4.1 Council Member Declarations re: Conflict of Interest)

None declared.

5 Approval of Minutes

5.1 June 12, 2025
(Appendix 5.1 Minutes, February 20, 2025 Council meeting)

Motion # 3: To approve the minutes of June 12, 2025
Moved by B. Sharma, seconded by Y. Tran

That Council approve the minutes of its June 12, 2025 meeting.
CARRIED

6 Audit

6.1 Audited Financial Statements
(Appendix 6.1 2024-2025 Audited Financial Statements and Letter to the Board)

Christa Casey of Welch LLC presented the audited financial statements, noting that the audit was clean and that staff had been of great assistance throughout the process.

Motion # 4: To approve the audited financial statements as presented
Moved by A. Ahmad, seconded by S. Nayyar

That Council approve the 2024-2025 audited financial statements as presented.
CARRIED

6.2 Appointment of Auditor 2025-2026

It was agreed by consensus that issues relating to the appointment of an auditor for 2025-2026 would require further consideration and would therefore be referred to the Executive Committee for a recommendation.

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Motion # 5: To move *in camera*
Moved by C. Kerr, seconded by S. Nayyar

That Council move in camera at 10:45 a.m.
CARRIED

9 Standards and Guidelines Review

Prior to the meeting, each Council member had been assigned two standards and/or guidelines to review and comment on. During this session, each Council member presented their assessment, suggesting amendments, additions, and other considerations. Responses were tracked and summarized. Staff will move forward with incorporating minor changes and determining where material should be referred for more significant revisions. A follow-up report will be provided at the February 2026 meeting.

10 Committee Assignments

(Appendix 10.1 Committee Assignments Report Form)

Staff presented a proposed slate of committee appointments designed to address needs within bylaw requirements and balance skills.

Motion # 9: To approve committee appointments as presented
Moved by C. Kerr, seconded by S. Ampadi

That Council approve the slate of 2025-2026 committee appointments as presented.
CARRIED

11 Update on Projects

Staff presented an overview of projects in progress, including a proposal to allow homeopaths to order laboratory tests directly. Other rebranding initiatives were discussed. Revisiting the triad will help to determine priorities and direction.

12 Other Business and Action Items Arising

The Registrar described the academic program approval process.

Staff noted that Council members would be polled shortly to set meeting dates for the upcoming year.

13 HBS Preparation Time

Full day preparation, full day meeting
Start time: 10:05 a.m.
End time: 1:50 p.m.

14 Adjournment

Motion # 10: To adjourn
Moved by A. Ahmad, seconded by C. Kerr

That Council adjourn at 1:50 p.m.
CARRIED

The Chair agrees these minutes are an accurate reflection of the meeting.

Chair **Date**

Council Meeting
College of Homeopaths of Ontario (CHO)
Minutes
Thursday, February 26, 2026
by telephone and video conference

Present

Council

Kerri Flood	Professional (Chair)
Akhlaq Ahmad	Professional
Sajeev Ampadi	Professional
Ayinde Azeez	Public
Catherine Kerr	Public
Kamika Mclean	Public
Sanjeev Nayyar	Professional
Bhupinder Sharma	Professional
Yen Tran	Public
Paridhi Wasal	Professional

Regrets

Tyler Groen	Professional

Staff

Kathryn Harvey	Deputy Registrar (recorder)
Basil Ziv	Registrar and CEO

Guests

Vivian Pang	Health Workforce Regulatory Oversight Branch, Ministry of Health

1 Call to Order

The President called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and conducted a roll call. Guest Vivian Pang from the Ministry of Health was welcomed.

2 Agenda

2.1 Consent Agenda and Committee Reports

3.1.1 Minutes, September 25, 2025
3.1.2 Update on Action Items
3.1.3 Third-Party Evaluation Report
3.1.4 Executive Committee Report
3.1.5 ICRC Report
3.1.6 QA Program Update
3.1.7 Resources from SML

Motion # 1: To adopt the consent agenda
Moved by C. Kerr, seconded by S. Nayyar

That Council adopt the consent agenda.
CARRIED

2.2 Adoption of Agenda
(Appendix 2.2 Council Agenda)

Motion # 2: To adopt the agenda
Moved by Y. Tran, seconded by P. Wasal

That Council adopt the agenda.
CARRIED

3 Declaration of Conflict of Interest
(Appendix 3.1 Council Member Declarations re: Conflict of Interest)

None declared.

4 Registrar's Report
The Registrar reported on a long list of initiatives focused on meeting the mandate of the College and encouraging growth of the profession. These included supporting interprofessional collaboration, educating the public, continuing to pursue the inclusion of homeopathy in insurance benefits packages, and establishing a library of professional education resources focused on regulatory issues.

5 Stakeholder Relations
(5.1 Report Form: Stakeholder Relations)

In response to a request from the Ontario Homeopathic Medical Association for a written policy on how the College interacts with external stakeholders, staff presented a proposal that would allow for College participation in events if and only if the event would be open to all CHO registrants at no cost and provided participation in the event was within the human resource capacity of the College.

Council opted to defer voting on a suggested motion so that consideration could be given to CHO participation in larger, paid events such as annual conferences.

6 OPGO
The Deputy Registrar provided a status update on items in the 2025-2026 Operating Plan, Goals and Objectives (OPGO). It was noted that the existing format of the document has been in place for several years and might benefit from reworking to reflect a more strategic approach. Staff will begin the process of developing a new, more streamlined way to set priorities and track deliverables.

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Motion # 5: To move *in camera*
Moved by S. Nayyar, seconded by K. Mclean

That Council move in camera at 11:47 a.m.
CARRIED

9 Election Process Testing

Council members tested voting using the Zoom platform. It was agreed that this approach could be used for the election of Executive members in June, and that another rehearsal of the process would be conducted with a scrutineer prior to the election.

10 Other Business

None.

11 HBS Preparation Time

Half day preparation, half day meeting
Start time: 10:03 a.m.
End time: 12:08 p.m.

12 Adjournment

Motion # 10: To adjourn
Moved by A. Ahmad, seconded by A. Azeez

That Council adjourn at 12:08 a.m.
CARRIED

The Chair agrees these minutes are an accurate reflection of the meeting.

Chair **Date**