

MANITOBA COLLEGE OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS

Draft Minutes

ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023

Zoom & In-Person Meeting

Met Entertainment Centre, Winnipeg MB

In Attendance:

Dr. Ganesan Abbu	Dr. Kaitlin Cyr	Dr. Jocelyne Danais-Brown
Dr. Joanna Lynch	Dr. Himani Bhasin	Dr. Kamal Gupta
Dr. Padma Mongru	Dr. Elena Bykova	Dr. Karen Robinson
Dr. Ashley Bhullar	Dr. Andrea Mok	Dr. Kiannaz Kiani
Dr. Katrina Leong	Dr. Edward Pilat	Dr. Kristen Creek
Dr. Karen Appel	Dr. Amera Rasool	Dr. Lydia Derzko
Dr. Manish Garg	Dr. Karen Braun	Dr. Mollie Atainyang
Dr. Heather Gooden	Dr. Wai Ching Tse	Dr. Niranjan Paul
Dr. Wendy Smith	Dr. Gabriel Furman	Dr. Patrick Fredette
Dr. Pravinsagar Mehta	Dr. Nicole Wiens	Dr. Perry Gall
Dr. Rakesh Gera	Dr. Robert James Boyd	Dr. Rafiq Andani
Dr. Jacqueline Anand	Dr. Beverly Rutherford	Dr. Alan Katz
Dr. Margaret Speer	Dr. Anna Schwartz	Dr. Richard Rusk
Dr. Fatema Begum	Dr. Ben Stride-Darnley	Dr. Ronalyn Espinol
Dr. Noreen Nasir	Dr. Clarissa Koh	Dr. Sarah Kredentser
Dr. Mahmood Nasir	Dr. Richard Morrow	
Dr. Leslie Simard-Chiu	Dr. Jacqueline Hebert	
Dr. Jason Ching	Dr. Jared Davies	

Guests:

Dr. Christie Newton, Dr. Laurence Loh CFPC
Lionel Houston (Elder)
Gabrielle Zaporozan (Heartland CPAs)
Avent-Pro

Staff: Lisa Goss, Staci Bailey, Symphony Spence, Taylor Catcheway

1. CALL TO ORDER / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Opened the meeting with a morning prayer from elder Lionel Houston.

Dr. Joanna Lynch, President, called the meeting to order at 9:12 am. Dr. Lynch extended greetings and began the meeting with a territorial land acknowledgement.

Dr. Lynch explained the process of the virtual-onsite hybrid meeting, including speaking, voting, discussion, and questions to assure full member participation on both platforms.

- a. Dr. Lynch confirmed the meeting has a quorum of 25+ voting members in attendance, as per the MCFP By-Laws.
- b. Dr. Lynch asked if anyone in attendance had a conflict of interest pertaining to the proceedings of the meeting. None were declared.
- c. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: BE IT MOVED that the agenda of the Annual Meeting of Members be approved as presented.

MOVED: Dr. Karen Appel

SECONDED: Dr. Ashley Bhullar

ABSTENTIONS: None.

DISCUSSION: None.

CARRIED

2. MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2020/2021 AMM MINUTES

MOTION: BE IT MOVED that the Annual Member Meeting Minutes of 2021/2022 be approved as presented.

MOVED: Dr. Ashley Bhullar

SECONDED: Dr. Katrina Leong

ABSTENTIONS: None.

DISCUSSION: None.

CARRIED

3. Presentation of the Audited Financial Statements, Heartland CPAs

Presented by Heartland CPAs. The membership was provided with an opportunity for questions.

The meeting was turned over to Dr. Karen Appel. The secretary/treasurer presented the following motion:

a. Approval of audited financial statements

MOTION: BE IT MOVED that the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending October 31, 2022 be accepted as presented.

MOVED: Dr. Ashley Bhullar

SECONDED: Dr. Ian Alexander

ABSTENTIONS: None.

DISCUSSION: None.

CARRIED

4. Appointment of Heartland CPAs as auditors for the MCFP 2022/2023 fiscal year ending October 31, 2023

MOTION: BE IT MOVED that Heartland CPAs be the Heartland CPAs be appointed as auditors for the MCFP for the fiscal year ending October 31, 2023.

MOVED: Dr. Ashley Bhullar

SECONDED: Dr. Ian Alexander

ABSTENTIONS: None.

DISCUSSION: None.

CARRIED

5. President's Report

Dr. Lynch highlighted the following: acknowledging the importance of family medicine and spoke to the issues and needs of family physicians. She gave a heartfelt thanks to Executive Director Lisa Goss, to the board and the staff of the College and is excited to see the College carry forward under the leadership of Dr. Abbu.

6. Executive Director's Report

Lisa expressed her deep gratitude and admiration for the family physicians of Manitoba and gave her thanks to the staff, board, and volunteers at the ASA. She voiced her commitment to supporting the College and membership and looks forward to continuing to work together.

7. CFPC President's Report

Dr. Christie Newton acknowledged family physicians' issues and assured the CFPC is listening and responding to their concerns and highlighted some work the CFPC has been doing on their behalf; including working on practice reform and education transformation. The CFPC has issued six position papers on topics members find most important including addressing administrative burden, locum support, workforce supply, practice infrastructure support, compensation modernization and equity. These reports have influenced the House of Commons' Standing Health Committee and shows in their report "Addressing Canada's Health Workforce Crisis." The CFPC has launched team primary care training for training, a large employment and social development Canada grant that funds 65 health transformation projects across Canada and continues to support provinces through the Patients Medical Home. The CFPC is committed to working with federal partners and provincial chapters to advocate more funding & new investments reflecting the importance of Family Medicine in Canada's healthcare system. They have put together task force groups for anti-racism and education reform. CFPC is currently in the process of new strategic planning and looks forward to working together to make a lot more positive change. Dr. Newton gave her congrats on another successful year although it has not been an easy one.

8. Report of the Nominating Committee

Dr. Lynch gave a few words on the nominating committee structure and mentions the MCFP has moved to a skill-based board structure several years ago to ensure a roster of high-quality candidates that have the skills and diverse perspectives to fulfill their role. The nominating process includes interviews and using the ideal board member and matrix tools, before being reviewed and presented to membership followed by an extensive orientation. With no other questions or comments, Dr. Lynch made the following motion.

MOTION: BE IT MOVED that the nomination committee proposed slate for the MCFP Board of Directors be adopted as presented and said directors will hold positions up to and until the next Annual Meeting of Members or end of their term.

MOVED: Dr. Pravin Mehta

SECONDED: Dr. Ian Alexander

ABSTENTIONS: None.

DISCUSSION: None.

CARRIED

9. Installment of the New President

Dr. Joanna Lynch welcomed Dr. Ganesan Abbu to the podium, where Dr. Christie Newton passes on the symbol of office. Dr. Abbu gave thanks to Dr. Lynch for her leadership throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and thanks to the board and staff of the College. He addresses the struggles family medicine is currently experiencing, but despite the gloomy angle, sees opportunity to reinvent and reimagine what family medicine could look like. Dr. Abbu believes that we need to add action to advocacy, and need to engage more actively with government and with people who influence the future of family medicine. In closing, Dr.

Abbu is hopeful membership will reach out to the College with ideas and suggestions to move their agenda forward and be the driving force in this advocacy.

10. Adjournment

MCFP President Dr. Abbu moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 am.

ADJOURNED