



SDHA

Saskatchewan Dental Hygienists' Association

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday March 20th, 2024
7:00 PM
Virtual: ZOOM

Opening Remarks:

- Only those who are registrants of the Saskatchewan Dental Hygienists' Association are eligible to speak or vote on any matter, and only those registrants who were in attendance at the March 25th, 2023 Annual General Meeting are eligible to make a motion related to the 2023 Annual General Meeting Minutes.
- Registrants were instructed to utilize the 'reactions' feature on the Zoom platform in order to make or second a motion.
- It was announced that the President will be calling for a vote by objection. Therefore, each registrant's silence will serve as a vote. If a registrant is not in favor of the vote or has questions, instructed to direct these at the Moderator by means of the chat function.
- It was announced that elections will be accomplished by means of a virtual poll. A test poll was launched to practice utilizing.

1. Call to order

- Council President Stacie Beadle called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.
- Virtual Land Acknowledgment.
- Quorum was reached.
 - The Saskatchewan Dental Hygienists' Association currently has 750 members; 114 are present today.
- Council introductions:

<i>Stacie Beadle</i>	<i>President</i>
<i>Lisa Pollock</i>	<i>Vice President</i>
<i>Carla Ofstie</i>	<i>Elected Member</i>
<i>Barbara Lacourciere</i>	<i>Elected Member</i>
<i>Tessa Creary</i>	<i>Elected Member</i>
<i>Kayla Bakken</i>	<i>Elected Member</i>
<i>Reola Mathieu</i>	<i>Public Representative</i>
<i>Ken Smith</i>	<i>Public Representative</i>
<i>Rhonda Stang</i>	<i>Public Representative</i>

2. Adoption of the 2024 Annual General Meeting Agenda

Motion: to adopt the agenda as circulated.

Moved: Lisa Pollock

Second: Tessa Creary

Vote: Carried

3. Approval of 2023 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Motion: to approve the March 25th, 2023, Annual General Meeting Minutes as circulated.

Moved: Carla Ofstie

Second: Barbara Lacourciere

Vote: Carried

4. Report from President – Stacie Beadle

- Council’s primary focus for the 2022-2023 year was governance, policy development, and strategic planning. Three council committees were struck as a result: Finance, Human Resources, and Governance, with annual workplans and Terms of Reference developed for each.
- Three new Public Representatives were appointed to Council in May 2023: Ken Smith, Reola Mathieu, and Rhonda Stang.

- Strategic planning facilitated by an external firm resulted in three new strategic priorities for the SDHA Council, creating a pathway of work for the next three years of the organization.
 - 1. Transition from a dual to single function organization
 - 2. Continued excellence in dental hygiene regulation.
 - 3. Operational sustainability.
- Council has approved an organizational name change to the *College of Dental Hygienists of Saskatchewan*. Appropriate steps to undergo name change in coming months.

5. Report from Legislative Committees

- It was stated there is no report from the Legislative Committees for the 2022-2023 year.

6. Election of Council

- Acknowledgements were given to Raymond Sass, Tessa Creary, and Lisa Pollock for their participation on the SDHA Council and completion of terms.
- Slate of nominees were electronically circulated in advance of the Annual General Meeting.
- The slate of nominees were elected by acclamation.

Motion: to elect Bobbi Jean Levorson and Dawn Van Dresar by acclamation to the SDHA Council.

Moved: Kellie Watson

Seconded: Kelly Fuchs

Vote: Carried

7. Bylaw Revisions

- It was noted that an amendment was made to appendix A of the administrative bylaws to reflect the SDHA's decision to discontinue the collection of CDHA fees on behalf of registrants.

8. Management Review of Financial Statements- Max Lingard (Lingard and Dreger, LLP)

- The financial statements were circulated in advance of the AGM, and are available in the Annual Report.
- It was noted that the 2022/2023 fiscal year is a review year, not an audit year.
- It was stated that the SDHA is in strong financial position, demonstrated by assets exceeding liabilities and reserves for specific purpose.
- It was noted that the financial statements were presented in accordance with general accounting standards for a non-profit organization.

9. New Business

- Council approved the SDHA to undergo name change to the *College of Dental Hygienists of Saskatchewan*. The organization's name and authority are embedded in the Dental Disciplines Act and therefore require legislative amendment. Along with several other regulatory bodies, a submission was made to the Ministry to amend the organization's name in legislation.
- SDHA has taken on a special project to fund the support the early development of a separate professional association. A Project Manager, Kellie Watson, was hired by the SDHA, and a steering committee of 11 volunteer dental hygienists were appointed to guide the initial decisions to create this organization.
- Name has been approved for the new entity, *The Dental Hygienists Alliance of Saskatchewan* (DHAS).
- Steering Committee is determining which services they will provide once independent and operational.
- Decisions still being made regarding how the DHAS will be governed, staffed, and structured, along with membership services and fees.
- New bachelors of Dental Hygiene program being launched through the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon this fall.
- New details of the Canadian Dental Care Plan are available, encourage registrants to visit the CDHA website for new information.

10. Adjournment

- No resolutions were brought forward.

Motion: to adjourn the March 20th, 2024 Annual General Meeting.

Moved: Carla Ofstie

Seconded: Kellie Watson

Vote: Carried

Annual General Meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.