College of Opticians of Ontario

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS
September 22, 2025

Board approves refresher program for applicants and opticians

The board approved a new refresher program for applicants and registrants seeking to meet entry-to-practice requirements, maintain currency, or return to active practice following a period of inactivity. The program was approved following a public consultation held over the summer, and is designed to ensure individuals joining or resuming the profession are up to date in their knowledge so they can practise safely and effectively.

Review and approval of five Governance Policies

The board reviews policies according to a schedule outlined in the Governance Manual. In keeping with that schedule, the Investment Policy (2-06) and the Board Code of Conduct for Directors and Committee Members, Schedule D, were approved with no changes. The following policies were approved with minor amendments:

- Delegation to the Registrar, CEO Policy (3-03)
- Board Monitoring System Policy (4-25)
- Board Strategic Agenda / Workplan Policy (4-21)

Review and approval of four monitoring reports

The board received monitoring reports from the Registrar, CEO on the following policies:

- Strategic Outcomes Policy (1-01) Monitoring Report
- Human Resource and Relations Policy (2-08) Monitoring Report
- Communications and Support to the Board Policy (2-11) Monitoring Report
- Technology and Cyber Security Policy (2-13) Monitoring Report

Financial Reports

The board approved the Auditor for 2025 and approved the financial variance report to June 30, 2025.