

## *REPORT*

**TO:** Council

**FROM:** Fazal Khan, Registrar

**DATE:** May 28, 2019

**SUBJECT:** 21.1 Registrar's Report

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### **Highlights:**

- Public Member appointments
- Registrant Relations
  - AOE/Optifair, OOA Symposium
- External Relations
- National Meetings
- Meeting with Bonlook Optical
- Meeting with Quebec Opticianry Regulators

### **Public Appointments:**

Administration had a call with the Public Secretariat office in April and to discuss the three public appointees had terms that were ending including:

Trudy Mauth—June 2019  
David Milne—September 2019  
Gord White—October 2019

Special attention was drawn to the important portfolios each of these council members hold and the fact that the College is at the minimum number of public members to remain constituted.

Unfortunately, we received word from the Public Secretariat office that Ms. Mauth will be ending her term this June.

### **Registrant Relations:**

Sunday March 31, 2019 Ontario Opticians Association (OOA) Trade Show and Education Seminar, Vaughn. The College attended the 1-day meeting with both a speaking spot and a

booth. Engagement was excellent during the membership address with two sessions run back to back at lunch with approximately 200 opticians attending the College update.

Sunday April 7, 2019 AOE Trade Show and Education Seminar, Brampton. The College had a speaking spot and booth. We addressed approximately 500 opticians. Membership dues continue to be a topic of interest.

The College presentation was given by the Registrar, President and Vice President and employed a new interactive tool which engaged the registrants in real time answering polls and survey questions. Other positive outcomes included recruiting possible applicants for appointed members, assessors and examiners.

### **External Relations:**

As part of the strategy to engage the public and create an awareness of the college, the staff team volunteered at the Special Olympics vision screening program on May 15, 2019. The day was well organized, and the staff made meaningful connections with the athletes and their families and coaches. There was a very positive reception to the college presence from the various opticians, optometrists and students who volunteered that day. The staff will continue to explore venues to engage the public.



### **National Meetings:**

Thursday April 25-Friday April 26, 2019 National Meetings in Calgary. The primary focus of the National Meetings from the NACOR perspective was adoption of the revised 4<sup>th</sup> Edition National Competencies. The competencies were adopted and are being sent to each of the provincial

regulators for approval. Other developments included the withdrawal of the Canadian Association of Opticianry Educators (CAOE) from the Opticians Council of Canada (OCC). For further details please see the NACOR report which will be included in the Council Package.

The President, Vice President and Registrar met with the President and Vice President of the Ontario Opticians Association while at the national meetings. The Association voiced interest in the Essilor/Clearly injunction matter, registrant dues and a desire to partner in public education initiatives. They informed the College that there are they are not currently pursuing any advocacy issues currently.

**Meeting with Bonlook Optical:**

The College met with the management team of Bonlook Optical as part of our ongoing stakeholder relations strategy. Bonlook reaffirmed their commitment to adhering to college regulations and standards and invited us to speak at their upcoming continuing education day in Montreal.

**Meeting with Quebec Opticianry Regulators:**

The Registrar will be meeting with Ordre des opticiens d'ordonnances du Québec on May 21, 2019 in Montreal. This will hopefully be the start of an ongoing relationship and dialogue between the two regulators. Agenda items for this initial meeting will touch on labor mobility of registrants between the two provinces.

Respectfully submitted by:  
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