

Minutes

Legacy Council Minutes

December 17, 2025

Virtual Meeting

Presiding Officer: Dr. Louise Kelly

Members present: Dr. Patricia Alderson
Dr. Kathleen Day Dunbar
Mr. John de Bruyn
Ms. Cathy Hecimovich
Ms. Catherine Knipe
Dr. Lena Levison
Dr. Clayton MacKay
Dr. Sean Marshall
Dr. Alana Parisi
Dr. Sami Qureshi
Dr. Jessica Retterath
Mr. Douglas Reynolds
Dr. Yashvir Varma
Dr. Wade Wright
Dr. Michael Zigler

Appointed Officer: Jan Robinson, Registrar and CEO

Staff attending: Ms. Kim Huson, Director, Communications & Engagement
Dr. Kim Lambert, Associate Registrar, Regulatory Programs
Ms. Lesley Rankin, Director, People & Resources
Ms. Lindsay Sproule, Director, Regulatory Program Performance
Ms. Shilo Tooze, Deputy Registrar
Ms. Alice Couto, Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.

2025-2026 Executive Committee Election

At this time the Election of the Executive Committee for 2025–2026 took place.

Ms. Shilo Tooze, Deputy Registrar, chaired the Election of the Executive Committee, and Dr. Kim Lambert, Associate Registrar, Regulatory Programs, and Ms. Lindsay Sproule, Director, Regulatory Programs Performance, acted as scrutineers.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario appoint Ms. Shilo Tooze, Deputy Registrar, as Chair, and Dr. Kim Lambert, Associate Registrar, Regulatory Programs and Lindsay Sproule, Director Regulatory Programs Performance, as scrutineers, for the 2025 – 2026 election of the Executive Committee.”

CARRIED

Ms. Shilo Tooze explained the election process and rules of election. The voting was held by electronic ballot. She then opened the floor for nominations.

Dr. Louise Kelly was nominated for the position of President. The chair called for nominations three times and, there being no further nominations, declared Dr. Louise Kelly elected by acclamation to the office of President.

Dr. Lena Levison was nominated for the position of 1st Vice President. The chair called for nominations three times and, there being no further nominations, declared Dr. Lena Levison elected to the office of 1st Vice President.

Dr. Wade Wright and Dr. Kathleen Day Dunbar were nominated for the position of 2nd Vice President. The chair called for nominations three times and hearing none, nominations were closed. Dr. Kathleen Day Dunbar and Dr. Wade Wright provided brief comments on the reasons for running for a position on the Executive Committee. After the vote, the Chair reported that Dr. Kathleen Day Dunbar was elected to office of the 2nd Vice President.

Dr. Jessica Retterath was declared elected as Past President.

Ms. Cathy Hecimovich was nominated for the position of Member at Large. The chair called for nominations three times and, there being no further nominations, declared Ms. Cathy Hecimovich elected by acclamation to the office of Member at Large.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario appoint Dr. Louise Kelly, President, Dr. Lena Levison, 1st Vice President, Dr. Kathleen Day Dunbar, 2nd Vice President, Dr. Jessica Retterath, Past President, and Ms. Cathy Hecimovich, Member at Large, to the Executive Committee for 2025-2026.”

CARRIED

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That all ballots for the election be destroyed.”

CARRIED

At 10:28 am, the Legacy Council took a break and the Executive Committee began a meeting to review the Committee Slates for 2025-2026.

The Executive Committee reviewed the committee slates for 2025-2026 and made some changes.

At 11:05 am, the Legacy Council resumed its meeting.

Confirmation of 2025-2026 Committee Slates

The 2025-2026 slate of nominees, assembled by the Executive Committee was called out by 1st Vice-President, Dr. Lena Levison

Executive Committee

Dr. Louise Kelly, President
Dr. Lena Levison, 1st Vice President
Dr. Kathleen Day Dunbar, 2nd Vice President
Dr. Jessica Retterath, Past President
Ms. Cathy Hecimovich, Member at Large

Registration Committee

Dr. Alana Parisi
Dr. Wade Wright
Dr. Michael Zigler
Dr. Chiemi Ogawa
Mr. John de Bruyn

Accreditation Committee

Ms. Cathy Hecimovich
Dr. Clayton MacKay
Dr. Jessica Retterath
Dr. Yashvir Varma
Dr. Meghan Waller

Complaints Committee

Mr. Douglas Reynolds
Dr. Sami Qureshi
Dr. Tyrrel de Langley
Dr. Ehab Hanna
Dr. Susan Warren
Dr. Roselyn Allen
Dr. Naomi Scromeda
Dr. Lisa Schwarz
Dr. Helen Waters
Dr. Anne Watson

Discipline Committee

Dr. Paula Menzies
Dr. Patricia Alderson
Dr. Kathleen Day Dunbar
Dr. Wade Wright
Dr. Clayton MacKay

Dr. Sean Marshall
Dr. Sami Qureshi
Dr. Jessica Retterath
Dr. Yashvir Varma
Dr. Michael Zigler
Dr. Alana Parisi
Dr. Lena Levison
Ms. Catherine Knipe
Ms. Cathy Hecimovich
Mr. Douglas Reynolds
Mr. John de Bruyn
Dr. Danielle Anderson
Dr. Scott Arnold
Dr. Shannah Kavonic
Dr. Kerry Lissemore
Dr. Arif Memon
Dr. Atul Pakhawala
Dr. Ravi Sankar
Dr. Sarah Thompson
Dr. Ines Walther
Dr. Steve Watts
Dr. Ellen Williamson

Pre-Hearing Chairs

Dr. Patricia Klymas
Dr. Patricia Lechten
Dr. Darren Stinson

Quality Assurance Committee

Dr. Patricia Alderson
Dr. Sean Marshall
Dr. Kristen Reynolds
Dr. Jessica Peatling

National Examining Board Representative

Dr. Kerry Lissemore

Registrar's Performance Review Panel

Dr. Louise Kelly
Dr. Lena Levison
Dr. Kathleen Day Dunbar
Dr. Jessica Retterath
Ms. Cathy Hecimovich

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the 2025-2026 Committee slates.”

CARRIED

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,
"That the meeting of Council be adjourned."

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 11:13 am.



Dr. Louise Kelly
President



Jan Robinson
Registrar and CEO



Alice Couto
Recording Secretary