

OMA Annual General Meeting

May 1, 2025

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Minutes**OMA Annual General Meeting****May 1, 2025**

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Ontario Medical Association was held in person at Double Tree by Hilton, 300 King Street, London, Ontario and virtually via Chime on May 1, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

1. Opening Remarks

Cathy Faulds, OMA board chair, introduced herself and thanked everyone for joining the meeting.

She informed participants that there were more than 50 members present which constituted quorum under the OMA's by-laws and formally began the meeting.

The chair thanked Margot Burnell, president-elect of the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) and Alison Forestell, CMA Senior Director of Enterprise Giving & Partnership and Executive Director of CMA Foundation, for attending the AGM. The chair stated their presence highlights the importance of collaboration and shared commitment to advance health advocacy in Canada.

The chair noted that there were other guests and presenters joining the meeting on site and virtually through chime. The meeting was taking place from District 2, London, and the hybrid format enabled any interested members to join and engage directly with local members and networks. Satellite sites were set up in District 8 - Ottawa and District 11 – Toronto, for members to join virtually.

She reported that this AGM holds special significance as the OMA recognizes Doctor's Day and thanked members for their dedication and commitment to the profession.

1.1 Land Acknowledgement

C. Faulds invited Elisheva Chernick to the stage to provide the Land Acknowledgement.

1.2 Virtual Meeting Housekeeping and Electronic Voting

The chair reviewed the housekeeping points, including an overview of the Chime app and the process of electronic voting. All AGM materials are posted on the OMA's website, and also available in the Chime app. To ensure that the meeting was accessible, the closed captioning feature had been turned on.

1.3 Approval of AGM Agenda

Motion #1

Moved by Cynthia Walsh, seconded by Alykhan Abdulla

“That the meeting agenda be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Members Meetings

2.1 Approval of the May 2, 2024, AGM Minutes

Motion #2

Moved by Andrew Park, seconded by Denise Carpenter

“That the minutes of the May 2, 2024, Annual General Meeting be approved.”

CARRIED

3. President’s Address – Dominik Nowak

C. Faulds introduced Dominik Nowak for his last formal address as president. She thanked him for his service and leadership.

Dominik Nowak provided an overview of the importance of advocacy in healthcare and the challenges and triumphs in the medical field. He stated he would like to close his term as president with an invitation towards optimism, meaning, realism and hope in the face of challenges. He thanked members for trusting him to serve the profession as the OMA president.

4. Finance and Audit Committee (FAC)

The chair welcomed David Collie, chair of the Finance and Audit Committee (FAC), to present the FAC report to members. He provided an update on the work of the FAC over the past year, before introducing Lily Chen, Chief Financial and Operating Officer to present the financials. She provided a high-level overview of the 2024 Audited Financial Statements and reported that it was a clean audit with no errors or omissions. The OMA is in a strong financial position.

The chair opened the floor for discussion and questions.

4.1 Acceptance of Audited Financial Statements

4.2 Appointment of Auditors

Motion # 3

Moved by David Collie, seconded by Sharon Bal

“That the members accept the 2024 Audited Financial Statements.”

CARRIED

Motion # 4

Moved by David Collie, seconded by Clover Hemans

“That the members appoint Deloitte LLP as the OMA’s auditor for the year ending December 31, 2025.”

CARRIED

5. Presidential Installation of Zainab Abdurrahman

C. Faulds welcomed Dominik Nowak and Zainab Abdurrahman to the stage. She then turned it over to Dominik Nowak to perform the presidential installation.

Dominik Nowak congratulated Zainab Abdurrahman and welcomed her as the new OMA president.

6. Address by the 2025-2026 OMA President

The chair congratulated and welcomed Zainab Abdurrahman to deliver her inaugural speech as OMA president.

Zainab Abdurrahman thanked Dominik Nowak for his leadership and dedication. She stated she will focus on well-being of physicians, the need to be at the forefront of digital innovation in healthcare and continue to advocate for a health care system that values and respects all physicians. She is honoured to be the next OMA president and representing the profession. She thanked members for their trust.

7. Meet the Incoming Board of Directors and Officers

C. Faulds invited the incoming president-elect, Rebecca Hicks to introduce herself to members followed by the three in-coming board directors, Khalid Azzam, Ramsey Hijazi and Brian Rotenberg.

8. Remarks from Board Chair and CEO

The chair thanked everyone for attending and reflected on where the profession stands and the road ahead, the key theme being unity in the profession. She reported that the profession is stronger and more effective when everyone works together with shared purposes. She focused on three core areas; ensuring a stable and sustainable future through negotiations, investing in leadership across the profession and grounding everything the OMA does in transparency, accountability and empathy.

The chair introduced Kimberly Moran, OMA CEO, to address the membership. She thanked doctors for working tirelessly to provide exceptional care and making a profound difference in the lives of patients. She stated that the OMA is committed to being the voice on the issues that matter most to the profession and reported on key items the OMA is working on to support members, which includes negotiations with the ministry of health, advocacy and the challenges doctors face every day.

9. Panel Discussion with Board and Executive Team

C. Faulds introduced the board and executive team panel and invited members to ask questions. Any questions that were not answered in the meeting, will be addressed following the AGM.

10. Evaluation and Closing Remarks

The chair provided closing remarks.

C. Faulds informed participants that a meeting evaluation is available within the Chime platform. The OMA relies on member feedback to improve future meetings and events and encouraged members to complete the survey.

C. Faulds thanked everyone for attending and for the hospitality that was received in London.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

C. Faulds, OMA Chair of the Board of Directors

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