**Annual General Meeting Minutes**

# June 8-9, 2019 | Westin Calgary Downtown – Mayfair Room, Calgary AB

### Present

Dr. Aditi Amin  
Dr. Michael Arget  
Dr. Elise Azzi  
Dr. Mowad Benguzzi  
Dr. Derek Chan (via telephone)  
Dr. Lindsay Cherpak  
Dr. Justin Cottrell  
Dr. Ali Damji  
Dr. Deepak Dinakaran  
Dr. Bryce Durafourt  
Dr. Bruce Fage  
Dr. Leo Fares  
Dr. Alana Fleet  
Dr. Jordan Gibson  
Dr. Esther Kim

Dr. Marissa LeBlanc

Dr. Anthea Lafreniere

Dr. Aarun Leekha

Dr. Jordyn Lerner

Dr. Nicholas Monfries

Dr. Bethany Ostrowerka

Dr. Kaylynn Purdy

Dr. Kristina Roche

Dr. Franco Rizzuti

Dr. Rae Shams

Dr. Seyara Shwetz

Dr. Sarah Silverberg

Dr. Emily Stewart

Dr. Mellissa Ward

The Annual General Meeting of the Resident Doctors of Canada (RDoC) was called to order by RDoC President Dr. Michael Arget. There were 29 members present in person, 1 member present via telephone, and 4 proxies received.

### Adoption of the Agenda

***Motion*** *to adopt the agenda for the June 9, 2018 AGM.*

*Moved by Dr. Ali Damji, seconded by Dr. Mellissa Ward.* ***Carried.***

**Approval of Minutes**

***Motion*** *to approve the June 10, 2017 AGM minutes.*

*Moved by Dr. Bethany Ostrowerka, seconded by Dr. Deepak Dinakaran.* ***Carried.***

### President’s Report | Dr. Michael Arget

Dr. Arget highlighted important accomplishments from the 2018-2019 year, including: the completion and ratification of the 2018-2023 Strategic Plan; the delivery of the Resiliency Curriculum to hundreds of residents across Canada with funding assistance from the CMA; the revision and implementation of the resident accreditation survey; continued efforts to work with the MCC to improve the learners’ experience with the MCCQE Part II; the inaugural Positive Work Environment Summit, and other documents and communications related to work environments; the redevelopment of the organization’s committee structure into a project team-based approach; continued monitoring of Competency-based Medical Education and advocacy for the learner experience of CBME; participation and leading of discussions with stakeholders about the revision of Entry Routes; continued engagement with FMRAC with regards to licensure; and the 2018 National Resident Survey Report.

### Audited Financial Statements as of March 31, 2019 | Dr. Bryce Durafourt

***Motion*** *that the audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2019 be approved.*

*Moved by Dr. Alana Fleet, seconded by Dr. Emily Stewart.* ***Carried.***

### Public Accountant Report | Dr. Bryce Durafourt

***Motion*** *that the Public Accountant Firm of Baker Tilly Ottawa LLP be appointed for the   
2019-2020 term at a remuneration of up to $13,000 plus applicable taxes.*

*Moved by Dr. Mellissa Ward, seconded by Dr. Seyara Shwetz.* ***Carried.***

### Outstanding Volunteers of the Year

RDoC Awards Committee co-chairs Drs. Elise Azzi and Marissa LeBlanc announced the recipients of this year’s Outstanding Volunteers of the Year Awards.

The co-chairs had the following to say about award recipient **Dr. Aditi Amin**:

“Over the last few years, Dr. Amin championed the health and wellness of residents nationally by spearheading the Positive Work Environment Task Force of the Wellness committee and being an active member of the RDoC board. As her nominator stated, ‘Dr. Amin exemplifies dedication, commitment and leadership in community service and education.’ Thank you, Aditi, for your service to our members and congratulations on your well-deserved outstanding volunteer award.”

The co-chairs had the following to say about award recipient **Dr. Brandon Tang**:

“Dr. Tang served as Co-Chair of RDoC’s national Practice committee. His passion for advocacy and vision for health systems became quickly evident in his extensive involvement with various key advocacy projects (ex. National licensure) and innovative initiatives (ex. Anthology novel) at RDoC this last year. As his nominator stated, ‘Brendan is truly proud of and inspired by the Practice Committee’s many accomplishments over the past year.’ We are proud to have had you on our team, Brandon. Thank you for your service and for your consistent leadership in advancing key national issues.”

The co-chairs had the following to say about award recipient **Dr. Michael Benusic**:

“Dr. Mike Benusic has served as the co-chair of the National Licensure Working Group of the Practice Committee this past year. His piece in the Globe and Mail on national licensure was heavily shared by many on social media and inspired numerous other organizations and stakeholders to join our movement and advocate for change. As his nominator noted, ‘Mike promoted the issue of national licensure with professionalism, a calm hand and a keen talent at engaging members of our profession. He is a pleasure to work with and I have learned an immense amount from him.’ Thank you for your service to our members and the profession, Mike!”

### Election of the slate of the Board of Directors by membership class

### Members from the seven regions elect the respective Board members representing their region. Presidents/designates elect the Board members representing their membership class.

### The following members were elected to their respective Regional Member Classes:

### Dr. Aarun Leekha, NL Dr. Seyara Shwetz, SK Dr. Michael MacGillivary, MP Dr. Derek Chan, AB Dr. Tehmina Ahmad, ON Dr. Bethany Ostrowerka, AB Dr. Michael Benusic, ON Dr. Sarah Silverberg, BC Dr. Justin Cottrell, ON Dr. Emily Stewart, BC Dr. Jordyn Lerner, MB

### The following members were elected to the Presidents Member Class:

Dr. Samantha Woodrow Mullet, PARNL President Dr. Mowad Benguzzi, RDoS President  
Dr. Leo Fares, MarDocs President Dr. Franco Rizzuti, PARA President  
Dr. Anthea Lafreniere, PARO President Dr. Nicholas Monfries, RDBC President  
Dr. Esther Kim, PARIM President

All RDoC Board members were welcomed to the 2018-2019 Board of Directors.

### Appreciation of Board members leaving the RDoC Board

***Motion*** *to move in camera for the 2019-2020 RDoC Executive Committee elections.*

*Moved by Dr. Bethany Ostrowerka, seconded by Dr. Aarun Leekha.* ***Carried.***

**In camera session**

***Motion*** *that the 2018 Annual General Meeting is adjourned.*

*Moved by Dr. Franco Rizzuti, seconded by Dr. Seyara Shwetz.* ***Carried.***

The following RDoC elections took place during the *in camera* session, with the following results.

**President**: Dr. Emily Stewart **Treasurer**: Dr. Jordyn Lerner  
**Past President**: Dr. Michael Arget **Board Chair**: Dr. Seyara Shwetz  
**Vice President**: Dr. Aarun Leekha **FARC Chair**: Dr. Franco Rizzuti

**Adjournment**