

**Canadian Academy of Endodontics  
58<sup>th</sup> Annual Mid-Winter Executive Meeting  
Fairmont Palliser  
Calgary, AB  
Friday February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

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In attendance Drs. Kevin Calzonetti, Rodrigo Cunha, Julianna Santos, David Campbell, Ian Watson and Ms. Gaelyn Vernon

In absentia: Dr. John Odai

**22-001                      COMMENCEMENT**

Having all Executive members present, Dr. Ian Watson called the meeting to order at 8:27am

**22-002                      AGENDA**

Prior to the meeting all Executive members received an e-version of the agenda which included all reports from the CAE Executive officers, CAE committees, CAE representatives and topics to be discussed under new business.

**22-003                      MINUTES OF THE 57<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The meeting minutes were reviewed as outlined previously. There were no further comments from the Executive.

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: THE ABOVE MINUTES WERE ACCEPTED AS STATED (CALZONETTI/SANTOS) AND THERE WAS NO BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.**

**22-004                      CAE EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS**

**PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**DR. DAVID CAMPBELL**

The 57<sup>th</sup> CAE AGM was held on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 with 88 members and 24 non-members attending the virtual meeting. A huge thanks to our Executive Secretary, Ms. Gaelyn Vernon, for hosting the meeting which ran smoothly without any technical interruptions. The international lecturers were incredibly accommodating to our schedule and the quality of their presentations was outstanding. Many thanks to Dr. Rodrigo Cunha for helping with the arrangement of the Scientific Program. We greatly appreciate the participation of our industry sponsors Dentsply Sirona Endo, J. Morita, Brasseler Canada and Clinical Research Dental. The meeting secured a profit of \$20,949.96.

While it was unfortunate to not meet in person for a second year in a row, this virtual meeting represented the reasonable compromise to the ongoing unpredictability of travel for members,

lecturers and industry alike during 2021. With the passing of the gavel to Dr. Kevin Calzonetti, we look forward to an in-person meeting in Calgary from September 21-24<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

I would like to finally thank the CAE Executive of Dr. Ian Watson, Dr. Shayne Lipton, Dr. Kevin Calzonetti, Dr. Rodrigo Cunha, Dr. John Odai and Ms. Gaelyn Vernon for their great work throughout the year. A warm welcome to Dr. Juliana Santos who joins the executive.

## **NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: NONE (WATSON/CUNHA)**

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**DR. KEVIN CALZONETTI**

My tenure as president started with a bang with the issue with National Dental Specialty Exam (NDSE) and the CDRAF, wanting to possibly remove the examination all together. We wrote on behalf of the membership the importance of the delivery of the NDSE and that we would support the CDRAF to achieve this goal. We were following up on Dave's original letter from July 2021. The executive had an emergency zoom meeting to discuss October 7 2021, and on October 12 2021 we drafted the below letter emphasizing the importance of the NDSE to the CDRAF as well as the president of all Dental Specialty, and all regulatory bodies.

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Canadian Dental Regulatory Authorities Federation  
6 Crescent Road  
Toronto, ON. M4W 1T1  
Attn: Board of Directors

Dear Dr. Gerrow and Board Members of the CDRAF,

Further to our letter dated July 20, 2021, the Canadian Academy of Endodontists wishes to again emphasize our strong support for a national entry level examination for dental specialists.

At our recent Annual General Meeting, the membership was in unanimous support of maintaining a National Dental Specialty Examination. The Canadian Academy of Endodontists has been at the forefront of ensuring the highest quality of care in the development of an Endodontic Standards of Practice document that has been adopted in part by other national endodontic organizations. We have taken seriously our role to promote the endodontic specialist's role through financial support of research, public advocacy and the standardization of evidence-based procedures thus fostering the highest quality of treatment, patient trust, and overall confidence in the dental profession.

To fulfill their role of protecting the public, the Dental Regulatory Associations must ensure that specialists meet the level of competence required for licensure. National competency examinations, for both general dentists and dental specialists, provide homogeneity and a level of equality in care across the country. Eliminating the specialty examination and relying on individual specialty programs with varying research priorities and industry relationships to

function as the sole guardians to public safety is, in the opinion of the CAE, an inexcusable error of judgement.

The members of the CAE have previously participated in the examination process and will continue to do so as necessary moving forward. We support the CDRAF's essential role in the regulation of dentistry across the nation and your impact on the quality of dental care and the protection of Canadians from coast to coast.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Kevin Calzonetti, BA, B Ed, DDS, D. Endo, FRCDC  
CAE President

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The membership was also informed of the above letter.

On October 25 2021, the CDRAF sent a survey to all program directors regarding NDSE pivotal research asked questions regarding their residents. If the program directors felt that their residents were competent to practice. The CAE set-up a Zoom meeting with the current presidents of all dental specialties, the RCDC and CDSA for November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021. 25 people were in attendance and strategies were discussed.

On November 23 2021 we received a letter requesting comments for the specialty recognition of Dental Anaesthesia. The executive drafted a letter supporting anaesthesia as a specialty in and of itself.

On November 25 2021 we received a letter from CDRAF asking for a joint proposal from RCDC and NDEB for specialty examination. Also address a letter for future requirements for assessment of Dental Specialist

On February 3 2022 we received a letter from the CAOMR Executive council alerting member of using the cone beam code 02934. Sunlife is looking for retroactive repayment from clinicians using this code also filling a complaint of professional misconduct.

In regards to the upcoming AGM this September, things are progressing very well for the meeting in Calgary. We are continuing to work on our social events. Our sponsors are in place.

DATE	START	END	FUNCTION	SPEAKER	TOPIC
Wednesday September 21, 2022					
	7:00am	5:00pm	Registration Open	-	-
4	8:00am	12:00pm	Hands-On Session	Dr. Trish Lukat	CBCT - Edge Endo Sponsorship
4	8:00am	12:00pm	Educator's Symposium	TBD	TBD
	10:00am	10:30am	Coffee Break	-	-
	12:00pm	1:00pm	George Hare Luncheon	-	-
4	1:00pm	5:00pm	George Hare Lecture - Speaker 1	Dr. George Bruder	TBD - DSE Sponsorship
	3:00pm	3:30pm	Coffee Break	-	-
	1:00pm	6:00pm	Exhibitor Set-Up	-	-
	6:00pm	10:00pm	Welcome Reception	DSE Sponsorship	-
Thursday September 22, 2022					
	7:00am	5:00pm	Registration Open	-	-
	7:00am	9:00am	Breakfast	-	-
	7:55am	8:00am	President's Welcome	Dr. Kevin Calzonetti	-
	8:00am	5:00pm	Exhibits Open	-	-
2	8:00am	10:00am	Speaker 2	Dr. Miguel Santos	TBD
	10:00am	10:30am	Coffee Break	-	-
2	10:30am	12:30pm	Speaker 3	Dr. Jorge Vera	Pain Mgmt
	12:30pm	1:30pm	CAE Happy Hour	Sonendo Sponsorship	-
2	1:30pm	3:30pm	Speaker 4	TDB	Sonendo Sponsorship
	3:30pm	4:00pm	Coffee Break	-	-

1	4:00pm	5:00pm	Student Research Presentations x 4		
	5:00pm	11:00pm	FREE EVENING	-	-
Friday September 23, 2022					
	7:00am	5:00pm	Registration Open	-	-
	8:00am	5:00pm	Exhibits Open	-	-
	7:00am	8:00am	Past President's Breakfast	-	-
	7:00am	9:00am	Breakfast	-	-
2	8:00am	10:00am	Speaker 5	Dr. Omar Abubaker	OMFS
	10:00am	10:30am	Coffee Break	-	-
1	10:30am	11:30am	Student Research Presentations x 4		
	11:30am	1:00pm	AGM Business Luncheon	-	-
2	1:00pm	3:00pm	Speaker 6	Mr. Steve Rohr	Motivational
	3:00pm	3:30pm	Coffee Break	-	-
2	3:30pm	5:30pm	Speaker 7	TBD	DSE Sponsorship
	6:00pm	7:00pm	President's Dinner Reception	-	DSE Sponsorship
	7:00pm	11:00pm	President's Dinner	-	-
Saturday September 24, 2022					
	7:00am	5:00pm	Registration Open	-	-
	8:00am	5:00pm	Exhibits Open	-	-
	7:00am	9:00am	Breakfast	-	-
2	8:00am	10:00am	Speaker 8	Dr. Meetu Kohli	Brasseler Sponsorship

2	10:00am	12:00pm	Speaker 9	Dr. Robert Corr	Biolase Sponsorship
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**26 Total CE for All**

**EXPENSES**

Proposed Food/Beverage Expenses (as per contract - \$35,000 x 5% GST and 18% service charge)	\$43,050.00
Proposed Room Rental Expense (as per contract - \$16,200 x taxes/fees 12%)	\$18,144.00
Proposed Speaker Expenses	\$10,500.00
Hotel Rooming Costs (for KC, IW, GV, Santos, Vera, Abubaker= 20 nights @ 319.00 plus 12% taxes/fees)	\$7,145.60
Proposed PSAV Costs	\$10,000.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$88,839.60</b>

**REVENUE**

75 member attendees @ 1095.00	\$82,125.00
Dentsply Sponsorship (Platinum)	\$35,000.00
Sonendo Sponsorship (Gold)	\$15,000.00
Edge Endo Sponsorship (Silver)	\$10,000.00
Exhibitors (6 companies not including the sponsors)	\$15,000.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$157,125.00</b>

Profit+/Loss-	+	\$68,285.40
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I would like to thank the fellow executive members in dealing with ongoing issues with respect to NDSE. We are looking forward to Calgary with the excitement of hanging out with our friends live & interactive.

I would also like to thank Ms. Gaelyn Vernon, CAE Executive Secretary and Planner and Dr Ian Watson CAE Executive Director for their direction and support.

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: WE WILL BE WORKING ON FILLING THE LAST COUPLE OF SPEAKER SPOTS WITH DENTSPLY AND SONENDO. DR. BETTINA BASRANI WILL BE ARRANGING THE EDUCATOR'S SYMPOSIUM. (CAMPBELL/SANTOS)**

**PRESIDENT-ELECT REPORT**

**DR. RODRIGO CUNHA**

The 2023 AGM is almost ready! I have contacted numerous speakers and I believe we will have the Agenda ready to promote for the AGM in Calgary. Dentsply will give us 2 speakers and Dr. Domenico Ricucci confirmed that he will be speaking for us. Dr. Ricucci has not given a dollar amount for his speaker fees but said that he will help us.

I spoke with Dr. Isabel Mello regarding the Educator's Symposium and she is going to put something together. Do we want an Educator's symposium? Is it Popular? I would love to hear from the executive members.

<b>Sept 13/23</b> <b>WED</b>	07:00 -17:00	Registration
	08:00 -18:00	Exhibits Set-Up
	08:00 -12:00	Educator's Symposium
	08:00 -12:00	Hands-On Session for Endodontists - TBD
	10:00 -10:30	Coffee Break
	12:00 -13:00	George Hare Memorial Luncheon - Buffet
	13:00 -15:00	George Hare Lecture - DR. JAMES GUTMANN "Topic TBD"
	15:00 -15:15	Coffee Break
	15:15 -17:15	George Hare Lecture - DR. JAMES GUTMANN "Topic TBD"
	18:00 -22:00	Welcome Reception
<b>Sept 14/23</b> <b>THURS</b>	07:00 -17:00	Registration
	07:00 -09:00	Breakfast Buffet
	08:00 -17:00	Exhibits Open
	08:00 -08:15	President's Welcome
	08:15 -10:15	Speaker 2 - DR. CHRISTINE BERTHOLD "Pretreatment Considerations"
	10:15 -10:30	Coffee Break
	10:30 -12:30	Speaker 3 - DR. ROB KAUFMANN "Endodontics in Canada: Where are we and where are we going?"
	12:30 -13:30	CAE AGM Business Luncheon - Buffet
	13:30 -15:30	Speaker 4 - DR. MARK PARHAR "Non-instrumentation Endodontics"

	15:30 -16:00	Coffee Break
	16:00 -18:00	Speaker 5 - DR. BETTINA BASRANI
<b>Sept 15/23 FRI</b>	07:00 -17:00	Registration
	07:00 -08:00	Past President's Breakfast - Plated
	07:00 -09:00	Breakfast Buffet
	08:00 -17:00	Exhibits Open
	08:00 -10:00	Speaker 6 - DR. CLIFF RUDDLE
	10:00 -10:15	Coffee Break
	10:15 -12:15	Speaker 7 - DR. JULIANA SANTOS
	12:15 -13:15	Happy Hour
	13:15 -15:15	Student Research Presentations (x6)
	15:15 -15:30	Coffee Break
	15:30 -17:30	Speaker 8 - DR. DOMENICO RICUCCI
	18:30 -19:30	President's Reception
	19:30 -23:30	President's Dinner
<b>Sept 16/23 SAT</b>	07:00 -12:00	Registration
	07:00 -09:00	Breakfast Buffet
	08:00 -12:00	Exhibits Open
	08:00 -16:00	Hands-On Session for General Dentists - DR. GEVIK MALKHASSIAN
	08:00 -10:00	Speaker 9 - DR. FRANK SELTZER "Bioceramics in Endodontics"
	10:00 -10:30	Coffee Break
	10:30 -12:30	Speaker 10 - DR. JOHN TSOURONAKIS "A Periodontist's Perspective of the Endodontic Surgery"

In addition, I have spent a significant amount of time calling members in arrears and asking for their membership support again. The webinars have been great and well attended, however, I feel that the members (especially the young ones) want more. I strongly believe that the newsletter (4 times a year) is paramount to increase communication. Increasing membership is of utmost importance at this time and a collective effort should be implemented.

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: THE SCHEDULE WILL BE AMENDED ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON TO ALLOW FOR A GOLF TOURNAMENT. WE WILL MOVE SPEAKERS ACCORDINGLY AND DR. CUNHA AND MS. VERNON WILL MEET TO FINALIZE SO SPEAKER CONTRACTS CAN BE SENT OUT. THE GENERAL DENTIST HANDS-ON SESSION WILL BE OFFERED AT \$1500-1600 PER ATTENDEE AND DR. MALKHASSIAN IS IN DISCUSSION WITH DR. CUNHA TO DETERMINE HIS HONORARIUM. IN REGARDS TO THE EDUCATOR'S SYMPOSIUM FOR 2023 WE CAN INCREASE THEIR HONORARIUM TO \$2000 FOR THEIR SPEAKER OF CHOICE, DR. SANTOS SUGGESTED WE ALSO LOOK AT HAVING AN ACADEMIC COMMITTEE IN PLACE WITH A CHAIR FOR A TWO-YEAR COMMITTEMENT TO PLAN THESE SESSION, DR. SANTOS AND MS. VERNON WILL MEET TO ARRANGE. (CALZONETTI/CAMPBELL)**



**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**DR. IAN WATSON**

GENERAL ACCOUNT	\$261,382.21
GENERAL ACCOUNT GIC	\$ 41,752.16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$303,134.37</b>

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>JANUARY-DECEMBER 2021</b>
AGM Refund	-1,275.00
AGM Registration	21,275.00
AGM Sponsorship	23,000.00
Membership Dues	111,275.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>154,275.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>JANUARY-DECEMBER 2021</b>
Accounting	924.00
Action Apparel	4,033.51
Administrative Expenses	44,375.00
AGM	10,000.00
AGM Speaker	6,500.00
Bank charges	112.50
Dues and Subscriptions	3,682.69
Fed Ex Canada	2,287.59
Gateway	3,059.18
Google	95.55
Hello Websites	4,205.57
Insurance	2,776.65
Postage/Print	1,796.12
Print Express	2,794.40
Quickbooks	944.50
Staples	731.95
Stripe Charges	3,393.99
Stripe Charges - AGM	2,460.77
Uncategorized Expense	0.00
Vimeo	101.00
Webinar Speaker	1,692.70
Zoom	374.08
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>96,341.75</b>
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>	<b>JANUARY-DECEMBER 2021</b>
Interest earned GIC	619.09
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>619.09</b>
<b>PROFIT</b>	<b>58,552.34</b>

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: NONE (CALZONETTI/SANTOS)**

## **CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS**

**DR. JULIANA SANTOS**

Nothing to report at this time

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**DR. IAN WATSON**

As I enter my seventh year as CAE Executive Director, I thought it would be an interesting review to examine the finances of our non-profit organization. The opening balance of our General CAE account, not including the Endowment Fund, on 01-01-2015 was \$210,437.00. The closing balance at year end 31-12-2015 was \$91,396.00.

I am pleased to report that our General account as of 31-12-2021 including GICs now stands at \$303,164.00. I think the credit for this improvement goes to the CAE membership, reflecting the loyal support of our in-person AGMs and virtual AGM which turned a nice profit.

I would also like to congratulate the executive members for their hard work, skillfully arranging friendly postponement contracts with the hotels and sponsors. Our penalties incurred were minimal and sustainable.

Past Presidents Dave Campbell and Shayne Lipton really shined as COVID tried to take us down. President Elect Rodrigo Cunha worked tirelessly to maintain morale among members by organizing a string of webinars from endodontic superstars from all over the world. President Kevin Calzonetti pitched in as host to many CE events and I thank you both.

Finally, a big shout out to our Executive Secretary and Event Planner Gaelyn – what would we be without her?

I am honoured to have had the opportunity to serve the CAE as Executive Director over the past seven years and look forward to spending time with my fellow friends and board members, new and old, as we continue to guide our beloved organization through these extraordinary times.

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: NONE (CALZONETTI/SANTOS)**

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

MS. GAELYN VERNON

- We currently have 216 paid members:

Active	159
Associate	3
Retired	15
Life	13
Academic	8
Student	18

- 54 members have not yet paid their dues resulting in \$18,500 outstanding plus \$2650.00 in reinstatement fees. All have been contacted via email (x 2) and by phone as well. Blue represents no dues since 2019, Green for 2020, Yellow for 2021. The 2019/2020 members will be removed from the roster for this year.

CANADIAN	ST
Aatray, Vinod	AS
Al-Hashimi, Nawfal	S
Alkayyali, Arij	AC
Al-Maaz, Mohamad Thabit	AC
Al Qassab, Minhal	AS
Azarpazhooh, Amir	T
Bajwa, Harkaran	AC
Best, Sheldon	AC
Blackman, Richard	AC
Chan, Rebecca	AC
DaSilva, Luis	AC
Delle Donne, Dominic	AC
Dwosh, Shaul	AC
Emon, Michael J.	AC
Fraser, John G.	R
Gauthier, Philippe	AC
Ghaname, Eduardo	AC
Hunter, Richard F.	AC
Ionescu, Andrei	AC
Jacobson, Stanley M.	AC

Jensen, James Robert	AC
Kano, Bassel	AC
Lai, Wendy Wing Man	AC
Liang, Garrick	AC
Lim, Helena	AC
Marashdeh, Muna	AC
Marder, Yosef (Joe)	AC
Mastronardi, Diana	AC
McLean, Rory	AS
Melo, Natalia	T
Mo, Anthony	AC
Moncarz, Andrew	AC
Moradi, Eman	AC
Morasse, Christian	AC
Phaneuf, Tyler	AC
Piperidou, Myrto	AC
Rampado, Michael	AC
Sakkal, Salam	T
Sha, Michael	AC
Sohmer, Gerald	AC
Szabo, Deborah	AC
Taherian, Ali	AC
Tiedemann, Michael	S
Usher, Grahame D.	AC
Verraich, Aminder	AC
Vora, Vira	AC
Wang, Zhejun	AC
Williams Beecher, Cathlin	S
<b>AMERICAN</b>	<b>ST</b>
Ansari, Ahjad	AC
Dabiri, Darya	AC
Hassan, Shirwa	S
Kulild, James	MC
Markovic, Sara	AC
Stein, Debra	AC
Wiener, Harvey	R

- 6 new member have joined the CAE since October 15, 2021, all students:  
 Bishop, Emily  
 Cho-Kee, Daniel  
 Mohebbi, Pooneh

Stein, Danielle  
Hernandez, Adrianna  
Rodillo, Michael

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: IT WAS DECIDED TO RETAIN MEMBERSHIP WE WILL REACTIVATE ALL DISABLED ACCOUNT SO EVERYONE HAS THE ABILITY TO PAY ONLINE. DRS. CUNHA AND CALZONETTI WILL BE REACHING OUT TO THE ABOVE LIST TO TELL THEM TO RENEW (WATSON/CALZONETTI)**

#### **STANDARDS OF PRACTICE REPORT**

**DR. RODRIGO CUNHA**

The Standard of Practice document is being translated into French. This document should be updated every 3 years. Next update is 2023. I suggest Dr. Juliana Santos as the new Chair of the Standard of Practice Committee.

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: DR. SANTOS SAID WE CAN LOOK AT GETTING A BI-LINGUAL MEMBER FROM QUEBEC TO TRANSLATE THE NEWEST VERSION FOR US. MS. VERNON WILL FORWARD IT TO DR. SANTOS AND SHE WILL TAKE CARE OF THIS.**

#### **ENDOWMENT FUND REPORT**

**DR. SIMONA PESUN**

Donations to the Fund were significantly less this year. This is most likely due to the lack of fundraising events that are usually held at the annual general meeting. Also, the students did not have any exposure to the members since there were no student presentations this year either.

The online application process has been a significant improvement for the research grant applicants, and they are finding it very user friendly.

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**Canadian Academy of Endodontics Endowment Funds**  
01-07-2020 to 30-06-  
2021

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**INCOME**

Donation  
11,202.20  
Refunds-Allowances  
-500.00

**Total Income**

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**\$10,702.20**

**EXPENSES**

Bank Charges  
0.00  
Scholarship Recipient  
-1223.66  
Stripe  
311.09

**Total Expenses**

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**\$-912.57**

**OTHER**

Interest earned - GIC  
579.47

**PROFIT /LOSS**

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**12,194.24**

Funds available for distribution: 12,194.24 x 80%  
= \$9755.39

Scholarship:	Carl Hawrish Memorial	\$1000.00
	Simran Sarao University of Alberta undergrad	

Research Grants:	Christine Teed – University of Toronto	\$4377.00
	Christina Sperou – University of Toronto	\$4377.00

Notes: There was no applicant for the John Philips Scholarship  
There was a third applicant for a research grant from U of T but was declined as he was not a member

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Bank Balance prior to distribution as of June 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	\$26,007.73
GIC 1:	\$31,184.74
GIC2:	\$15,515.19

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: NONE (CUNHA/SANTOS)**

**2024 AGM REPORT**

**DR. JOHN ODAI**

Some headway has been made with the meeting so far. The contract was obviously amended to reflect the change of date from 2020 to August 21-24, 2024, still at the Queen's Landing in Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON. I have called in a few favors with friends on the speaker circuit and they have shown interest/agreed to speak to our group. Contracts will be sent once details are finalized.

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: NONE (CAMPBELL/CALZONETTI)**

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT**

**DR. MANEESH SHARMA**

Dr. Maneesh Sharma suggested Dr. Blayne Thibodeau from Saskatchewan.

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: DR. THIBODEAU HAD PREVIOUSLY DENIED THE PROPOSAL TO JOIN THE EXECUTIVE. DR. CHRISTINE BERTHOLD'S NAME CAME UP AS A PROSPECT, DR. CUNHA WILL TALK TO HER IN AN UNOFFICIAL CAPACITY TO SEE IF SHE WOULD IN FACT BE INTERESTED, DR. ANNIE SHRESTHA'S NAME ALSO CAME UP.**

**COMMUNICATIONS REPORT**

**MS. GAELYN VERNON**

There has been some interest in starting up the CAE newsletter again. The only issue with this is we really do not have a lot of news, even bi-annually. We could look at doing something annually with case studies provided by the Executive or even the new grads but it would have to be published after our AGM as they usually present.

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: NEWSLETTER TO RECOMMENCE BUT WE WILL NEED MORE INPUT WITH ACTUAL NEWS, DR. CUNHA ALSO SUGGESTED WE PUT TOGETHER SOME "LUNCH AND LEARN" SESSIONS FOR NON-MEMBERS TO BRING THEM IN, DO A CASE STUDY OR TWO AND THEN TALK ABOUT MEMBERSHIP, THE EXECUTIVE AGREED AND DR. CUNHA AND CALZONETTI WILL SPEARHEAD AND START WITH ONTARIO AND QUEBEC (SANTOS/CAMPBELL)**

## **CDSA REPORT**

**DR. MANEESH SHARMA**

It's been a busy year at the CDSA. The COVID situation has continued to bring many challenges and issues for the CDSA to deal with. As the CAE's representative and current Vice-President of the CDSA, I've seen the merits of membership of the organization. It's been another year of Zoom meetings and deliberations.

The following are the issues that have been addressed since the Fall AGM.

1. The CDSA was very involved with bringing the issue of malpractice insurance coverage and office insurance through CDSPI for those practicing in provinces without excess malpractice insurance or malpractice insurances. In December the efforts of the CDSA and its stake holders were fruitful. CDSPI has provided fixes for the coming year to provide improved coverage in regards to malpractice insurance. It does appear that there are still outstanding issues in relation to coverage to be addressed in Alberta.
2. The Canadian Academy of Orthodontists (CAO) has withdrawn its membership in the CDSA for 2022. While declining membership they do acknowledge that there is value in the CDSA as the authoritative national voice of the collective dental specialties in Canada. They simply didn't want to pay fees for their representation and subsequent participation. We acknowledged our collective disappointment in their decision but left the door open should they wish to apply to rejoin in the future.
3. The CDSA has received a notice of application from the CDRAF in relation to an application for Specialty Recognition in Dental Anaesthesia. Comments in regards to the application are required by February 14th by the CDRAF. The CDSA has reached out to all the stake holders for comment to share with CDRAF.

As is apparent it has and continues to be busy times at the CDSA. Wishing everyone good health in these difficult times.

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: NONE (CUNHA/WATSON)**

## **IFEA REPORT**

**DR. BRIAN JAFINE**

Nothing to report at this time

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: IS DR. JAFINE STILL INTERESTED IN BEING THE REP? IF NOT DR. CUNHA SAID HE WOULD BE INTERESTED.**



The vision of The Royal College of Dentists of Canada (RCDC, the College) is to inspire excellence in dental specialties. Since the 1960s our members have supported and grown the professions, linking best practices with an examination process resulting in 2500 Fellows worldwide from all nine nationally recognized dental specialties and Dental Science. Out of that number, over 340 are Current or Life Fellows in Endodontics.

Since the last meeting of the CAE, RCDC has been focusing on continuing its work on its membership program, preparing for the 2022 administration of the Fellowship examination, as well as advocating for the continued administration of a National Assessment for the Certification of Dental Specialists in Canada. This report will provide a summary of the College's work.

### Fellowship Exam

The Fellowship examination is designed to evaluate a candidate's clinical decision-making and judgement skills and is now a requirement to receive the RCDC designation, and therefore membership into the College.

The current Chief Examiner in Endodontics is Dr. Craig Tervit from Burlington, ON. Members of the endodontics examination team come from academic and clinical backgrounds throughout the country.

Given the continued unpredictable nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, and as a result of the overwhelmingly successful 2021 administration, the Fellowship Examination will be administered virtually in May and June 2022. The Endodontics examination will be held on June 3-4, 2022.

The virtual exam will maintain the original case-based format of an in-person examination, but most candidates will be able to sit from a place they feel most comfortable and have access to a stable internet connection.

The 2022 Fellowship Examination will be delivered using two software applications: a remote proctoring application called ProctorU and a video conferencing service, Zoom. ProctorU will be used to verify candidate identification, secure the candidate's physical space and run diagnostics on their computer to ensure no programs are running.

In preparation for this administration, candidates have been provided several training opportunities. Resources have been published on the RCDC website that provide information on the physical space for their examination, technical requirements, and additional information on navigating the platforms.

Additionally, virtually training sessions are scheduled in the coming months so that candidates can familiarize themselves with ProctorU and Zoom well ahead of examination time.

Completion of one of these training sessions will be a requirement to sit the Fellowship Examination.

### Membership Program

#### In-person Continuing Education Sessions

The College will be holding in person continuing education sessions on Friday September 23, 2022 in Toronto, ON, This event will be held the day before the Convocation Ceremony and Annual Dinner Gala.

The College will be extending an invitation to the weekend's activities to its 2500 Fellows and Members from all over North America and internationally, representing all nine nationally recognized dental specialties and Dental Sciences. The College is now initiating the first step of the selection for speakers.

### Convocation and Annual Dinner Gala

The College will be holding its Convocation and Annual Dinner Gala on Saturday September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 in Toronto, ON. The College would be delighted to have representatives of the CAE attend this ceremony to welcome our newest Fellows and celebrate their achievements together. An official invitation will be sent out in the coming months.

### Promotion of Dental Specialists

One of the ongoing initiatives by the College is finding opportunities to promote the different dental specialties and our Fellow and Members within the general public at large. This is a fairly large undertaking but work has started this year and that the College will build on in the coming years. This includes:

- Increased social media presence: The College is now active on Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn, with the intention of significantly ramping up engagement on these platforms.
- Brand Ambassador Program: To set the College apart within the dental community, the Brand Ambassador program was launched in November 2021. The intent was to highlight nine different Fellows, one from each specialty, and showcase not only the professional achievements but what the RCDC means to them. Their profiles or videos were highlighted on the College's social media channels, and these Fellows were invited to share their spotlights on their own social media channels as well.

The CAE is encouraged to reach out to the College with any opportunities for partnership between the two organizations.

### Quarterly Newsletters

The College continues to publish a quarterly newsletter to its membership. This provides RCDC an opportunity to share with its membership important organizational and governance information, updates on the Fellowship Examination, showcase its members and highlight upcoming events. The CAE is invited to reach out the College at [office@rcdc.ca](mailto:office@rcdc.ca) with opportunities that they would like to share with this large audience.

### Webinars

The College continues to hold monthly webinars, focusing on a different topic each time. The next continuing education webinar, which discusses Emotional Intelligence – gaining a better understanding, being presented by Dr. Sally Safa, a Fellow in Periodontics, is scheduled for February 22, 2022. Recordings of all webinars are available to Fellows and Members on the RCC website.

### Mentorship Program

The College will be working on launching a mentorship program this year for Early Career Fellows. This will be facilitated by the new membership portal, which is being launched spring 2022.

### Advocacy

The College unequivocally believes in the need for a National Assessment for the Certification of Dental Specialists in Canada. This stance is borne from the College's constitutional objective to set qualifications and provide the recognition and designation of properly trained dental specialists.

Thanks in great part to the advocacy done by the National Dental Specialty Associations such as the CAE the College was asked to develop as proposal for the future assessment of dental specialists in Canada, in partnership with the National Dental Examination Board of Canada (NDEB). Work has commenced on the development of this proposal, which will include stakeholder involvement, notably from Dental Specialty Program Directors, Dental Regulatory Authorities, and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. The CAE will be provided with an official update on this topic from the College as soon as possible.

The College's relationship with the CAE is very valuable. RCDC welcomes input, ideas and thoughts from members of the CAE. As the national dental specialty association that represents a large number of its Fellows and Members, the College wants to ensure it is doing its utmost to foster a mutually beneficial connection with the CAE.

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: NONE (SANTOS/WATSON)**

### **WEBSITE REPORT**

Nothing to report at this time.

**MS. GAELYN VERNON**

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**NEW BUSINESS**

A) IFEA REGENT APPOINTMENT – any interest from Executive or members?

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: AS PER THE IFEA CONSTITUTION THE REGENT SHOULD BE A MEMBER OF THE CAE EXECUTIVE. NO ONE IS INTERESTED AT THAT TIME.**

B) AAE MTG – sending reps to Phoenix, AZ (April 27-30) or at their discretion due to CDN re-entry requirements?

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: MOST PEOPLE HAVE OPTED OUT OF GOING TO ARIZONE FOR THE AAE. DRS. CALZONETTI AND CAMPBELL WILL DECIDE BASED ON CANADIAN GOVERNMENT ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND LET MS. VERNON KNOW SO SHE CAN ADVISE THE AAE**

C) CDSA emails – keep forwarding to members as per Maneesh or too much “spamming”?

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: WE CAN ADD TO THE NEWSLETTERS AS NEEDED**

D) CBCT codes – most being used are being denied or audited by insurance companies. Is there anything more the CAE can do to get this approved?

**NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE: WE WILL FOLLOW-UP WITH DR. MANEESH SHARMA ABOUT THIS AND SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE.**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business to discuss, Dr. Ian Watson moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:40am (Calzonetti/Campbell).