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MINUTES CLASS AGM November 5, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President, Dr. Karen Edstrom. In attendance: Dr. Arie Benchetrit, Dr. Patricia Berbari, Dr. Jacques Charbonneau, Dr. Chantal Chiasson, Dr. Karen Edstrom, Dr. Madeline Gagnon, Dr. Suzanne Gagnon, Dr. Martie Gidon, Dr. Lisa Kellett, Dr. Ron Lemckert, Dr. Andree Mathieu-Serra, Dr. Rob Miller, Dr. Mathew Mosher, Dr. Michelle Ohayon, Dr. Marie Christine Roy, Dr. Laura Schiffer, Dr. Michael Weinberg.

Motion to approve the agenda by Dr. Martie Gidon, seconded by Dr. Laura Schiffer. All in favour. Carried.

Motion to approve minutes of AGM 2015 by Dr. Miller, seconded by Dr. Gidon. All in favour. Carried.

President's report – Dr. Karen Edstrom reported that CLASS participated in the formation of a Joint Society Position Statement on Medical Aesthetic Treatments and Procedures with the Canadian Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, The Canadian Dermatology Association, the Canadian Society for Dermatologic Surgery and the Canadian Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgical Facilities. This was circulated to all the provincial Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons. Dr. Berbari and Benchetrit reported that the College des Mediciens du Quebec recently adopted a 52 page policy on this. It was felt that this should be drawn to the attention of other Colleges as an initiative to adopt similar policies. Dr. Berbari will forward a copy of the document to the executive.

President's report moved accepted by Dr. Miller, seconded by Dr. Gidon. All in favour. Carried.

Vice President's Report – The 2017 meeting is confirmed for November 11th in Toronto at the Shangri-La Hotel. Dr. Ron Lemckert reported that Dr. Timothy Greco (Otolaryngologist, Philadelphia) is confirmed as a guest speaker for next year. It was suggested that we have another keynote speaker for laser procedures and vaginal rejuvenation and Dr. Lemckert will contact Dr. Jason Posner to see he can accept the invitation.

The executive is continuing the initiative to increase our membership, particularly encouraging residents to attend. He suggested the members try encourage at least one resident to attend the meeting, and reach out to colleagues in other provinces. All the training directors of the specialties are contacted as well to advise them of the free registration for Residents and the Prize for the Resident Paper. We did have one resident submit a paper for this year, but unfortunately was unable to attend. The executive also discussed organizing a 2 hour Resident Boot Camp the Friday evening before the CLASS symposium.

Interim small CLASS meetings across the country, could be held, piggy-backing on industry sponsored workshops, with local CLASS members personally inviting local colleagues to attend. We also discussed initiating a discounted fee for first time attendees to a CLASS meeting.

As CLASS is a National Society it is important to have members across Canada and represented appropriately on the Executive Board. Dr. Patricia Berbari (plastic surgeon, Gatineau) expressed interest in filling the open position on the board.

Reported moved accepted by Dr. Miller, seconded by Dr. Gidon.

Secretary's Report – Dr. Weinberg reported receiving the following applications for new membership These names were circulated to the membership in advance of the AGM and no objections were received.

Dr. Julia Carroll, Dermatologist
Toronto, ON

Sponsors: Dr. Karen Edstrom
Dr. Ron Lemckert

Dr. Melinda Gooderham, Dermatologist
Peterborough, ON

Sponsors: Dr. Martie Gidon
Dr. Sheetal Sapra

Dr. Roni Munk, Dermatologist
Montreal, QC

Sponsors: Dr. Fred Weksberg
Dr. Robin Billick

Dr. Gordon Searles, Dermatologist
Edmonton, AB

Sponsors: Dr. M. Sapijaszko
Dr. Robert Miller

Motion to accept applications by Dr. Schiffer, seconded by Dr. Benchetrit. All in Favour. Carried.

The following application was received late and the name not circulated to the membership.

Dr. Amro El-Sawaf, Dermatologist
Waterloo, ON

Sponsors: Dr. Rob Miller
Dr. Barry Lycka

Motion to allow application to move forward for voting by Dr. Miller seconded by Dr. Mosher.
All in favour. Carried.

Motion to accept the membership application for Dr. El-Sawaf by Dr. Mosher, seconded by Dr. Miller.
All in favour. Carried.

An application for Associate membership (foreign, non-voting membership) was received from **Dr. Raed Farhat**, Plastic surgeon, Sharjah, UAE. Dr. Weinberg will verify his credentials before this is approved by the executive board.

Treasurer's Report - Dr. Kellett reviewed the financial report Financial Report (in package) which showed our net assets at end of the year \$112,382.00 with an excess of income over expenses of \$4055.00.

To October 31 st 2016, the current bank balance is:	\$149,000.00
Projected additional meeting income	7,300.00
Projected meeting expenses to Dec. 31/16	(34,000.00)
Projected office expense to Dec. 31/16	(6,000.00)
Projected bank balance Dec. 31, 2016	\$116,300.00

This year's meeting projected profit is \$8000.00. CLASS is still within the profit guidelines for a not-for-profit organization.

Motion to accept treasurer's report by Dr. Benchetrit, seconded by Dr. Gidon. All in favour. Carried.

Motion to reappoint accountant Cameron Keller by Dr. Miller, seconded by Dr. Benchetrit. All in favour. Carried.

Dr. Edstrom presented the following proposed slate for the Executive Board 2016/2017

President:	Dr. Ron Lemckert
Vice-President:	Dr. Michael Weinberg
Treasurer:	Dr. Karen Edstrom
Communications:	Dr. Claudio Delorenzi
Secretary	Dr. Patricia Berbari

Motion to approve the executive slate for 2016/2017 by Dr. Gidon, seconded by Dr. Benchetrit. All in favour. Carried.

New Business: Concurrent morning program for office staff.

It was suggested that we have a separate concurrent morning program for staff on office management and marketing. It may be possible to have a speaker tailor two talks specific to physicians and office staff. A nominal registration fee to cover F&B would be appropriate. There are dedicated marketing speakers from industry that we could approach. Including the office staff at the meeting would increase the meeting attendance and be beneficial for the exhibitor traffic flow.

There was no further business to discuss and the meeting was moved adjourned by Dr. Benchetrit, seconded by Dr. Roy.