

## 2021 IACLE Annual General Meeting

**Location:** virtual via Zoom

**Date:** 13 May 2021

**Time:** 12 noon BST

### Board Present:

President: Shehzad Naroo  
Vice President: Philip Morgan  
Treasurer: ETTY BITTON  
EAME President: Judith Morris

### Staff Present:

Chief Executive Officer: Bonnie Boshart  
Executive Manager of Global Education: Lakshmi Shinde  
Executive Manager of Educational Programs: Niles Thite  
Executive Manager of Educational Development: Craig Woods  
Executive Manager of Global Operations: Siobhan Allen  
Americas Regional Coordinator: Guillermo Carrillo  
Asia Pacific Regional Coordinator: Cheni Lee  
Korea National Coordinator: Kyounghee Park  
Regional Operations Administrator: Kavitha Jayanna  
Communications Specialist: Amelia Morgan

### Other Attendees:

Desmond Fonn	Henri Eek	Raquel Gil Cazorla
Aloe Gupta	James Wolffsohn	Renée Reeder
Ankit Varshney	Joseph Afonne	Wei Xu
Ankur Banik	Martín Giraldo	Wong Hie Hua
Byki Huntjens	Mera Haddad	Yazan Gammoh
Atanu Samanta	Montse Auge	Pauline Cho
Fabrizio Zeri	Muhammad Irfan	Renzo Colombo
Fakhruddin Barodawala	Phani Krishna Athreya	

**Chair:** Shehzad Naroo

**Minutes recorded by:** Siobhan Allen

### 1. Welcome and Introduction

Shehzad Naroo opened the meeting at 12:06 noon BST and welcomed everyone. Shehzad described what will be covered in the meeting, explained some technical procedures (such as voting and asking questions), showed who IACLE's current sponsors are and their levels of sponsorship, and introduced the IACLE Board of Directors and staff (asking all to introduce themselves).

## 2. Apologies

Deborah Sweeney  
Wim Borst  
Patrick Simard  
Christine Astin

Carol Lakkis  
Mutahir Shah  
Deepa Chandrasekaran  
Dimple Nagzarkar

Lavanya Kalikivayi  
Mumtaz Qazi  
Usman Husin

## 3. Approval of minutes from the 2019 AGM

The 2019 AGM minutes were reviewed by those in attendance.

Motion: That the 2019 minutes be accepted as accurate

**Moved:** Judith Morris

**Seconded:** Etty Bitton

A majority of members voted in favour of the motion, no one voted against and there were a few abstentions.

## 4. Approval of IACLE's new By-laws

The new By-laws were circulated to the membership and Board prior to the AGM.

**Motion:** That the 2021 IACLE By-laws be passed

**Moved:** Philip Morgan

**Seconded:** Etty Bitton

A majority of members voted in favour of the motion, no one voted against and there were a few abstentions.

## 5. Approval of Financial Statements

IACLE Treasurer Etty Bitton presented the financial position of IACLE for 2019 and 2020.



<b>IACLE Financial Position at 31 December 2019 &amp; 2020 (USD)</b>		
	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
Revenue from Ordinary Activities (grants, project income, membership fees, interest earned)	\$ 423,757	\$ 442,273
Other Income/Expenses (unrealized exchange loss)	-\$ 76	-\$ 17,274
Project and Operating Expenses	-\$ 418,791	-\$ 476,326
<b>NET PROFIT</b>	<b>\$ 4,890</b>	<b>-\$ 51,327</b>

There being no questions, it was moved that the accounts be accepted as accurate.

**Moved:** Philip Morgan

**Second:** Nilesh Thite

A majority of members voted in favour of the motion, no one voted against and there were a few abstentions.

## **6. IACLE Global Update**

Craig Woods provided an update on global membership numbers, programs, resources and IACLETOP.

## **7. Virtual Activities Update**

Nilesh Thite provided an update on IACLE webinars and virtual events.

## **8. Regional Update**

Lakshmi Shinde provided an update on IACLE activities by region.

## **9. Communications & Awards**

Shehzad Naroo provided an update on IACLE's communications and IACLE Awards.

## **10. 2021 Election & IACLE Board**

Shehzad Naroo explained the upcoming 2021 election and the new IACLE Board structure, including the Director roles. The new board structure has been ratified in the new By-laws. The By-laws were updated due to changes in governance in the legislature in Ontario, Canada, where IACLE is registered as a not-for-profit organization. Shehzad explained that the election will be held for the new Board of Directors and will close at the end of this month. The members of IACLE will be emailed tomorrow (Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021) to give them information about the

election. The election is for 6 board directors and members can vote for 6 of the 8 people standing for election to the Board of Directors. The newly elected board of directors will then select from within that group of 6 who will be the Officers of the Association - President, Vice-President and Treasurer/Secretary. Under the new structure, the Regional Presidents are no longer elected and instead Regional Directors will be appointed by the new Board of Directors.

Shehzad also informed the members that although he is standing for election to the new board, he is not planning to continue as President. He has been President from 2011 to 2021 (previously Vice-President from 2007-2011).

#### **11. End of presentation and thank you to our sponsors by Shehzad Naroo**

#### **12. Open Discussion**

- Desmond Fonn noted he could not see the changes tracked on the updated By-laws.
  - Bonnie explained the overall changes were minor and were largely concerning the new Board structure, and offered to provide him with a version with changes tracked.
- Desmond Fonn asked if we can track if there have been any changes to correlations between the number of wearers in the world and the number of IACLE members. He asked if there had been any recent attempts to determine, at the institutional level, whether there has been any change in the number of students wearing lenses or the number of people fitted in the clinics? And does it translate into dollars for industry? He noted this is very difficult to do, going off past experience with trying to work out these figures.
  - Philip Morgan replied, explaining a calculation was created for our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary which gave an insight into our impact over the past forty years; total number of members, how many students they had educated (estimated at 170K students) and from that we estimated they have fitted 250 million contact lens wearers.
- Desmond Fonn asked if members pay dues. He explained he could not decipher this from the By-laws.
  - This query was answered by Bonnie, and it was explained that members do indeed pay membership fees.
- Philip Morgan thanked Shehzad Naroo for his leadership of IACLE over the ten years of his Presidency.

The meeting ran for one hour and ten minutes and closed at 13:16 pm BST