

## MINUTES

### 1. Report of the Chair - Dr James Taylor (Chair)

#### a. Acknowledgements

-the Chair acknowledged the presence of our various national representatives, as well as our distinguished speakers. The Chair then thanked the speakers for participating in our ABM, and announced that their presentations would be available following the meeting on the FDI CDO/DPH Section webpage under the **Past Meetings** tab.

#### b. Section activities

-close collaboration continues with FDI Public Health Committee (PHC), with the Chair sitting as a statutory Member of the PHC. Section Members around the world also continued to collaborate with the WHO CDO in the implementation of the *WHO Global Strategy and Action Plan on Oral Health 2023–2030*, and in preparation for the 4th UN High-Level Meeting on NCDs. See the **Annual Report from the Chair 2025** within the **Reports** tab on the Section webpage for details.

#### c. PHC Report

-see the **FDI PHC Activities - 2025 Report** within the **Past Meetings** tab on the Section webpage for details.

#### d. 2025 Joint PHC/CDO Forum program

-Drs Jason Wong (England), Shuguo Zheng (China) and Heming Olsen-Bergem (Norway) will be speaking on the theme of **Sugar Reduction Strategies: From Policy to Cavity Free**.

### 2. Report of the Secretary - Dr H. Mitchell Lockhart (Secretary)

#### a. Section Master Schedule for FDI 2025 WDC

-see the **CDO Master Schedule 2025** within the **Past Meetings** tab on the Section webpage for details.

#### b. FDI 2026 WDC

-will be held in Prague, Czechia (04-07September). See preliminary webpage:  
<https://2026.world-dental-congress.org/>

### 3. ADA Health Policy Institute - *HPI Collaboration Opportunities for CDOs/MOHs*

-an in-person presentation was given by Dr Marko Vujicic; see **ADA-HPI presentation** within the **Past Meetings** tab of the Section webpage.

### 4. ACFF Global - *ACFF Oral Health Policy Labs: 2025 National-Level Oral Health Policy Lab in South Africa*

-a pre-recorded presentation was given by Dr Nigel Pitts; see **ACFF presentation** within the **Past Meetings** tab of the Section webpage.

### 5. FDI HQ - *FDI advocacy update*

-an in-person presentation was given by Dr Charanjit Jagait; see **FDI presentation** within the **Past Meetings** tab of the Section webpage.

### 6. 2025 Section election

-the 2025 Section Election was conducted in accordance with our FDI Section Bylaws.

-the following Section Executive Slate was elected unanimously:

POSITION	NAME	COUNTRY
Chair	James TAYLOR (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Canada
Secretary	CHNG Chai Kiat (1 <sup>st</sup> term)	Singapore
Member	Codou Badiane MANÉ (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Senegal
Member	Riana CLARKE (1 <sup>st</sup> term)	New Zealand
Member	Dympna KAVANAGH (1 <sup>st</sup> term)	Ireland

-The Chair congratulated the new and returning Executive Board Members, and thanked Dr Lockhart for his two terms of service as Section Secretary. He then reminded Members that election results must still be approved by FDI Council.

## 7. New business

### a. CDO engagement

-the Chair reminded CDOs that to better enable the accomplishment of one's duties as a national CDO, one would be wise to establish and maintain a communication/collaboration portal with each of today's speakers, and with the WHO CDO.

### b. Next meeting

-our Section looks forward to seeing all of our Members in person for our 2026 Annual Business Meeting, to be held during the 2026 FDI WDC in Prague, Czechia, 04-07 September. Watch for Invitation Letters within the **FDI World Dental Congress** tab of our Section website, by February 2026, in support of CDO travel request processes within their respective governments.



Dr James Taylor (Canada)  
Section Chair