

## **Key Activities**

There has been continued focus on working with NRCan, membership recruitment activities, revenue generating opportunities with stakeholders, Retrofit Refresh training and CHBA and CAMNET IDP project.

## Committee/Working Group Reports

## **Technical Committee**

- The technical committee is reviewing the HOT2000 feedback from members and has created working groups to discuss at the September meeting
- The Windows Roundtable working group is meeting in September to develop the agenda for the October meeting.

## **Education Committee**

- The education committee took a break for the summer.
- Provided a webinar on Radon presented by CARST. CARST is considering offering radon training to EAs at a special price and/or revenue sharing with CACEA.
- Provided a Supplier Speaker Series with AeroBarrier.
- Provided the Ontario Building code webinar for municipalities and other interested participants including CACEA members.
- Am exploring opportunities to coordinate CACEA's annual conference around CHBA related events to maximize attendance.
- CAMNET will provide training on NRCan's carbon tool for CACEA members in the fall.

#### Mentoring Program Committee

• The program is currently underway and will finish in September.

# Membership and Member Services

- The CEC program was shared with members. Several members have started tracking their CEC values. Several members and stakeholders submitted requests for CEC values. Future CACEA events will include the CEC values.
- Exploring opportunity for CACEA members to get training on the BEAM tool with potential for revenue sharing and an affinity discount for members.
- Met with ThermoDrain to discuss possible membership as well as opportunities to education members on drain water recovery technology.
- The member recruitment campaign was launched.
- Provided an "info-mercial" about CACEA for a CIET class.
- Explored potential trainee membership opportunities with training stakeholders.

## Stakeholder Relations

## **PRESENTATIONS**

- Will do a presentation on working with an EA to CanREA in the near future.
- Will do a presentation for FGIA in October.
- Have been asked to consider a presentation for Efficiency Canada's DiscoverEE weekly sessions.



## **ADVOCACY**

## NRCan - Greener Homes

- CACEA is part of the bi-weekly SO meetings with the Greener Homes team.
- Meet bi-weekly with Ruth Talbot and their communication team lead as a touch point.
- Shared information from the SO meeting with members related to <u>converted garages and climate zones</u>. This will be a regular activity as the SOs meeting will include a "speaker series" on specific topics. Currently these presentations are made to the SO community and CACEA, although the plan is to share the information with EAs in the future (a specific request made by CACEA to Ruth Talbot).
- Shared with members and posted in the <u>member HUB Bulletin 92</u> which was focused on HPs and CGHG/L

#### BC Engagement

Met with Maryam Rezaei, Senior Policy Advisor, BC Government to discuss their approach to point
of sale home labelling. They are looking at using virtual technology for this process. It will not be
seen as an EnerGuide label as they recognize the importance of in-person assessment and
requirement. CACEA requested additional consultation and be engaged in this discussion.
Additional follow up will be required.

#### PROJECTS AND COLLABORATION

## Retrofit Refresh Training Working Group

- Submitted a report to NRCan and BC Hydro for the project.
- Have 90% of the presentation content completed (slides and speaking notes formatted as a draft) and 60% of the Handbook content collected. Once the content
- The goal is to offer the program in late November. Program marketing would launch in early September. CACEA will ask NRCan to assist in marketing the program.
- Working with NRCan to ensure the training reinforces modelling and service issues that are of concern for them.

## NRCan - "Towards Net Zero Homes and Communities"

- Participated in 3 webinars providing an overview of the call for proposals for each of the three streams to explore potential projects directly and indirectly involving CACEA.
- Met with EnerQuality, CHBA, Volta Research and the City of Toronto; and reached out to Lightspark and Simptek, to explore potential synergies and interest to work together. Further discussions will take place

## Office of Energy Efficiency (OEE)

- Abla Hanna, Director General of the Office of Energy Efficiency (OEE) at Natural Resources Canada. sent CACEA information about the Canada Green Building Strategy
- Shared this with the members.

## Office of the Minister of Natural Resources

• Invited to meet with the new senior policy advisor Raphael Beauchamp for the Minister's office as an introduction.

## Owens Corning Higher Performance Project

- This project will continue in 2022 and providing two (ON and West) IDP sessions.
- Provide edits to the 2021 case study and will share it with members once the final version has been made available. OC will also host a webinar on this and CACEA will have a presence in both the case study and webinar.



## **CHBA CAMNET IDP Training**

- CACEA has been engaged by CAMNET to produce a 90 minute presentation on IDP for the end of August that will also be used to support CHBA's NRCan renovation and new homes projects.
- It is likely that CACEA will receive funding to develop IDP boot camp content for cross Country LEEP sessions that will also support the training program that CACEA is piloting.

#### CRESNET

• CRESNET has provided edits to the joint letter focused on code compliance for review by the board.

#### DISCUSSIONS AND OUTREACH

#### CHBA

- We continue to explore opportunities where CACEA can assist with the LEEP workshops and tap into some of the CHBA funding to assist their deliverables.
- CACEA prepared slides for CHBA to present to the HBA executives about IDP to help them garner support of the local HBAs to host LEEP sessions in their region.

## Efficiency Canada

- Maintain contact with various members of Efficiency Canada sharing articles of interest, acknowledging media presence and supporting their initiatives such as the recent Career HUB.
- Attended a networking event they hosted in Toronto.
- Added CACEA's logo to Efficiency Canada's Efficiency Day which will take place October 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Have been asked to consider a presentation for future DiscoverEE presentation.

## Owens Corning

• Meet on a regular basis to ensure a strong and valued relationship.

## Summerhill

• Continue to discuss potential synergies.

## VEAP

- Have been asked to participate in a second year of their EA training program.
- Discussions on CACEA contributions are ongoing.

#### Ontario Real Estate Association)

- Met with CEO Tim Hudak and Matt Thornton, Director, Government Relations as an introductory meeting.
- Offered to assist with training of their members on efficiency.
- Agreed to keep in touch to share advocacy positions and when aligned consider collaboration.

## BC Real Estate Association

- Met with CEO Trevor Coot to introduce and explore opportunities for collaboration.
- Offered to assist with training as they are doing a lot of education sessions around efficiency for their members
- E-introduced me to their policy and education people for continued engagement. I sent emails but to date have not had a reply. Additional follow up required in the fall.

## **FortisBC**

- Met with several of the FortisBC team for a touch point related to the IDP training as well as shre general updates.
- Want to explore continued training in IDP.
- Requested a letter of support for their budget with a focus on supporting industry training.

## SAAF

- Met with Vikram Balasubramanian who has developed a referral platform for homeowners and wants to investigate how to engage CACEA and its members to participate.
- Currently the work is taking place in Alberta and BC.
- Further discussion is required.

## **BCIT**

- Met with Melissa Hamer to explore potential synergies and revenue opportunities for CACEA for micro-credential initiatives.
- Further discussion is required.

## CSA

- Met with Gary Hamer and Andy Oding to explore opportunities related to IDP and CSA. Further discussion is required.
- Invited to a different CSA meeting by Reuben Fernandes to discuss developing SPE-14: A guide to designing the perfect home using the Integrated Design Process (IDP) Framework..

#### <u>NAIMA</u>

• NAIMA is updating their Insulation Manual that will include content specific to IDP and EAs which CACEA has been asked to provide.

## Focus for the Next Month

- Explore ways to increase membership at all levels.
- Draft the 2022-2023 budget
- Participate in an NRCan consultation working group on EA Qualifications.
- Confirm a 2023 CACEA conference location and date and begin planning.
- Coordinate regional Meet and Greet opportunities for members and non-members.
- Continue to promote the CEC program.
- Continue to promote the member recruitment campaign.
- Start marketing the Retrofit Refresh training program and finalize content of the slides and handbook.
- Define the Master Energy Advisor (MEA) credential.
- Submit funding proposals as requested.
- Continue to explore support with potential funding with NRCan Grant recipients.
- Follow up with stakeholders and other AHJs after the OBC presentation for further engagement.
- Continue to have conversations with stakeholders across Canada and seek opportunities for synergies and projects.
- Additional tasks as assigned by the board.