

CAHPI-Atlantic , Meeting, PEI, 22/06/09

Meeting called to order at 10:08 A.M.

Roll call (Attendee list)

Ray Chevarie	Shawn Green	Blaine Swan	Chuck Crocker	Lawrence Englehart
Ron Duchesne	Cyril Desjardins	Roger Green	Suzanne Clark	Pierre Albert
Roger Balderson	Ivan Baker	Russell Cook	Ryan Ervanowitz	Mike Derrah
Scott Davis	A. Dufresne	Gary Driscoll	Dan Ferguson	Stephen Garland
Terry Gordon	Michael Guihan	P. Gillingham?	Stephen Hall	Brian Hutchinson
Stephen Hynes	Brian Kohler	Norm Leblanc	Sam Lorefice	Rod MacKinnon
Steven Manual	R. MacArthur	Scott MacLean	Ed Poirier?	Darren Smith
Blaise Sampson	Allan Thompson	Douglas Thorne		

- Introduction and welcome of new members: Suzanne Clark, Ryan Ervanotvitz, Roger Green.
- previous minutes accepted- first: Michael Guihan- second: -Brian Hutchinson

Reports:

President- Blaine Swan

- Audited Defect course, Mar 27-29, Reviewed exams, Course well laid out. (Huge thank you to Norm and Ed)
- Met with Bill Sutherland (President CAHPI National)in Ottawa on matters of National concern, CREA conference, CMHC, New Construction Inspection protocol, OAHl discussion.
- Met (Blaine and Brian H) with lawyer about incorporation. Process underway.
- Letter to NSAR and NSRC re: Realtor referrals manipulation. Offer to provide education to realtors regarding home inspection.
- Letter received from Service Nova Scotia welcoming our overture re: licensing-have promised to do research; some of which is apparently underway.
- Letter to Realtors to go to other Associations outside of Nova Scotia, to be initiated by provincial directors.
- Remaining very active in National Affairs.

Brian Hutchinson- VP/Public Relations/Finance

- Reported on Home Show experience-encouraged shows in other provinces.
- Financial documents are available for review.

VP NL - Mike Guihan

- Currently 10 members in NL
- Spoke passionately about the need for activity by all members to lobby government and public for licensing.
- President to attend NL CAHPI AGM in August, Meet with NL government and RE Association Re: Licensing and issues.

Treasurer-Sam Lorefice

- Conference # s are in : net profit \$23,305. Considering all we were up against, this is a number we should be happy with.
- Will be hiring a book keeper to administer bills and collections.
- Grant - Thorton provided financials. (Not a forensic audit)
- Need to get Association credit card (\$5,000 limit) Agreed at previous meeting.

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Committees:

Finance Committee:

Financials should be sent out only by executive approval? Financials will be provided to the membership at each AGM.

Finance report- Brian Hutchinson

- \$\$\$ web site
 - Legal fees
 - Need more public relation activity \$\$
 - maybe sponsor golf team? Provide prizes for events etc.
- suggestions welcome.

Professional standards

- we have 1 complaint against a CAHPI- PEI member being currently dealt with.
- Mike noted that we get more complaints about non-members than members.

Darren Smith reported on registration.

- things going well. Keep your files updated.

Strategic planning Committee.

Our position for licensing.

- we need to be up to date and clear about our certifications process.
- be in reasonable compliance with CANPI 9 standards
- like B.C.?
- we will need a certification board .

Policy for use of CAHPI logo.

Our logo and RHI designation are copyright protected.

Guideline are there we need to implement.

New Business:

Designation issues - Terry Gordon

- Electrical code book
 - electricians like to go around codes.
 - CSA Standard being developed for HI's for existing dwellings. (Blaine)
- Key to maintaining RHI status: 5 year TIPR and MRCs.
He feels that our association should purchase a set of cd/books.
Very expensive for one person to buy. We could share, have as a resource library.

Allen, getting lots of calls from people wanting to get into inspections.

Should we get involved in gov/sponsored opportunity programs re training/apprenticeship??

NO was the general consensus .

Blaine- discussion about compatible use of Logo.

What other logos should we allow to appear alongside ours on BIZ cards etc.

WETT, ASHI, NCA. These 3 are OK. Others subject to association approval.

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Old Business: Discussion about lobbying for licensing

Info available for all provinces. Letter at national level is also there to use.

Scott Mac Lean - Should we carbon copy local members?

National (Mike Guihan): Data base & broadcasting program being developed by National to automatically distribute information to all CAHPI members direct from National.

Members at Large: Should we use them to focus on their areas??

Lawrence suggested we meet with Realtors, Bankers, etc. at provincial level.

Mike Guihan. mentioned letters from Jamie Muir and NSAR

Blaine can provide names of contacts that have responded.

Doug Wheatley suggest that NB PE NL provincial reps should work with Novsa Scotia reps & Blaine on docs

to have a standard/consistent approach/message.

Question from floor: Is there a committee addressing licensing.

Yes ADHOC- per Brian, Terry, Blaine and

Contact them for info.

Blaine- We need Provincial members to do some work. (ball carrying). We have 60+ members in 4 provinces. 99% of the work is being done by 10% of the membership.

Website. Lawrence:

New website is designed and ready for deployment.

Note: Phil Swilinger is our web guy.

- Updated our standards of practice per ASHI

- use of logo is defined (for size)

Website contents

- members list

- content??

- structured by Committee

New email addressing method.

- i.e. president@ for email title driven (so if people should leave or change duties, messages will still go to the position)

- special RHI bios section?? (I think we killed this one with the motion)

-designation changes are via Darren

-protocol for web input to follow.

Members only side

- library

- info

- forum for members

Other sections to include articles. i.e.

-why hire a CAHPI inspector

- CMHC

-other links to be added

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-videos from conferences etc.

The following motion was made regarding the new website.

On the new website, All members will appear in the drop down/popup window, one at a time, in a computer generated, random order. When a user clicks on this pop up window they will then be directed to the CAHPI-Atlantic members master list, where they can further browse the profiles of all members. That is, not only to the website or profile of the member currently appearing in the random popup window.

First: Russell Cook

2nd :Ron Duchesne

Motioned carried.

Note: members must provide a picture and profile or nothing will appear in the random popup. Member name will appear on the master list (Like now??)

Educational Component: Presentation by Right Nowe Concrete Waterproofing Services. (Roger Nowe and Allen C. Stoolmiller)

Meeting closed 2:30 PM

Next meeting September 21, 2009 Truro (Debert ?)