

# Virtual Meeting

## **MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mike	Roberts	BCMSA	Executive Director
Nela	Graham	Metro Vancouver	President
Sergio	Picco	City of Burnaby	Treasurer
Rebecca	Chow	District of Saanich	Secretary
Caleb	Mierau	City of Kamloops	Director
Nathan	Peters	City of Kelowna	Director
Dan	Smith	City of Vancouver	Director

Alan Lucas City of Chilliwack

Alastair Wright City of West Vancouver

Alyssa Janousek City of Kelowna

Andrew Brooks Regional District of Nanaimo
Anna Stoutley BC Municipal Safety Association

Anthony Thomas City of Vancouver
Candice Roffe City of White Rock
Charity Igiri City of Pitt Meadows
Cheralee Miket Ministry of Transportation

Chris Adolph City of Vancouver

Christine Zielke BC Municipal Safety Association

Chrystal Lloyd City of Prince George
Daniel York City of Penticton
Dave Lovely City of Campbell River
Eric Innes City of Vancouver
Geoff Wright City of Vancouver

Goran Denkovski Regional District of Kootenay Boundary

Hedy Wong City of Vancouver Jennifer Irwin City of Vancouver

Justin Chouhan BC Municipal Safety Association

Kelsey Hynes City of Mission
Lee McGillivray City of Vancouver
Liam Smith City of Vancouver

Lidia Grzesiuk City of North Vancouver

Linda Bryant City of Colwood
Lisa Hoult City of West Kelowna
Lisa Sheehan City of Vancouver
Loren Cusator City of Kamloops

Mark D'Angelo City of Metro Vancouver

Meghan MacLean City of Surrey



Michelle Schwendeman BC Municipal Safety Association
Miriam Bougie Resort Municipality of Whistler

Mohammad Nouri City of Vancouver Nicole Horspool City of Vancouver Boivin Nicole City of Port Coquitlam Paige Knapman City of Courtenay Preet City of Vancouver Rana Rae-Ann City of Prince George **Emery** 

Rondi Shanks Sunshine Coast Regional District

Sarah Josefson City of Kelowna
Steve Langton City of Prince George
Tracy Wynnyk Ministry of Transportation

Vanna Lymberopoulos City of Coquitlam Yinka Adewole City of Dawson Creek

#### Guests

Amenda Kumar WorkSafeBC

Christa Hutten MyWorkplaceHealth Dr. Joti Samra MyWorkplaceHealth

Kim Stubbs WorkSafeBC Lisa Houle WorkSafeBC Kira Berntson WorkSafeBC

## The meeting opened at 9:34 am

Nela Graham called the meeting to order.

## **Additions to Agenda**

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## **Adoption of Previous Minutes**

Nela Graham **Moved** to adopt the December 4, 2021 Regular General Meeting Minutes, seconded by Rebecca Chow, **Carried**.

#### **Presidents Report**

One year anniversary of the pandemic, was a testing and challenging year. Gave our membership a great opportunity to share, learn and support one another. Board development work occurring currently which includes new policies, procedures, strategic plans and budgets. We are reshaping the vision and mission of the BCMSA. In the last year BCMSA moved offices, kept the pandemic conversation going and continued to meet the strategic objectives. As our membership moves into the next phase of the pandemic with the vaccine rollout we should continue to share knowledge, new policies and variances by connecting with one another.



## **Executive Director's Report**

The BCMSA and PWABC have agreed to terms regarding the 2021 joint annual conference contract that runs until December 31. Conversations regarding future years contracts are ongoing.

Planning is now underway for the 2021 Joint Annual Conference. The virtual platform has been contracted and the Call for Speakers is open until March 31, 2021. If you can recommend any potential speakers or topics, please reach out to Christine Zielke. <a href="mailto:czielke@bcmsa.ca">czielke@bcmsa.ca</a> She is working with PWABC to ensure the speaker agenda is ready for public distribution by May 1, 2021. If you have any suppliers, you would like to see at this year's conference please send Christine their information and she will provide them with a sponsorship/exhibitor guide. A special thanks to Steve Langton from Prince George for his time and support participating on the conference committee.

A small initiative grant request for \$25,000 was submitted to WorkSafeBC to offset the development costs related to the Psychological Certificate Programs. We are currently awaiting the decision to be announced and expect to hear in late March, early April.

2020 was a one that felt like a roller coaster. Even though with all the challenges, financially the association came out strong with a surplus for both HSA and COR. Details of the financials will be available in the annual report presented to the membership online prior to the June  $4^{th}$ , AGM. Approval of the report will be required by the membership on that day.

A summary of WorkSafeBC COVID claims for Local government was shared. Overall, local government is performing well. Special thanks to all for their efforts during the pandemic, below is a summary that was discussed:

	Allowed	Dis- allowed	No adjudication req'd	Pen ding	Rejected	Suspende d	Total
Total	2,702	82	79	146	10	279	4,31 4
Public Administration	51	38	4	6	1	3	103
	Total = 89						2.39 %



The 2021 BCMSA Board of Directors elections are coming soon, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021. If you or someone you know might be interested, please visit the link for more details. https://www.bcmsa.ca/board-of-directors-nominations/

## Included in the link:

- The Nominations and Election Policy
- The schedule "B" the Acceptance of Nomination form.

## Manager of Audit & Training Services Report

The BCMSA training is back in line and consistent with our pre-pandemic booking numbers of 2019. Currently, 50% of these courses have been booked virtually; and 50% of these courses have been booked in person (fall protection, confined space, utility locator specialist, chainsaw, load securement).

At the same time, we are offering a number of open enrollment sessions. The SSCP program is being offered to the membership virtually from April 27-30, 2021. This is a great opportunity for organizations to get existing staff certified or new staff enrolled into the certificate program. JOHSC Fundamentals safety training is now being offered virtually on a monthly basis for industry. This allows organizations to register their new safety committee members into training without much delay. The dates and times of these sessions have been posted on the BCMSA website for registration.

The SCCP has successfully been incorporated into the curriculum within the Recreational Studies Diploma Program at Langara College. It is still in the early stages, but the feedback has been outstanding on the learning outcomes and integration of information within the program. The SSCP is still in the process of being incorporated into the Degree Program. A partnership announcement will be released soon.

We will also be adding the following new courses to its portfolio:

- 1. RTW Coordinator Training
  - 4-part RTW Coordinator Course which was offered by WorkSafeBC for industry (Hope, Abbotsford, Langley, Whistler among others attended).
     BCMSA hopes to add this course to their portfolio by summer of 2021



## 2. Utility Locator Specialist Refresher (1-day)

 BCMSA is working with BCCGA to develop a 1-day ULS refresher course for Industry. This course will contain a 2-hour theory portion along with a 6hour practical field locating component. The pre-requisite for this training is the existing 3-day ULS training offered by the BCMSA

## 3. E-learning Bloodborne Pathogen

 BCMSA has worked with W group to develop a Bloodborne Pathogens course for industry. This course will be able to purchase on the BCMSA online store and will retail for \$19.95

Currently, a full 8-hour day training session for workers at the BCMSA costs \$150 per student (for soft skilled courses such as Incident Investigation, WSI, JOHSC etc). When an organization books a full class, it will cost the worker \$110 for a full day of training, and \$220 for 2 full days of training to obtain their psychological health and safety certificate for workers. We have been able to massively discount the cost of this certificate for industry and will be providing either a registered psychologist or senior clinician for each session.

The BCMSA took part in a 5-day WorkSafeBC Proof of Concept COR training session on the future of the COR program. The training included:

- Updated COR Audit Standard
- Updated COR Audit Tool
- Interpretation Guidelines related to COR Audit Standard

There will be follow up meetings in March. Once these have been completed, the BCMSA will invite WorkSafeBC to meet with COR-TAC to go over the new proposed COR Program (there is no timeline when this will be rolled out at this time). The COR Pilot will be happening at the City of Courtenay in May 2021 and will be conducted by an existing BCMSA COR External Auditor.

## **WorkSafeBC Report:**

- Regulation changes coming up public hearings closed march 12
- Arborist and concrete pumper truck regulation changes Q3 2021 or later.
   WorkSafeBC will provide education and clarification to support those changes including a FAQ.
- Part 9 & part 4 regulation changes in progress.
- WorkSafeBC website has been revamped to present easier access to COVID-19 information



- COVID-19 worksite inspections in conjunction with public health occurring based on a risk bases.
- Kim Stubbs reviewed the results from a consultation project with 34 small to medium municipality

## **Sub Committee Reports**

Update in the Manager of Training and Services report.

## **Awards Presentations 2021**

- Organizational Safety Excellence Award
- Safety Improvement Award
- City of Excellence

Deadline is September 1, 2021

## Presentation by Dr Joti Samra Psychological Health and Safety Certificate

Dr Joti Samra from MyWorkplaceHealth provided an overview on the 3
psychological health & safety certificate programs. If you would like a copy, please
contact <u>ichouhan@bcmsa.ca</u>

## Presentation by WorkSafeBC on Responding to Reports of Harassment

 Kira Berntson from WorkSafeBC presented on Responding to Reports of Harassment. If you would like a copy, please contact <u>mroberts@bcmsa.ca</u>

## **Old Business**

None

## **Round Table**

- Alan Lucas (City of Chilliwack) working on reopening plans and organizing training with BCMSA
- Dan Smith (City of Vancouver) COV supporting vaccination clinics
- Daniel York (City of Penticton) new OHS administrator role, increasing open hours of City Hall, consulted the membership on how they are defining their workers related to the vaccination schedule and if policies have been created related to vaccines.
- Dave Lovely (City of Campbell River) Last meeting hoping to be back as a BCMSA instructor.
- Kelsey Hynes (City of Mission) December conducted a mental health and wellness study to provide to support to staff.
- Miriam Bougie (Whistler) Vaccine rollout collaboration with public health. Work with utilities group and confined space.
- Nela Graham (Metro Vancouver) -
- Paige Knapman (City of Courtenay) Covid-19, limited City Hall access. COR test audit in June. BCMSA training starting again.



- Goran Denkovski (RDKB) Gaseous chlorine and COVID-19 inspections occurring.
- Sarah Josefson (City of Kelowna) Supporting health authority vaccination locations. Supporting local school district elections.
- Sergio Picco (City of Burnaby) launching mental health certificate program in May. Supporting local health authority vaccine clinics.
- Steve Langton (City of Prince George) Working on inspection programs and risk management programs.
- Rondi Shanks (SCRD) new role Sunshine Coast Regional District OHS coordinator
- Yinka Adewole (City of Dawson Creek) Major goal to achieve COR in 2021

Meeting adjourned at 12:26 pm.

# **Upcoming Meetings:**

- 1. June 4th (AGM/Elections/RGM)
- 2. September 17th (RGM)
- 3. December 3rd (RGM)