

A MESSAGE FROM ECAM PRESIDENT- Dave Cook

May Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

The ECAM Board of Directors is comprised of a cross section of Industry members; residential, industrial, commercial, urban and rural, sub-contractors, engineers and associate members. The Board meets monthly September through June and is served by standing committees, advisory councils and working groups.

National Partnership Proposal - Electrical & Mechanical Collaboration

Tania Johnston, CEO of MCA Canada, presented a proposed national partnership structure between the electrical (CECA) and mechanical (MCAC) associations, highlighting a model where each organization retains its own board while contributing to a joint executive committee made up of CECA and MCAC director representatives. The proposal includes the formation of shared committees and councils to align efforts and increase collaboration. Key benefits identified include improved operational efficiency, elimination of duplicated efforts, and the opportunity for CECA to leverage MCAC's existing resources in advocacy, events, annual conferences, networking, and established committees. Collaboration on these efforts will continue as ECAM and MCAC work toward refining the structure and exploring implementation.

Committee Engagement & Opportunities

The Board reviewed the current Association Committees and volunteered for various roles to support ongoing initiatives. Members interested in getting involved are encouraged to email admin@ecamb.ca to learn more about available opportunities.

Ken Smith Memorial Golf Tournament

Save the date for September 3rd at Elmhurst Golf and Country club. Additional detail to come.

Family Night at the Ballpark - July 10th

Members are encouraged to sign up and bring their families for a fun-filled Family Night at the Ballpark with the Winnipeg Goldeyes on July 10. Gates open at 5:30 PM, and tickets include food, baseball, and seating. Don't miss this great opportunity to connect with fellow members and enjoy a summer evening together. Register HERE.

TradeConnect 2026

TradeConnect will return on March 24th. Members are encouraged to save the date and submit education session ideas to education@ecamb.ca. More details to follow.

ECAM Staffing Updates

ECAM is pleased to welcome Morgan Jachetta as the new Workforce Development Coordinator, bringing valuable skills and experience to the role. Abigail Dahl, the Office and Board Administrator has stepped away from her role. Additionally, Lily Parenteau has joined as an intern from MITT and will be with us until June 20th.

Welcome New Member!

P4 Electric has been providing electrical services in Winnipeg and surrounding areas since 1988. Their services include hazard monitoring, network cabling, control panels, design-build projects, preventative maintenance, lighting upgrades, fire alarm systems, motor controls, emergency power solutions and more. Learn more about the newest member HERE.

Apprenticeship Credential Recognition

The board discussed challenges related to the interprovincial recognition of apprenticeship credentials. A letter drafted by a member highlighted ongoing concerns about the difficulties apprentices face when moving between provinces. The Executive Director has an upcoming meeting with Apprenticeship Manitoba and plans to raise this issue to seek a solution.

Manitoba Prompt Payment Adjudication Authority

ECAM along with Industry partner have been working hard to establish the Manitoba Prompt Payment Adjudication Authority. The Authority Board of Directors includes and impressive group of Industry stakeholders including Tara Kroeker of Allco Electric and Brad Mason of Servco Canada. The Authority will be managing the Adjudication Process of the Manitoba Prompt Payment Regime which came into force April 1, 2025. Any Contracts under a Prime Contract signed on or after April 1, is subject to the Prompt Payment Regime. ECAM is co-hosting a Prompt Payment workshop, highlighting how to use the entirety of the legislation to avoid adjudication, June 19th. Please contact Education @ecamb.ca for registration details.

Builders Liens' Modernization Committee

ECAM is pleased to have Ramona Coey, ECAM Executive Director, participate in the Minister's Builders Liens' Modernization Committee tasked with reviewing the Builders Liens' Act. The Committee intends of having recommendation provided to the Minister by July 2026.



Dave Cook, ECAM President

Dave Cook, born in Thompson, Manitoba, has built a career in the electrical industry since becoming a journeyman in 1995. His journey within Static Electric saw him rise from a first level apprentice to journeyman to Operations Manager to a Co-Owner and currently to the role of President.

Dave is deeply invested in the well-being of the trade and its workers. He actively participates in discussions and drives initiatives aimed at ensuring fair treatment, upholding safety standards, and fostering professional development within the electrical sector. As the ECAM Social Committee Chair, he plays a pivotal role in promoting a supportive and inclusive environment within the industry.

Outside of work, Dave's passions include spending time with his family, cooking, playing golf, and watching hockey.