

A MESSAGE FROM ECAM PRESIDENT- Dave Cook

November 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.

WCB Prevention Charter

The Prevention Charter aims to establish a shared, forward-looking understanding of relationships, roles, and responsibilities among partners to prevent work-related injury and illness in Manitoba. The Board of Directors reviewed the WCB Charter and noted they will use the intention of the charter, when addressing items related to the WCB.

Trade Talk - December 1, 2025

Bryan Trottier, President of Trotco Electric and ECAM Board Director, will host a session on The Importance of Building Redundancy in Key Staffing Positions: Lessons Learned from 3:30–4:30 PM at the ECAM office. Learn more <u>HERE.</u>

WiMTC - Youth Trades Engagement Subcommittee

Women in Manitoba Trade Contracting Committee has established a temporary subcommittee has been established to explore engagement with the K-12 system and develop a plan identifying appropriate touchpoints to expose youth to the trades using a systemic approach.

Susie's Shed Book Drive

Women in Manitoba Trade Contracting Committee aims to place a copy of Susie's Shed in every K-2 classroom in Manitoba to promote mechanical trades and normalize women in construction, with a goal of purchasing 4,000 books. Read more HERE.

TradeConnect 2026 - Early Bird Registration Open

Early bird registration is open for TradeConnect 2026 featuring keynotes by Chris Cummins, 7-time TEDx speaker and CEO of Cummins Media Inc., and Bob Collins of Buildforce Canada. The event will offer networking and educational opportunities, with a preview of the schedule available. Learn more and register HERE.

Holiday Reception - December 15th

Celebrate the holiday season with ECAM & MCAM at Belle's Kitchen + Music Hall on December 15 from 3:30-6:30PM.. Come and go as you please. Register HERE.

Holiday Hampers - December 18th

The ECAM Holiday Hamper Event supports families facing financial challenges during the holiday season. While volunteer opportunities are full, additional donations are being sought to assist more families. Donate <u>HERE.</u>

Tariffs to Talent: Preparing the Electricity Workforce for Policy Shifts

How will U.S. tariffs and Canada's policy response reshape the electricity sector? This webinar explores the ripple effects on power generation, transmission and clean-energy supply chains and what it means for Canada's workforce. Join us November 25 from 1-2PM ET. Register HERE.

Don't Wait for a Complaint. Build a Safer Workplace Now.

Building a Sexual Harassment-Free Workplace in Electricity course will be held on January 28, 2026, from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM at the ECAM office. This one-day training offers two evidence-informed modules designed to equip leaders with skills to manage, investigate, and respond to workplace complaints. The course aims to strengthen regulatory compliance, promote a culture of safety and respect, support an inclusive environment, and demonstrate commitment to equity. Register HERE.

City of Winnipeg Updates to Development and Building Processes

The City of Winnipeg's Planning, Property & Development Department has announced several updates to improve efficiency and access to information for industry. Including: Concurrent Development Permit & Building Permit Processing, Building Permit Statistics and Changes to Lot Consolidations. Find a recording of the Permits Online 2.0 Land Development Application Demonstration HERE.

Canada Summer Jobs Funding

Canada Summer Jobs provides wage subsidies to help employers meet workforce needs while giving youth valuable work experience. High-demand sectors, including construction, green jobs, environmental protection, and technology (such as AI), offer opportunities for young Canadians to start their careers. This program presents an opportunity to engage MCAM Student Chapter members, including electrical engineering students, for summer employment. Learn more HERE.

ECAM training can now be applied towards two University of Manitoba Extended Education certificates

University of Manitoba Extended Education now recognizes Electrical Contractors Association of Manitoba (ECAM)'s Construction Fundamentals training as 36 hours of elective credit in two UM Extended Education programs: the Certificate in Applied Management (CAM) and the Certificate in Building Information Modeling (BIM) Management. Learn more HERE.

Welcome New Member

Welcome new contractor member, Global Electric Ltd. Learn more about them HERE.



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.