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President's Message

I hope all of you are staying safe as we continue to deal with Covid-19. We held our 2021 technical conference virtually this month with an excellent turnout by members and guests. Following the conference, we held our annual general meeting which was also well attended. A heartfelt thanks to all of you who attended these events. The safety codes council co-hosted our conference and AGM on their Telus Business platform. Many thanks to the council, especially Katie Pfalzgraff, for helping us pull off our first ever online event. As many of you know I have stepped down as EIAA president. I will continue in my role as education committee chair and conference co-chair. Don Ursuliak was elected president at the AGM. Congratulations Don and welcome aboard. At the AGM we passed a motion to provide a one-year free membership to students currently taking electrical SCO courses. On the education front we have a half-day seminar on battery-based energy storage (BESS) systems on Friday February 19th. BESS installations are happening in Alberta and we are pleased to partner with the International Association of Electrical Inspectors in putting on this seminar. Member cost is only \$50.00. We are also working with provincial building administrator Paul Chang on having a short seminar on building code items that impact electrical SCO's. This will most likely occur in late March. Both of these seminars are eligible for professional development hours. The ECAA, one of our corporate members, recently announced their first round of dates for code updating courses. Check the ECAA website for details. The ECAA has 2021 code books in stock. EIAA members can purchase code books at a discounted price as we are associate members of the ECAA. As I step away from the president's chair, I want to thank everyone for your support throughout my years as president. I will be working closely with Don in helping him get comfortable in his role as president.

Coming Events

Feb. 19, 2021: EIAA BESS seminar held virtually March 31, 2021: Building code items affecting electrical SCO's Friday May 28, 2021 ECAA Training Day in Kananaskis (may be online option)

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