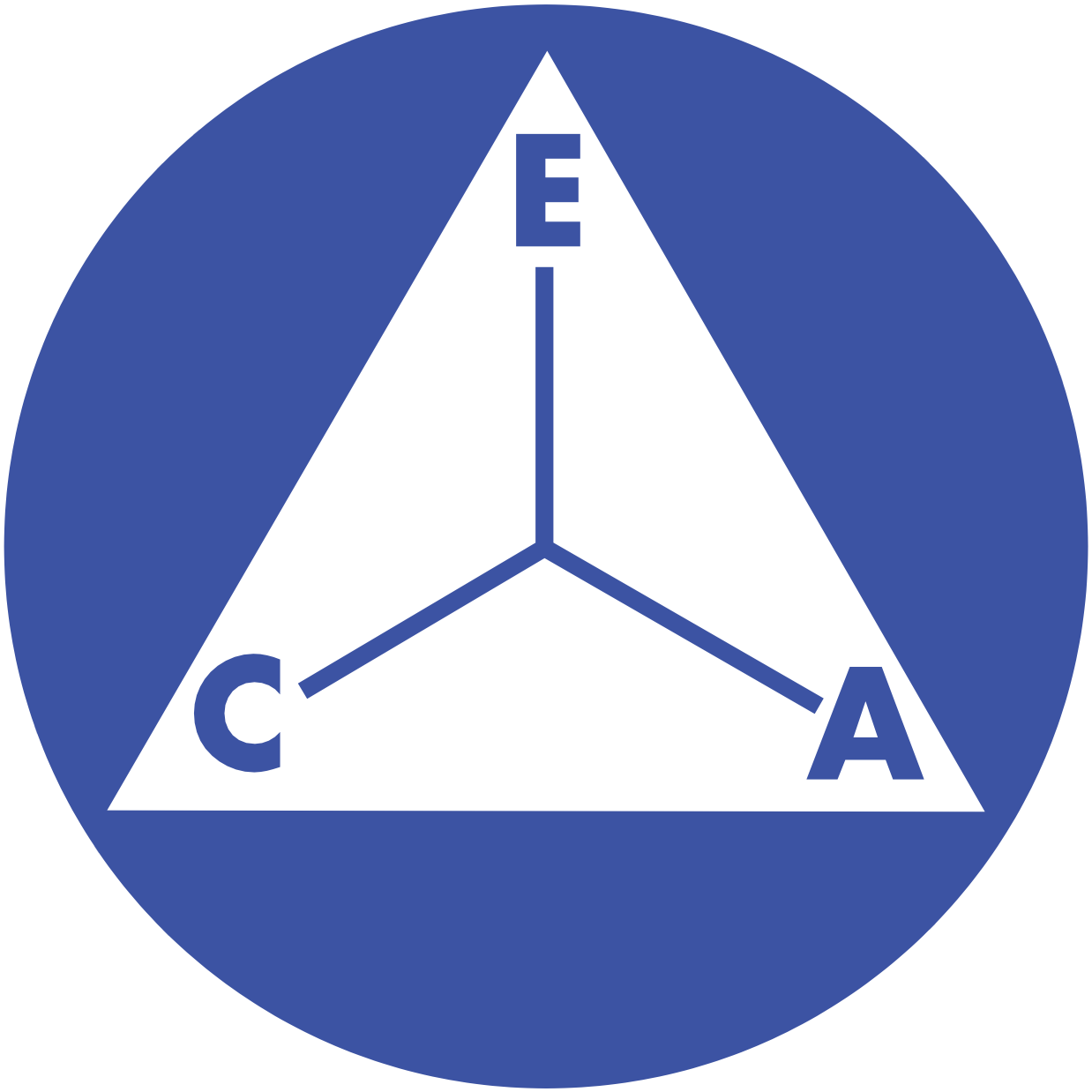
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PRESIDENT'S EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 2020, the board and staff at ECA of SK. continued to work on supporting the membership, expanding member services, and strengthening committee work. Most importantly in 2020, the Association advocated for the efficient, safe delivery of electrical services in the province.

2020 Accomplishments:

- Saskatchewan Registered Contractor Program had 79 member companies qualify for this status.
- Advocacy with TSASK on the amalgamation of Licencing and Inspections has been ongoing with input being accepted from industry.
- All committees were active including:
    - Saskatchewan Electrical Technical Committee
    - Saskatchewan Electrical Design Committee
    - Saskatchewan Electrical Liaison Committee
    - Saskatchewan Construction Association Advisory Council
- ECA of SK. has restarted a committee of industry partners in pursuit of establishing a master electrician concept in Saskatchewan.
- ECA of SK. has established a liaison with TSASK with an emphasis on education and enforcement.
- ECA of SK. was part of a consortium of construction associations to successfully lobby the provincial government to approve prompt payment legislation, Bill 152. We continue to work with the prompt payment consortium in the implementation of a Saskatchewan Adjudication Authority.
- Retirement of Doug Folk and hiring of Ken Meredith as Executive Director, July 1, 2020. Doug has remained in the organization in a consultant role.
- This year has been challenging due to the COVID-19 pandemic that has restricted many of our fundraising opportunities.
- ECA of SK. recorded a slight loss in its revenue stream this past year due to the cancellation of fundraising events.

As a trade association, we must be united and strong. The future is going to see many challenges with new and evolving technologies that will present the opportunity for renovators and others to erode the scope of the electrical trade. We need an active membership with appropriate financial resources to meet the challenge of guiding government and industry regulators to ensure a safe, profitable electrical trade in the years to come.

This has been a challenging year for many of our member companies due to the vast economic uncertainties, but we need your ongoing membership and support for the Association as we continue the vital work on our many initiatives. We are making headway on numerous long-standing issues and can only sustain this momentum by your membership renewal and participation in the associations at the local, provincial and national level.

I would like to thank all members for their support in my tenure as ECA of SK. President.

A special thank you for the ongoing efforts of our 2020 Board of Directors:

Brad Ross - Vice President
Joshua Reschny – Treasurer

Directors:

- Allan Gibb
- Dan Eberle
- Glen Gerow
- Kenny Klein
- Chad Leverick
- Kirk Simonson
- Jason Tatlow
- Kelly Timmerman
- James Wishart
- Côme Préfontaine - *Past President*

I look forward to my continuing involvement with ECA of Saskatchewan and serving as your Past President in 2021 and 2022.

Randy Lovegrove
President: Electrical Contractors Association of Saskatchewan

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

2021 will be a critical year for the ECA of Sk. as we represent Electrical Contractors on many advocacy issues.

Advocacy Issues for 2021

- Expand and promote the Saskatchewan Registered Contractor Program.
- Advocate for the introduction of a Master Electrician designation in Saskatchewan.
- Advocate for enforcement and change to the provincial Electrical Act and Regulations being responsible to contractor's needs. The Electrical Licencing Act and Regulations are scheduled for renewal in 2021. When the Act is renewed the concept of the Saskatchewan Masters Electrical Licence will be developed.
- Ensure ECA of SK. continues to have a voice on the Technical Safety Authority of Saskatchewan (TSASK).
- Work with the SCA Advisory Council and the trade group consortium to implement regulations on the amendments to the Builders Lien Act Prompt Payment Legislation Bill 152 and implementation of an Adjudication Authority for disputes.
- Develop and maintain all ECA of Sk. committees including the Saskatchewan Electrical Technical Committee, Saskatchewan Electrical Design Committee and the Saskatchewan Electrical Liaison Committee.
- Advocate for the implementation of mechanisms to help regulators educate and fine individuals for performing unlicensed electrical work.
- Implement an expanded benefit service package for our membership.
- Continued exploration of grants and other revenue streams which will help offset revenue declines from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Conclusion

Sustaining and growing our membership will result in increased revenues which is crucial to the future of ECA of SK. As an Association we will continue to push for positive changes with regulators to ensure all who are involved in the electrical industry in the province of Saskatchewan. This advocacy, combined with strong member benefits will bring enhanced value of membership in ECA of SK.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES 2020

Advocacy

- Created an awareness in government to establish a document to guide installation practices for Fire Alarm systems in the province. "Fire Alarm Systems: Building and Fire Safety Guide"
- Partnered with SaskPower Inspections to advertise and expand the Registered Contractor Program, in which 79 companies are now registered in Saskatchewan.
- Provided input on the amalgamation of licensing and inspections to TSASK.
- Supported inspections and government on Bill 180 which will allow regulators to fine individuals for performing unlicensed electrical work.
- The Technical Committee participated in the creation of a comprehensive contractor reference document for Electric Service Requirements (ESR).
- The Executive Director attended national meetings of provincial electrical association Executive Directors.

Communication and Member Promotion

- Received a Canada Emergency Business Account loan. This will offset decreases in revenue due to COVID-19.
- Implemented Facebook and Twitter accounts for ECA of SK.
- Implementation and further enhancement of the new ECA of Sk. website ecommerce portal.
- Quarterly newsletters are produced and distributed to our membership.
- 1200 prospective membership emails were sent out to contractors licenced in Saskatchewan.

Contracts

- The Board extended the contracts of our management team and hired a new Executive Director to start July 1, 2020.
- Directors and Officers Liability Insurance policies completed for ECA of SK. and local associations in Regina and Saskatoon.
- The contract was extended for ECA of Sk. office space for 2021.
- ISC corporation forms and reporting were completed for 2020.

Networking

- Restrictions due to COVID-19 limited our networking opportunities in 2020.
- Networking lunches and meetings were held in Saskatoon and Regina for ECAR and SECA during the first part of 2020.
- Networking and meetings were held virtually during the latter part of 2020.

Committee Participation

- The Board and staff have actively participated on industry committees including:
    - Saskatchewan Electrical Liaison Committee
    - Saskatchewan Construction Association Advisory Council
    - Saskatchewan Bid Depository (SBDI)
    - Saskatchewan Apprenticeship and Trade Certification Commission
    - Canadian Electrical Contractors Association
    - Saskatchewan Electrical Technical Committee
    - Saskatchewan Electrical Design Committee
    - Saskatchewan Electrical Licencing Act — Master Electrician Committee
    - Saskatchewan Construction Safety Association
    - Membership in the Saskatoon and Regina Trades and Skills Centres
    - TSASK Committee
    - National Executive Directors Group

MEMBERSHIP GROWTH:	
2012	38 Members
2013	52 Members
2014	77 Members
2015	116 Members
2016	134 Members
2017	131 Members
2018	188 Members
2019	171 Members
2020	160 Members



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