



# CANADIAN DESIGN-BUILD INSTITUTE

## Newsletter #8

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## Victoria Conference & Tutorial

### Another Great Success

The majestic Empress Hotel in beautiful Victoria B.C. set the stage for another successful conference and tutorial for the Canadian Design Build Institute (CDBI). The conference, entitled "Public-Private Partnerships: A New Frontier for Design-Build", focused primarily on the current trend towards triple-P and how it pertains to design-build. Also held was CDBI's Annual General Meeting. The meeting was attended by many CDBI members and was also open to conference delegates.

#### AGM Highlights of CDBI's past year:

- Major conference in Calgary, sessions at industry events such as Construct Canada in Toronto, Constructex in Montreal, B.C. Roadbuilders' Conference and the CCA Annual Conference in Phoenix;
- Near completion and publication of the *300 Series of the Design-Build Practice Manual*;
- Active and ongoing participation in the Joint Industry/Government of Canada Task Force on Design-Build;
- Development and approval of a payment matrix for determining honouraria;
- Release of 'Principles for Selection of a Design-Builder'; and
- Agreement by Statistics Canada to compile design-build industry statistics.

At the conclusion of its 2001 fiscal year, the CDBI reported a Net Income of \$70,702, from Revenues of \$152,455 and Expenses of \$81,753. (Note: These figures do not include the contribution of the Canadian Construction Association toward CDBI operations, which covers staffing, office overhead and indirect costs.)

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## CDBI COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Communications and Education

The Education Committee continues to facilitate CDBI design-build conferences, seminars and participation in industry trade shows and events. The Committee was also responsible for the production of the Institute's newsletters and website updates, logo sheets and the annual Membership Directory.

The Committee's 2002 priorities include holding a French language design-build tutorial in Quebec, continuing to hold one and two-day workshops across Canada, and partnering with other organizations to provide educational sessions on the proper use of design-build. CDBI is a sponsor, exhibitor and educational contributor for the Canadian Public Procurement Council's 2002 conference, and will be an exhibitor at the Design-Build Institute of America's 2002 annual conference, in addition to providing program speakers.

### Risk Management

The Committee is currently expanding its membership to include more cross-sectoral representation. The publication of the bi-annual bulletin on risk management issues is well underway, as is the development of a risk management guide/manual to accompany the use of *CCA-CSC-RAIC Documents 14 and 15*.

### Membership

The CDBI's membership currently stands at 182 members. New initiatives include offering a one-year complimentary membership to non-member speakers at CDBI conferences and seminars. The Committee, working with the Owners Committee, is developing a strategy to increase owner membership in CDBI, in addition to implementing an overall recruitment strategy that will also increase the Institute's exposure within the AEC industry.

### Owners

The Owners Committee held their second Owners-only Forum in Victoria, at which they discussed relevant issues that owners face in using design-build. The Forum is held in hopes that by discussing specific issues, CDBI can better educate users of design-build, therefore eliminating or reducing some of their problems.

The Committee's 2002 priorities include; providing model RFPs to supplement the *200 Series of the CDBI Practice Manual*; the creation of a matrix to assist owners in choosing when to use design-build; developing guidelines for the use of performance specifications in design-build; a payment matrix for determining honouraria, and; a survey for owners to determine their design-build experiences (see attached).

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### Standards of Practice

The Committee has developed the draft 300 Series CDBI Practice manual 'Responding to RFQs/RFPs', and hope to have it published in 2002. They will also be monitoring guidelines for design-build proposal calls, especially those related to public-private partnerships, and continuing their work with the Joint Industry/Government of Canada Task Force on Design-Build.

### Trade Contractors

Work is continuing on the development of a *Design-Builder/Trade Contractor Partnering Agreement*. At this juncture the committee is continuing its review of a number of similar agreements by DBIA and AGC, and expects a draft agreement to be ready soon.

## \*\*\*DESIGN-BUILD COMPETITION\*\*\*

The Canadian Design-Build Institute announced the first annual Canadian Design-Build Competition at their Victoria Conference. The competition will acknowledge leadership and excellence in Canada's design-build industry with recognition going to the design-build team whose outstanding efforts contribute to the growth and stature of the design build industry. Project submittals will be evaluated primarily on success achieved in attaining the owner/user's project goals. Submissions shall be received by CDBI no later than February 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

For full information regarding submission requirements and the Terms of Reference for the competition, please visit the CDBI website at [www.cdbi.org](http://www.cdbi.org) or contact Dianna Fournier at the CDBI office.

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