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The CDBI 2007 AGM

The CDBI's 2007 annual general meeting was held on September 28th in Gatineau, Quebec. The highlights of that meeting are covered in the following committee reports.

CDBI Committee Report Highlights

The CDBI Council met on September 28th, 2007. Here are some brief highlights from that meeting:

Communications and Education

- The location for the 2008 annual conference will be Toronto, ON October 2-3, 2008, starting with a Fundamentals of Design-Build Tutorial on October 1st.
- CDBI members will have the first opportunity to sponsor the annual conference. An email will be sent out to members later on this subject.
- CDBI will have a booth to promote membership and other CDBI services at Construct Canada November 28-30 in Toronto.

Standards of Practice

- A Fundamentals of Design-Build Tutorial was held in Gatineau, QC. It was very well attended and received. The tutorial introduced for the first time a draft of the new CCDC 14 Design-Build Stipulated Price Contract. There will also be an additional tutorial November 1st & 2nd in Halifax, Nova Scotia organized with the University of Dalhousie.
- Work continues on the Series 400 'Project Delivery' of the CDBI practice manual. Once complete its content will be added to our current Fundamentals Tutorial which at this time only goes up to the 300 Series. Also to be added to the tutorial content will be the Design-Build Teaming Agreement and the new CCDC 14.

Membership

- CDBI have 29 new member firms since January 2007.

Owners Committee

- The Owners Committee is in the process of updating their Methodology Assessment Matrix, once complete the new version will be posted on the website.

Risk Management

- The Risk Management Committee will continue to publish bulletins on current issues affecting the industry. These bulletins will be emailed to members and posted on the website.

Trade Contractors

- The Design-Build Teaming Agreement was presented to the CCA Board of Directors at their September meeting. CDBI are awaiting any final comments & approval then can proceed to publish.



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Welcome New CDBI Members

- Bing Thom Architects, an Architectural firm from Vancouver, BC
- Butler Buildings (Canada), a Manufacturer/Supplier from Burlington, ON
- E.S. Fox Ltd., a Trade Contractor company from Niagara Falls, ON
- C&H Fire Suppression Systems, a Trade Contractor company from Kitchener, ON
- Glenn Marquis, an Engineer from Dedham, Massachusetts
- KMA Contracting Inc., a General Contracting firm from Guelph, ON

Joint CDBI/DBIA Initiatives

CDBI and the Design-Build Institute of America (DBIA) have been working on several joint initiatives that have the potential of being mutually beneficial to both organizations. DBIA currently put on a Design-Build Education Tour where they present several different courses throughout the US. The courses are designed to advance the education, public awareness, understanding and utility of design-build. Some of these courses are quite specific in topic and in audience. For example they have three courses that are specifically for owners. We believe some of these courses can be brought up to Canada so our members may benefit from them.

We are also working on a deal in which CDBI members will be able to buy DBIA publications at the DBIA member rate; this will be done through the CDBI office. Once the details have been worked out and we are set up to do so, an announcement will be sent out to members.

CDBI were co-sponsors at the first Design-Build International conference held September 27-29, 2007 in London, England and organized by the American Institute of Architects (AIA). The other co-sponsors were the DBIA, Royal Institute of Irish Architects (RIAI), Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA), European Construction Federation (FIEC), and the Institution of Structural Engineers.

*****DESIGN-BUILD AWARD OF EXCELLENCE*****

Established in 2002, the CDBI Awards of Excellence are presented annually to recognize excellence in Canada's design-build industry and to acknowledge design-build teams whose projects contribute to the growth and stature of the design-build profession. Award recipients demonstrate the highest standards and principles in the design-build industry and the business community in pursuit of excellence

The deadline for submissions for the CDBI annual Design-Build Award of Excellence will be April 1st, 2008. The award winner(s) will be announced and presented at a special luncheon at the annual conference in Toronto next October.

CDBI encourage the submission of all types of projects (small, large, civil, etc.) Each year the jury decide on the categories depending on the types of submissions received. All past winners are posted on the website.

For full information regarding Submission Requirements and the Terms of Reference for the competition, please visit the CDBI website at <http://cdbi.org/awards/index.html>.

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