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SCA Board of Directors Meeting – April 2016 Summary

On April 21, 2016 the SCA Board of Directors held a regularly scheduled board meeting. The board accepted reports from integrated partners, board appointments, board committees, and administration. The board also reviewed new member engagement efforts and the Strategic Report Card.

Integrated partner reports highlighted upcoming events, governance changes, operations changes and local advocacy issues. Of note, Corey Hunchak thanked Sean Hamelin for his years of dedicated service as he prepares to finish his tenure on the SCA board of directors.

Administrative reports updated the board regarding SCA staff work, including several speaking engagements to diverse audiences of business leaders, realtors and economic development groups across Saskatchewan by Mark Cooper, President and CEO. These events reinforce the SCA's position as the leading authority on construction issues in Saskatchewan and thereby strengthen the association's advocacy ability.

Alieka Beckett, Jon Thiessen and Derek Lothian were all formally introduced to the board. Alieka is the SCA's new Workforce Development Coordinator helping to foster a positive and mutually beneficial environment for employers and youth interested in trades and construction. Jon will be working on the newly launched Skills Link program funded by the federal government. Finally, Derek is working on the SCA's membership engagement portfolio to develop services and partnerships.

Ongoing SCA priorities include advocacy initiatives including prompt payment, Priority Saskatchewan and industry dialogue sessions on both quality of documents and a Suppliers' Forum. The SCA is also working with the Ministry of Education to encourage a consistent and transparent procurement processes in school boards across the province.

The board endorsed a letter of support to the Sprinkler Systems Installer Compulsory Trade Task Force and accepted the Skills Link contract terms. It was also affirmed that membership fees would remain at \$500.

Internally, the SCA will begin developing public policy positions on a trial basis, will develop an in-house policy on CCA conference attendance and work towards the development of a Standards and Practices Committee on the Advisory Council. The SCA will also work with integrated partner associations to encourage the use of the events calendar on the buildsask.ca website.

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The SCA is on track to complete every item on the 2015-6 Operating plan.

Board appointments and committees reported with highlights including potential changes to the SCSA board on the horizon, Ron Smith being appointed to the CCA Executive Committee, progress towards the hiring of a buildsask Manager, and changes to the Election Policy as recommended by the Governance Committee. Bill Preston has agreed to remain as the non-board representative on the Governance Committee.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 22, 2016 in Prince Albert.

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