

January Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

The MCAM Board of Directors is comprised of a cross section of Industry members; Residential through Heavy Industrial, urban and rural, sub-contractors, engineers and associate members. The Board meets monthly September through June and is served by standing committees, advisory councils and working groups.

Inspection and Technical Services

Joe Kasprick, Program Manager – Building Codes, and Jeremy Rivers, Policy Analyst from ITS provided updates to the Board of Directors on the National Building Codes. These updates included changes to the National Building Code process, Manitoba Building Code variations, as well as highlights of the significant changes between the 2010 and 2020 National Building Codes and those directly impacting the Mechanical Industry. Based on indication from Industry, the Manitoba Government will be adopting the 2020 Building Codes this spring with implementation this fall rather than the 2015 codes. The Board of Directors created a working committee to review the highlighted changes as well as the provincial variations. Recommendations from the committee will be communicated to ITS as stakeholder input.

Save the Date- Annual General Meeting April 27th, 2023

The Annual General Meeting is scheduled for April 27th, 2023. Additional details to come.

Membership Advantage Program Additions

The Board of Directors have accepted two new partnerships into the member's advantage program. [Ellement](#) will be providing a group benefits plan and [Cloudli](#) offers VoIP service for business phones and maintenance.

Gasfitter Class A and Class B Virtual RSOS Workshop

Red Seal Occupational Standard is calling for industry representatives to participate in a virtual Occupational Analysis Development workshop for both Gasfitter Class A and Class B trades. The workshop will be September 18 to October 6, 2023. Find more information [here](#).

Condolences on Behalf of MCAM

MCAM is sending our condolences to the family and friends of Dennis Arnel, a prominent member of the Mechanical Industry. Find his obituary [here](#).

University of Manitoba Concrete Canoe Sponsorship 2023

The Canadian National Concrete Canoe Competition hosts over 120 engineering students from 13+ post-secondary schools to construct a fully functional canoe made from concrete. The canoe needs to be able to float by itself and support the weight of the team's four rowers. Find sponsorship opportunities [here](#).

Technical Safety Regulation Regulatory Project

The Government of Manitoba is looking for feedback on the proposed new Technical Safety Regulation, including the Elevating Device Schedule. The proposed Elevating Device Schedule, which is part of the proposed new Technical Safety Regulation, is intended to modernize the way that elevating devices, including elevators, escalators, man lifts, ski tows, etc., are regulated. Find the Manitoba Regulatory Consultation Portal [here](#).

Welcome New Members

Welcome to our newest members!

- Informanix Technology Group: Offers technology consulting, infrastructure solutions and managed services. Learn more [here](#).
- CGM Engineering Ltd.: Winnipeg-based company providing mechanical, electrical, and civil design and consulting engineering services. Learn more [here](#).
- 365 Technologies: Offers small- to medium-sized business experiences Worry-Free IT™ seven days a week, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Learn more [here](#).

Pink Shirts for Sale

MCAM is selling pink t-shirts in support of Pink Shirt Day on February 22, 2023. Together we can spread kindness, build inclusivity, make a change and end bullying. There are three designs to choose from and the proceeds from the t-shirt sales will go to anti-bullying programs. Order pink shirts for you and your staff and support the cause [here](#).

Marc Lynch Award Applications Open

Applications are open for the Marc Lynch Award. Marc had a vision for MCAM which he passionately communicated to the staff and Board of Directors. Through this award, the association intends to carry out his vision of excellence in the industry. This scholarship is intended for MCAM member companies' staff and families. It will be awarded to students pursuing a post-secondary program. Find the award application [here](#).

February Lunch & Learn- February 23, 2023

Join us on February 23, 2023, at Winnipeg's newest venue, **The Leaf!** Presentations will feature Grease Interceptors and Waste Management from the City of Winnipeg and Designing, Installing, & Maintaining Grease Interceptors from Schier/Tom Beggs Agencies. Thank you to our Presenting Sponsor, Uponor. Registration and Trade Both Sponsorship are available [here](#).

Next Gen Ice Fishing Derby- March 2, 2023 IT'S BACK!!

March 2nd, join us on ice for a full day of ice fishing guided by Kannuk Outfitters. The day will include a delicious fish fry & BBQ lunch on the ice! This event brings networking to another level. Thank you to our Title Sponsor, Pitblado Law. Register your team/single or sponsor [here](#).



Julien Lafleche, MCAM President

Julien has served on MCAM Board of Directors since 2014. His passion for the industry and 24 years of experience started early. He spent High School summers working as a civil contractor before transitioning to an apprentice Steamfitter. Julien is the President and CEO of DMS Industrial Constructors Inc. a ServcoCanada company.