

CHES Membership Committee

Report for Maritimes AGM May 2022

Membership Recognition Program

The Membership Recognition Program will be enhanced for 2022 to include Pins for membership 10 years and over and Plaques for 20 years and over. The program was introduced last year with plaques being given to those with membership of 20 years and over.

CHES Awards Updates

The Committee is looking forward to receiving and evaluating the submissions for the Wayne McLellan Award, Hans Burgers Award and President's Award. Every year, the Committee evaluates the terms of reference and makes minor changes to be more consistent and relevant. We look forward to reviewing, evaluating and scoring the submissions for these awards in June and July and recommending this year's award winners to the CHES National Board for consideration and approval.

Membership Report

Compared to the previous year (2020/21), Membership is down about 7% across the National organization; When compared to pre-Covid years (2019/20), membership is down 18% Nationally; mostly attributed to the cancellation of in person National and Chapter activities because of the COVID restrictions.

The Maritimes Chapter membership is also down about 17% from the previous year (2020/21), and down 25% from pre-Covid years (2019/20).

Associate Membership has seen the largest decline by membership type.

There are currently 96 paid members in the Maritime Chapter.

Sponsors for Three Awards Secured for 2022

Sponsors for three awards have been secured for 2022. The Hans Burgers, Wayne McLellan and Presidents Awards will each be sponsored for \$5,000.

The YPG (Young Professionals Grant) has yet to be sponsored for 2022. This year, promotion of the award nominations will be separated from the request for award sponsors with the National office sending out separate requests for award nominations and for award sponsors.

Group Payment Process

The Group Payment Process has been revised and forwarded to the National Board for discussion and approval. The Committee is proposing that 5-9 memberships on the same payment receive an \$8 discount per member and 10 or more memberships on the same payment receive a \$10 discount per member.

Review of Membership Policies and TORs

Policies D1.1, D1.2 and TOR D5.1 have been reviewed by the Committee and recommended revisions forwarded to the National Board for approval.

Increasing Membership from LTC

The Membership Committee sees great potential in increasing membership from the Long Term Care (LTC) facilities throughout the country. A membership sub-committee has been formed to develop a framework for how CHES can reach out to LTC and attract them to become members. The committee Chair is currently developing a draft proposal for the Membership Committee to review at their June 2022 meeting.