



FALL FORUM REPORT 2012

On behalf of the Canadian Right of Way Education Foundation (CRWEF) Board of Directors, I am pleased to provide the following updates from your Education Foundation.

Financial Update:

Value Plan Account – \$22,227.50 is on deposit as of August 31/12.

Community Account – \$71614.97 is on deposit as of Sept 21/12.

GIC's - Term Investments – \$125,890.25 in total on deposit as of May 18/12 (date of last statement)

Revenue from Annual Conference (Seattle):

- Donations – \$8,382.00
- Casino Night - \$3,724.79
- Golf Tourney – Have not heard yet.
- Canadian Hospitality Night - \$2,000.00

On behalf of the CRWEF Board of Directors, we would like to thank all of those who made contributions to the Foundation this past year and those who continue to contribute year after year to the Foundation when paying their annual dues.

2012 Annual General Meeting – June 10/12 – Seattle Washington (Hi-Lites)

By-Law Amendment - At this year's AGM in Seattle the CRWEF's Board of Directors proposed an amendment to its existing By-Law to extend the length of terms from one year to two years for the elected positions of President, Vice-President and Secretary/Treasurer.

The motion was made and was passed and thus Section 23 of the By-law was amended to read:

“A person elected as Secretary/Treasurer shall hold office for two years and shall be prepared to advance, if elected, to the office Vice-President. The person elected as Vice-President shall hold the office for two years and shall be prepared to advance, if elected, to the office of President. The person elected as President shall hold the office for two years.”

The above by-law amendment resulted in a motion being made from the floor that in light of this by-law change the 2012 election of officers be suspended and the existing executive to remain in their current positions. The motioned was carried without discussion.

The elected CRWEF officers for 2012-2013 are:

Stewart Anderson, SR/WA	-	President
Brenda Becker, SR/WA	-	Vice-President
Dawn MacDougall, SR/WA	-	Secretary/Treasurer



News from International Professional Development Committee (IPDC)

- The title of Facilitators has been changed back to Instructors
- New Course C219 – Intro to Presentation, Instruction and Facilitation was piloted in Seattle. This will be the prerequisite for the Master Instructor Course to be piloted in 2013 at next years Annual Conference.
- Course C606C – The Environmental Process, Canadian Version was launched on Feb 6/12
- Course C803C – Expropriation in Canada is ready for its second pilot.

CRWEF Scholarship - The recipient of this years CRWEF scholarship in the amount of \$2,500.00 was Lauren Severance. Lauren is from Lenexa Kansas (Chapter 5) and is attending Vanderbilt University with plans to become an engineer.

We had no Canadian applications this year, so please remind your chapter members that the scholarship is open to any graduating high school students (they do not have to be related to an IRWA member) who will be pursuing secondary education in one of the of these fields; Public Administration, Real Estate Appraisal, Planning, Surveying, Engineering, Environmental Studies or Law

A complete copy this year's AGM minutes, and past AGM minutes, can be viewed on the CRWEF's website.

Canadian Hospitality Suite - After a year absence the rebranded Canadian Hospitality Evening was reintroduced as a sidebar to the Annual Conference. The focus of the evening is that of a fund raiser with all proceeds split between the CRWEF and RWIEF. The event was held at the Tap House Grill which offered over 100 types of beer on tap and an appetizer buffet with entertainment from a local group called the Herding Cats. The event was well attended by many conference goers and several members from IEC also attending with many complements and positive feedback on how well the event was organized and ran.

A big congratulations and thank you to the CHS committee, Chris Thompson (Chapter 48), Brian Taylor (Chapter 62) Brigitte Jones (Chapter 29) Russ Dyck (Chapter 48) and all other volunteers, for hosting the event and making a donation in the amount of \$2,000.00 to the CRWEF and \$1,000 to the RWIEF.

Charitable Organization Application – As reported in the Spring Forum Report, our original application was declined by the Canadian Revenue Agency (CRA) due to failing to provide the appropriate information in a timely fashion; to this end Brenda Becker SR/WA agreed to take on this challenge and resubmit our application.

The new application was submitted on March 29/12. Brenda received confirmation on August 5/12 that our application has been received and it will take five to six months to have it processed and assigned to an agent. So hopefully by November or December we will know more. In the meantime the amendments to our by-laws resulting from this year's AGM have been submitted to Corporations Canada for the Minister's approval.

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CRWEF's Web Page – New information is constantly being added to our web page. Please take some time to check it out. The web page can be accessed through the Partners tab on the IRWA website.

Coffee Challenge – At this years Conference's Board of Directors Meeting, CRWEF President issued the Canadian Coffee Challenge to those attending. If a member was to donate the cost of one cup of coffee per week, at the next conference that member could make a donation of \$91.00, if one third of the Canadian Membership accepted the challenge, \$27,000 could be donated; if one half of the IRWA membership accepted the challenge then \$450,000 could be generated for education purposes.

The CRWEF's Board of Directors has all agreed to take on this challenge. The Board respectfully asks that the various chapter leaders also take on the challenge and ask your respective chapter membership to also take on this challenge.

On behalf of the CRWEF, I again thank you for your continued support and generous donations to your education foundation!

Stewart Anderson, SR/WA
President, CRWEF

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." – Nelson Mandela.