



**Executive Director's Report
January 28, 2022**

1. ITA

Skills BC is working with the ITA to develop an agreement sharing clause for its Regional and Provincials 2022 registration forms as per the terms of the new funding agreement.

Skills for Success Funding

Skills BC is working on developing content to fulfill its funding agreement to produce Skills for Success materials for the Inspire Program and the Online Challenges.

This funding was allocated to Skills BC to update former “Essential Skills” materials used by Skills BC in its Inspire Program and Online Challenges.

2. Inspire Program

The Inspire Program vis-a-vie SIP (South Island Partnership) is receiving \$15,000 in sponsorship dollars to host Inspire presentations. SCBC is administering the program and SIP is coordinating program delivery.

3. AEST

Skills BC continues to host monthly calls with AEST to keep the ministry apprised of competitions, in-school programs, and online competitions.

4. AEST – November 2021 Apprenticeship Recognition Month

Skills BC developed a schedule of activities to help AEST celebrate November 2021 Apprenticeship Recognition Month.

5. SCBC - Nationals 2022 Planning Committee

The Nationals 2022 Planning Committee hosted a meeting on December 2, 2021. The Committee explored the possibility of hosting additional events around the Nationals 2022.

6. Nationals 2022

The Member Organizations met with the National Office to discuss the logistics of continuing to plan to host the PS competitions in Vancouver. At this time the Secondary Nationals 2022 will be held remotely and the PS competitions as well as the WorldSkills 2022 run-off competitions are scheduled to be held at the Vancouver Convention Centre May 25 – 28, 2022. Additional meetings are scheduled for February 2 and 9, 10 to continue these discussions and stay current on pandemic trends.

7. Nationals 2022, 2023 & 2024

The National board approved rescheduling the National competitions for the next three years as follows:

- Vancouver 2022
- Winnipeg 2023
- Toronto 2024

8. Team Canada Qualifying Event

The National Office sent out a survey to the Member Organizations to gauge interest in various options for the Team Canada Selection event. Last week a survey was sent to the Member Organizations and a meeting was held to discuss the results. Still no firm decisions on how the Team Canada Selection Event will roll out.

9. Shanghai 2022

WorldSkills 2022 is planned for Shanghai (October 12- 17, 2022). The National Office plans to make a final decision in place about sending Team Canada to compete in Shanghai by December 2021.

10. Alumni & Partner Series

Skills Canada BC has been working with its Alumni and partners to create video content for its Inspire Program, YouTube Channel, social media feeds and newsletters. These videos tell inspiring stories about SCBC's Alumni and their journeys into the skilled trades and technology fields. New videos (below) were release throughout the Summer of 2021.

Now Skills BC is actively recruiting Skills BC Alumni to mentor new competitors and provide input on careers in the skilled trades and technology sectors.

Refrigeration Alumni - Interview with Larry Nohr

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p-ALmEdyzS4&t=9s>

Skills Canada BC Graphic Design Alumni 2019 – Joseph Thoong

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NlpzMbSHtgI>

Cameron Jones Alumni Interview - Flashback Friday Series

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z1D4wmII-B4&t=24s>

11. Team Canada Expert Selection - Skill 18 Electrical Installations

SCBC submitted a letter of recommendation for Jason Taylor (WJETS) to become the next Team Canada Expert – Skills 18 Electrical Installations. Interviews for this position will commence early September 2021.

Mobile Robotics at the SCNC 2022 and WorldSkills 2022

The National Office proposed the creation of a Team Canada selection category at the SCNC 2022. The Member Organizations rejected this initiative as it would cost thousands of dollars for most provinces and territories to retool educators with the software and tools they would need to participate in the proposed competition. Based on this feedback the National Office has decided not to pursue creating a National Mobile Robotics team for WorldSkills 2022.