

ICSB Affiliate Report Canadian Council for Small Business and Entrepreneurship

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Current Number of members: 56

Affiliate Conference Schedule and location for 2016-17: University of Guelph, May - 2016.

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* Enter as many as needed.

Please list the date of your upcoming Board elections:

2015: Recently held on May 29, 2015 Annual General Meeting in Edmonton, Alberta as part of the CCSBE Conference at MacEwan University.

2016: Will be held in May at the AGM in Guelph, Ontario

Next Year's conference location:

Guelph University, Guelph, Ontario

Highlights and New Developments:

- We had an excellent event at our 2014 Conference in Antigonish, Nova Scotia. A nice mix of fine presentations and a memorable set of social and networking events.
- As a result of Antigonish, Mike Henry, Associate Dean at MacEwan University in Edmonton, Alberta, decided to bid on, and went on to win the right to host the 2015 conference.
- The addition of a representative of Industry Canada to our Board has resulted in a much closer relationship with policy makers and the insight that aligns both research and practical programming with national entrepreneurship strategies. The organization has been around for 30 years and has evolved; it is enriched by the practitioner and policy adjuncts.
- We have seen a change in editorship for our journal, JSBE, which will result in innovative ways to make that publication more meaningful to the entrepreneurship research community. Dr. Mai Thi Thanh Thai of HEC Montreal will be taking the reins from long-serving editor Dr. Jean-Marie Nkongolo Bakenda to whom we owe great thanks for his work.
- The development and maintenance of a stable Secretariat has resulted in better communication with members and among Board members, greater productivity, compliance with government regulations and more organized documentation, processes and procedures.
- This year, we re-wrote our by-laws to be in accordance with the new CRA legislation regarding by-laws for non-profit organizations.
- Many thanks go to our departing members, Francine Schlosser, Jean-François Lalonde, and particularly, Gerry Kerr at Odette School of Business, University of Windsor. Gerry took on the role of President at a time where there was no support from a Secretariat office and was able to hold this organization together during a very difficult time. That we are now growing and

evolving is due in great part to his Herculean efforts on our behalf. Gerry's leadership and many hours of work in writing *Measuring Entrepreneurial Performance in Canada: A Review and Recommendations* under the CCSBE banner has provided us with increased credibility and visibility.

Discuss key problems/challenges faced:

- This year was about the hard work we have done in building back membership lost through disengagement of membership with conference registration, and through technical problems with membership registration on website. The compliance with CASL legislation also contributed to difficulties in reaching past members and building a communications plan.

Discuss any issues that require the Boards action: