

# ASHRAE Ottawa Valley Chapter

## Chapter Meeting #1 – 20 September 2018

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Meeting Date:	20 September 2018
Location:	Lago Bar and Grill, 1001 Queen Elizabeth Dr, Ottawa, ON
Attendance:	Total: 63
	Members: 50    Guests: 11    Students: 2
Theme:	Membership
Tour:	None
Tech Session:	None
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Program:	ASHRAE - How You Can Get involved
Speakers:	Erich Binder, DL
Prepared by:	Adrienne Mitani

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### **Social** (17:30 – 18:20)

### **Business Session** (18:40 – 18:59)

- President Daniel Redmond welcome message, call to order and a thanks to all of the chapter volunteers with a general overview of the year.
- President Daniel Redmond introduced the Board of Governors and the Executive.
- President Daniel Redmond introduced the Committee Chairs, and said thank you to the volunteers of the chapter.
- Secretary Adrienne Mitani introduced the guests.
- Membership Promotion Chair Andrew Brown introduced the new members to the Ottawa chapter: Richard Berube, Jeffrey Templeton, John Mangione, Clinton Agriesti, Hema Murty, Thomas Hinke, Shawn Pattimore, Natalie Irwin, Graham Houze, Thomas Manser, Tripath Singh, Mathieu Latouche, Maria Lucca, Ahmed Kamel, Trevor Scott, Jean Duquette, and Brent Fallis. He also introduced himself and his experience at the Centralized training and his “Why I ASHRAE” and what getting involved with ASHRAE.
- President Daniel Redmond thanked everyone for the success of research promotion campaign for the 2017-2018 chapter year, with over 220% of the goal, which was a record for the chapter.
- President-Elect Aaron Dobson talked about research promotion, the previous year the chapter was within the top 3 of all ASHAE chapters for funds raised. Much of the money raised goes toward the local scholarship, which will be given out to a local student next year. Our goal set for this year is \$35,000, the money is raised from the monthly raffles as well as events like the golf tournaments and the money raised stays in the region. Over \$200,00 was raised last year in our region, and over a million dollars was donated by Society to local research in our region. Research Promotion campaign starts at the Chapter meeting with 4 Redblack tickets donated by Ainsworth.

- YEA Chair Jordan Hansen discussed the YEA and creating a friendly community, and upcoming chapter YEA event which will be held for the end of October 19th for a Red Blacks game event, and everyone is welcome to attend.
- Governor Joe Della Valle discusses ASHRAE Stroke Play Golf tournament for the upcoming Friday, registration is sold out, further information will be sent out, and thanks for Steve Moons and everyone who registered.
- ASHRAE President Elect Darryl Boyce and President Dan Redmond presented awards from the Annual meeting in Huston and the CRC in Windsor to recognize the efforts of volunteers at Society and Regional levels. The Society William J Collins Jr Research Promotion award, and Presidential Award of Excellence with special citations from the CRC were presented to Adam Graham. Chapter Service Awards from the CRC for members who dedicate service to the Chapter were presented to Chris Frauley and Georges Maamari.

Business Session Finished at 18:59 pm

***Dinner*** (19:00 – 19:55)

- Dinner served at 19:00 pm
- Dinner was choice of appetizer of Heirloom Tomato Soup, Cranberry Walnut Salad, or Caesar Salad. Choice of Entrée was 8oz Chicken Supreme, 7oz Honey & Herb Roasted Atlantic Salmon Fillet or 10oz New York Striploin with peppercorn and brandy reduction.
- Vegetarian and gluten-free option was General Tsao Cauliflower.
- Dessert was New York Style Cheesecake.

***Evening Program*** (19:55- 20:50)

- Evening program started at 19:55pm
- President Dan Redmond announced the program topic and introduced the speaker, ASHRAE DL Erich Binder from Calgary. Erich Binder has been involved with ASHRAE for 45 years and is part of the Board of Directors and is a Society Director at Large.
- Erich discussed the many ways to get involved with ASHRAE, emphasizing the distinguished lecture program, if you have a presentation it is a great opportunity for travel and meet people in our industry across the world. Find your passion, there are many areas of the organization to get involved in.
- Many people get involved by osmosis or through the networking and technical information that is part of ASHRAE at the local level. Membership includes the entire building industry not exclusively consultants, contractors, manufacturers, sales representatives, governments and health, education and design build, but all areas of the industry.
- He gave an overview of the different areas of the organization. ASHRAE has 57,000 volunteers with student members, YEA members, 11,000 Canadians, 130 Countries, 15 Regions, 183 Chapters, and 269 Student Branches.
- ASHRAE creates technical standards and guidelines, offers continuing education with tons of educational information available, and serves as an important networking tool in industry. It is unique due to the expanding global population of the organization as well as its expansion to work with many other societies to be an industry leader.

- ASHRAE's vision is to become a global organization and leader, our set up is unique with our volunteer base and collaboration with many partners to provide professional growth in the HVAC industry. Areas to get involved include the Chapter level committees, Regional level, CRC's, technical committees, government affairs, education and publications, and society conferences.
- Getting involved at the chapter level can mean being part of a committee, which can take a few hours a month or organizing one event during the year. By attending chapter meetings, you will learn who is in industry outside of work hours. Volunteering does not need to be an intimidating time commitment.
- Regional conferences, CRC's, are an annual organization meeting to train the incoming board members and committee chairs. They are a great place to get involved and volunteer as well as find out more about how chapters are operated.
- Region also has leadership that run the CRC and many are nominated and selected at the CRC. The regional leadership supports the chapters during the year.
- Technical committees are a great way to get involved, and allow members to be involved in the creation of standards and handbooks. All volunteers start as nonvoting members and you can volunteer to review presentations, technical papers, standards and handbooks and give input into the creation of standards, papers and handbooks. Technical committees are responsible for presenting at ASHRAE meetings and you are able to meet people from across the world at the winter and summer meetings and during conference calls during the year. ASHRAE standards are ANSI accredited consensus standards and the committee voting members must have a majority, as an example standard 189.1 has 85,000 commenters, which allows the standards to be well vetted by the large group of volunteers that ASHREA has. ASHRAE has 130 active standards which are updated on a 3-year cycle.
- Government affairs is a chapter and society committee that talks to local government at local levels, such as the Ottawa Day on the Hill which talks to MP's about ASHRAE, standards and guidelines and to make them aware of our organization.
- Publications and education created by ASHRAE include communications, communiques, journals, as well as certifications and continuing education courses. Education also includes ALI courses such as commissioning for operation and performance in the learning institute. Member can be involved by contributing, attending or presenting the materials.
- ASHRAE society conferences are also organized by volunteers part of the CEC committee, which includes session managers, presenters, speakers, as well as those who organize the event.
- YEA leadership weekends are a great opportunity for members under 35 to develop soft skills and network with young leaders across North America and also learn more about ASHRAE.
- The main thing that Erich emphasized on was the great opportunities that ASHRAE offers to get involved and to find what your passion is, whether it is in a technical committee and or in leadership. Find your passion, and find people with similar passions to collaborate with and build your network in industry.
- Questions – two question asked, one about access to the presentation materials, the other about how Erich got involved with ASHRAE.

- Erich got involved in our industry through an early construction job which led to going back to school or engineering. He got involved in Industrial engineering through a risk management group in the insurance industry in the need to work together to learn from past mistakes and prevent everyone from making that mistake again it needs to be talked about.
- President Daniel Redmond thanked speaker and presenting gift (commemorative coin) to Erich Binder from ASHRAE Ottawa Valley Chapter
- President Dan Redmond thanked Erich Binder and reminded attendees of the survey which will be emailed. The next meeting is October 16th at the Centurion Conference and Event Center.

**Meeting adjourned 21:00 pm**