

## **President's Report – Marc Schuffert, P. Ag.**

I would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Lheidli T'enneh.

On behalf of the CCI branch executive, I welcome you all to the AGM. Geographically, CCI branch encompass area from Williams Lake to Smithers. The branch is focussed on creating PD opportunities for the members in their respective cities.

As you all know, the BC government introduced the *Professional Governance Act* in November 2018 which has been implemented gradually and will result in significant changes for BCIA and its members.

Another development, on February 28, 2019, the Agricultural Waste Regulation was replaced by the Agricultural Environmental Management Code of Practice to protect our soil, water and air while conducting small hobby farms or large agricultural operations. Some of the key changes include risk-based and science-based approaches to nutrient management. It will be beneficial for all the agrologists to have a read of the Code.

Thankfully, there were no major wildfires in our region this year. However, we had a flooding situation in the region which caused some concerns in the low-lying farming communities. Some roads and portions of farms were damaged during the flood.

There has been tremendous enthusiasm about professional development. The CCI branch held PD sessions on different topics including Groundwater Protection Regulation; how colony size limits provision rates and reproductive success for an arctic seabird; and caribou feeding station near Mackenzie; Sturgeon Hatchery and Farm to Fork tours of local producers.

## **Treasurer's Report – Caroline Feischl, P. Ag.**

2021/2022 Financial Report to date (October 12, 2022)

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|---|---------------------|
| <b>STARTING BANK BALANCE AS OF JAN 1, 2022</b>    | <b>\$3,420.00</b>   |
| <b>2022 BRANCH ALLOCATION</b>                     | <b>\$3,400.00</b>   |
| <b>EXPENSES &amp; REVENUE TO OCTOBER 12, 2022</b> | <b>- \$3,995.62</b> |
| <b>ACCOUNT BALANCE TO DATE</b>                    | <b>\$2, 824.38</b>  |

| CCI Branch                                 | BC Institute of Agrologists - Branch Financials |             |             |             |             |
|--|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2022                                       | Last Updated: October 12, 2022                  |             |             |             |             |
|  | January   | March       | Sept        | October     | Total       |
| <b>REVENUE</b>                             |   |             |             |             |             |
| Branch AGM                                 |   |             | \$ 900.00   |             | \$ -        |
| Other (donations, sponsorships)            |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| Professional Development Events            |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>                       | \$ -  | \$ -        | \$ 900.00   | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>                            |   |             |             |             |             |
| Branch Executive Meetings                  |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| A.Ag. /Mentor Events                       |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| Member Travel Subsidies                    |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| Donations/Sponsorships                     |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| Miscellaneous(supplies, awards, swag, etc) |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| Credit card / bank fees                    |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| Branch AGM                                 |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| Catering/Food/Venue                        |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| Supplies/Awards/Other                      |   |             |             | \$ 150.00   | \$ 150.00   |
| PD at AGM                                  |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| Professional Development                   |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| Presenter Expenses                         |   | \$ 150.00   | \$ 423.00   |             | \$ 573.00   |
| Catering/Food                              |   |             | \$ 1,568.92 |             | \$ 1,568.92 |
| Transportation                             |   |             | \$ 1,200.00 |             | \$ 1,200.00 |
| PD Organizer Travel                        |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| Other                                      |   |             | \$ 150.00   |             | \$ 150.00   |
|  |   |             | \$ 353.70   |             | \$ 353.70   |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>                       | \$ -  | \$ 150.00   | \$ 3,695.62 | \$ 150.00   | \$ 3,995.62 |
|  |   |             |             |             | \$ -        |
| <b>NET INCOME</b>                          | \$0.00  | -\$150.00   | -\$2,795.62 | -\$150.00   | -\$3,995.62 |
| <b>Balance</b>                             | \$ 6,820.00                                     | \$ 6,670.00 | \$ 3,874.38 | \$ 3,724.38 |             |
| Starting Bank Balance as of Jan 1, 2022    | \$ 3,420.00                                     |             |             |             |             |
| 2022 Branch allocation                     | \$ 3,400.00                                     |             |             |             |             |
| Expenses and revenues for 2022             | -\$3,995.62                                     |             |             |             |             |
| <b>Account Balance to date</b>             | \$ 2,824.38                                     |             |             |             |             |

### PD Coordinator's Report – Emma Swabey, P. Ag.

| Date    | Name  | Speaker                               |
|---------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Mar 30  | Beekeeping in Northern BC                                     | Barry Clark, BC Honey Producers       |
| Apr 5   | Young Agrarians (YA) Land Matching in Central and Northern BC | Morgan Kitchen, YA Land Matcher       |
| May 18  | Native Bees in BC   | Bonnie Zand, Native Bee Society of BC |
| Jun 24  | PG Lagoon and Wetland Tour                                    | City of PG                            |
| Sept 1  | Integrated Pest Management Webinar                            | Conrad Berube, MOECC                  |
| Sept 15 | Exploring Environmental and Agricultural Resiliency           | 7 speakers!                           |
| Sept 19 | Metal Leaching and Acid Rock Drainage                         | Alexander Kaul, MOECC                 |
| Nov 15  | Heavy Metals in Sturgeon                                      | Kym Keogh, MOECC                      |

## 2022 PD Report

8 Events  
6 virtual, 2 in-person

16 PD Hours  
(informal, general & agrology)

17 Speakers

Diverse Topics



UHNBC Drumming Circle performing at Sept 19 PD Event at UNBC, Prince George

### Potential 2022/23 events:

- Nov 2022 - brainstorm with other Branch PD Coordinators, share successes
- Dec 2022 – list of recommended resiliency courses per Enviro & Ag Resiliency Event, for formal PD hours
- Encourage CCI Branch Socials for 2023
  - Ex: informal “Agrology Breakfasts”
- Revisit PD topic survey results, poll PD registrants on areas of interest.

### A BIG THANK YOU to:

- Barb Oke
- Michelle Miller
- Kirstin Niquidet

For planning the Exploring Enviro and Ag Resiliency Event (the PD event associated with AGM).

Diligent folks + large planning contribution led to a successful event!

**Registrant Coordinator’s Report – Michelle Miller, A. Ag.**

CCI Branch is always looking for new mentors. Please let me know if you are interested in becoming a mentor and supporting the growth and development of new articling registrants and BCIA. *You also get PD hours for being a mentor!*

**Total BCIA Registrants: 1855**

**Total CCI Branch Registrants: 207 (11%)**

- **P.Ag: 140**
- **A.Ag: 33**
- **T.Ag: 2**
- **A.TAg: 3**
- **Retired: 18**
- **Students: 2**
- **On Leave: 10**

**Director West – Erin Sketchley, A. Ag.**

I am an Articling Agrologist and a new member of BCIA (June 2021). I have been serving as Director West since October 2021. During that time, I moved south from the small community of Atlin to Smithers. I have only been in Smithers for a few months, but it has help me connect with other BCIA members. Over the past year our executive has hosted a variety of PD events, both in-person and virtual. I did not spearhead any of the PD opportunities but I tried to assist and attend wherever possible and was open to questions from members within my region.

**Director Central – Rachael Ryder,**

Rachael promoted known PD events in her part of the Branch.

**Director South – Katie Galliazzo, P. Ag.**

I have been the Director South for the last year with the Cariboo Central Interior Branch. I have been a Professional Agrologist with the BCIA since 2020 and currently reside in Williams Lake. This past year has been different as we have moved away from the pandemic world to one where a new normal includes both virtual and in person Professional Development (PD) events. We had a few different PD sessions in the South last year and my hope is that that can grow in the coming years with new and motivated BCIA members.