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After much service to the Association, John de Ruyter stepped down from the role of VP Education in March of this year. John's contributions to the organization have been immense and he left some "big shoes" to fill. The Education Committee as a whole has done a lot of hard work, particularly since the introduction of the Building Act, to prepare our organization to fulfill our obligations. Although the work is not finished, we are in very good shape.

There were two Education Committee meetings held in the past year. John Deruyter chaired a web meeting in October of 2015 and I chaired a meeting in April of 2016. Some of the main ongoing topics of discussion have been:

1. the project of converting the ACBOA education material to the BC Building Code and the development of the level 2, 3 and 1 BOABC study sessions
2. the level 2 Plumbing study session
3. the new BCIT online codes courses
4. the development of a mentorship program
5. the development of a council education package on the role of a Building Official
6. the partnership between BC Campus and the association
7. reviewing the preliminary results of the recent member survey relating to education
8. the status of the Building Act implementation

We will be meeting at the conference and to decide on the date of our next meeting. I look forward to meeting a few of the members for the first time face to face.



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