

IAP2 BC and Yukon Chapter President's Report, November 16 2022

New board in 2022

- This year the vast majority of our Board was comprised of new members with new ideas and experiences to share
- And it has been a learning year for all of us as we build on the work from previous Boards and reimagine new ways to serve our members

How we work together

- One of the exciting developments that has come out of our planning session held earlier this year is the capacity for collaboration within working groups
- These are small groups organised around special interests identified by individuals that align with goals in our Strategic Plan
- Three working groups were formed around topics including:
 - Diversity, equity and inclusion
 - Reconciliation
 - Internal governance & processes
- Working groups meet regularly outside of monthly Board meetings to undertake initiatives within their chosen area of interest to provide programming for members and further the strategic goals of our Chapter

Overview of successes

- **Diverse, equitable and inclusive engagement event:** In June our Chapter held a free virtual session for members and facilitated by Indigenuity Consulting Group, with an opportunity to explore topics further at a follow up session in the fall.
- **Summer Social:** In August we held two concurrent in-person social events; one was held in Burnaby and the other was held in Smithers. These summer socials were free for members to attend, held in accessible locations, and provided members an opportunity to meet other P2 professionals working in their communities.
- **Decolonizing Engagement with Indigenuity:** This deeper dive virtual workshop was a continuation of the dialogue started earlier in the summer with Chapter members on how to apply an equity, diversity, inclusion and Indigenous lens to our work as engagement practitioners.

Coming up in 2023

- We are very excited for our growing momentum and we are planning some more member-focused programming in 2023, including another in-person social event with the hope of hosting in additional locations within BC and Yukon.