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Subject: Peter Finn Educational Award Fund

Eligibility Criteria

The OBOA is a self-governing, not-for-profit professional association committed to maintaining the highest degree of professionalism in the field of building inspection, code administration and building safety. As well, through its committee work, training and education services, the Association continues to promote both uniform enforcement and code interpretation across the Province. The Association is committed to maintaining a strong relationship with its current affiliations while actively pursuing other partnerships to the benefit of all members.

The OBOA is a professional educational establishment recognized by both the Federal and Provincial Governments for the delivery of courses leading to the certification of its members.

The **Peter Finn Educational Award** fund was established to provide modest recognition to students in college or university programs in building construction related programs. The fund offers a cumulative amount of up to \$ 2,000 per year upon application to the association, distributed at the discretion of the Board of Directors. The monies are redistributed by a respective educational institution to the individual or individuals of their choice. Universities and community colleges are eligible to participate in this program.

Eligibility Requirements:

Eligible candidates for the award fund must:

- be full time students in a two or three year technology, engineering or Code Administration program
- successfully complete the final year of the program
- graduate in the top 3 in their class
- demonstrate a high degree of proficiency in building code knowledge

Criteria for any association funded educational program must meet the above statements and will acknowledge outstanding participants in training programs that prepare individuals for a future in the field of Code Administration and Enforcement.

The successful candidate/s will be selected by the educational institution from individuals meeting the forgoing criteria.

Individual awards will be a minimum of \$ 300 to a maximum of \$ 500 per candidate in 'non-degree' programs and up to a maximum of \$ 750 for a 'degree' program. Any one institution may be awarded up to a maximum of \$ 1000/year. Applications for award funding for a program will be reviewed by the Immediate Past President based on a first come basis, all applications may not be approved for funding. The Immediate Past President's recommendations will be subject to Board approval.

Educational institutions desiring to participate in the Peter Finn Educational Award program will submit an application to the office of the association prior to November 1 of any year for inclusion on the Board Agenda at the November/December Board of Directors' Meeting. The application will identify the general program content, and specifically, provide detail as to Building Code content related to Code Administration and Enforcement based on the syllabi for the respective examinations, as found on MMAH's website <http://www.obc.mah.gov.on.ca>.

Educational Institutions will be informed in writing of the Board of Directors decision prior to the end of the calendar year.

Priority will be given to programs that meet all other criteria identified herein and were developed in conjunction with the Association.

Eligibility requirements will be reviewed on an annual or bi-annual basis as needed and adjusted as the Board of Directors deems appropriate.