BOMA Committees

Industry Committees

Technology Committee - actively promotes awareness among BOMA members of the changing technology environment and assists BOMA Canada in representing the interests of property owners and managers.

Education Committee - supports the membership through the provision of educational programs to address professional needs. The Education Committee liaises with BOMI Canada (Building Owners and Managers Institute) to promote BOMI's Real Property Administrator (RPA), Facilities Management Administrator (FMA), Systems Maintenance Administrator (SMA), and Systems Maintenance Technician (SMT) professional designation programs. In addition to this, through private sector partnerships, the Education Committee also supports and promotes alternative courses and programs of interest to the industry in general.

Environment and Energy Committee - supports BOMA's members and the new BOMA Go Green initiative by promoting awareness of environmental issues, providing information on good energy management practices and encouraging the adoption of energy efficient design and construction.

Government Affairs Committee - strives to represent BOMA Ottawa as a powerful and influential voice in government affairs on legislative issues impacting the commercial building industry. The GAC monitors and maintains open dialogue with municipal, provincial and federal governments and works to identify, promote and, when necessary, resolve issues affecting BOMA and its members. The GAC publicizes BOMA's position to the BOMA membership by producing written articles and position papers and encourages the support and involvement of BOMA members on the Committee as situations demand.

Security and Life Safety Committee - provides BOMA members with information relative to Security and Life Safety issues and represents BOMA through involvement with crime prevention, fire and law enforcement authorities. It assists other BOMA Committees in areas dealing with Security and Life Safety issues and maintains information/resource material that can be accessed by BOMA members.
Networking Committees

**Lunch Committee** - organizes regular networking events. Our monthly luncheon meetings and special events are designed to include keynote speakers and topics of the day that affect our everyday business, emphasizing subjects of general interest to the BOMA membership.

**Awards Committee** - works diligently to deliver an annual awards program which recognizes excellence in the commercial building industry. Its main purpose is to use this recognition and publicity to present BOMA as being organized, sophisticated, progressive and responsive to the needs of the community at large.

**Curling Committee** - serves to strengthen ties between BOMA Ottawa and IFMA (International Facilities Managers' Association) by organizing an annual Curling Funspiel, a popular networking event.

**Spring and Fall Golf Committees** - organize two extremely popular Golf Tournaments each year to enhance networking opportunities and address BOMA's commitment to the community at large. The spring tournament is typically held at Montebello and Heritage, while the fall event rotates venues annually. The main purpose of BOMA Ottawa's Golf Committees is to encourage social interaction between members, their associates, their peers and other interested parties.

**Ski Committee** - part of BOMA Ottawa's commitment to providing a variety of enjoyable networking activities, the Ski Committee organizes the BOMA Ski Club and arranges the very popular annual Ski Day event. BOMA Ottawa Members also have the opportunity to obtain discounted lift rates at local ski resorts, thanks to the efforts of the Ski Committee. In addition, the Ski Committee coordinates BOMA Ski Lessons, involving a package of lessons and lift tickets at a local ski facility.
Association Committees

**Membership Committee** - encourages and promotes membership growth by identifying key membership development components: prospecting, recruitment, orientation, involvement and retention.

**Finance Committee** - oversees BOMA Ottawa's financial and personnel management practices, ensures sound financial management processes are in place for its members, and strives to ensure adherence to BOMA's financial policies and reporting requirements.

**Marketing Committee** - meets on a monthly basis to discuss upcoming as well as current projects. The Mandate of this committee is to promote BOMA as well to attract new members, ensuring the association's continued growth and vibrancy. The committee works hand-in-hand with all other committees to collect comments and ideas for upcoming projects and when necessary lends support to other committees.

**Planning and Policy Committee** - fulfils an important role in overseeing the implementation of BOMA Ottawa's Strategic Long Range Plan and monitoring the Plan for results and modifications. The Planning and Policy Committee has a further mandate to develop and update the Policy and Procedures Manual on an ongoing basis, review the various committees' mandates and seek input from Committees and update as required. The Planning and Policy Committee has reviewed the Strategic Long Range Plan (SLRP) for compliance, clarity and status. The members of this committee will next focus their collective energy on reviewing the Policy and Procedure Manual.

**Women@BOMA** - organizes presentations and events that provide a community of shared ideas to professional women within BOMA Ottawa. Its goals are to support women in commercial real estate industry; provide an opportunity to allow women to collectively contribute through events, social media and newsletters with the goal of ultimately assisting members with further career development; participate and contribute within an event supporting BOMA’s charity of choice; facilitate an introduction to BOMA Ottawa for new members who may be seeking a peer-to-peer experience within our organization; provide a new opportunity to enrich the value of BOMA Ottawa membership.