



Key outcomes of the BCIT Board Meeting

Held 10 December 2021

- The meeting were presented with the Draft Operational Plan for 2022-23. The Draft Plan was developed through a number of stakeholder engagement forums throughout 2021. The Draft Plan proposes funding for a number of exciting new initiatives and will be presented for the Ministers review in early 2022.
- The new initiatives will branch the CTF out of its usual grant programs into opportunities that provide work readiness for a growing workforce and assist in breaking down the barriers to entry into the construction industry.
- The meeting discussed a procurement process which is currently underway for the Try A Trade and Scholarship Program. The tender process will be released in early 2022.
 The Board also discussed expanding the Try A Trade program due to it's success to include the residential sector as well as the commercial sector.
- The meeting discussed how the Construction Futures Centre could be updated to be more diverse, accessible, include more up to date technology and ensure all sectors are represented, including the resources sector.
- The meeting heard from Liam Cubbage from Mates in Construction on their plans for the future. The Board heard that MIC plan to expand their services into the regions and include a focus on the residential sector as well as suppliers and manufacturing. Whilst uptake from young people to undertake the Connector course is low, MIC aim to surround their young people by ensuring that field officers, TAFE lecturers and direct supervisors undertake the Connector course to ensure they have the skills to connect their young people to support services.
- The Board supported the CEO becoming a member of the Urban Development Institute of Australia Council.
- The Board continues to develop its governance processes by approving an updated Declared Interests policy and procedure and developing a skills matrix. A focus for 2022 is for Board members to undertake a series of training in diversity and inclusion, cultural awareness and Board training.

Approved

Board Chair

Reg Howard-Smith

Date