

ISI News

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Your first Issue

I hope this first issue of the ISI news will be the start of a valuable communication tool for ISI. Our goal is to share news related to member driven successes and provide updates on activities within the ISI office. There is no shortage of great stories to share in the months to come. Stay tuned for future editions. Help us improve by sharing your comments and stories. *Dave*

How ISI makes a difference

To respond to the question “How does ISI make a difference?” the question to be answered first is “Who is ISI?”

The current Chair of the ISI Board of Directors, Brian Jessop from Mount Saint Vincent University addressed this question in very simple and clear terms

“We are ISI”.

Describing the role of ISI in simple and clear terms is never an easy challenge. The ISI staff describe their workplace with these two sentences.

We help Atlantic Canadian universities and community colleges to work together to save money through group purchasing, and improve process through member networking.

We help other Higher Education collaboratives to achieve their goals by providing a professional and supportive business environment.

Staffing Update

As with any organization the people involved are the number one asset, and ISI is no different.

Trish Rafuse, CPPO, CPPB, PSPP, will be joining the ISI staff as the new Contracts Manager on August 28th, replacing Coralee Kirk who has moved on to join the Procure-to-Pay team at Saint Mary’s University. Trish will be joining us from the Annapolis Valley School Board and brings a wealth of public procurement experience.

In August, we will see our co-op student, **Braeden Coyle** return to Acadia University to continue his business degree. Braeden has been a tremendous asset to the organization during his term.

Conor McAndrew, a commerce co-op student from Dalhousie University, will be joining the procurement team for the fall term, providing support to Li and Trish as they strive to enhance member value through collaborative procurement.

HISS wins CAUBO Q&P Award

The Nova Scotia Higher Ed IT Shared Services program took first prize in the themed category for “Cloud Enabled Collaboration & Productivity” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mlpIGVwNPow>