



Setting the Standards for Home Energy Efficiency

RESNET® Board of Directors Executive Committee Meeting Minutes July 11, 2023

Executive Committee Members Present	Executive Committee Members Absent	RESNET® Staff Present
Philip Fairey	David Beam	Steve Baden
John Hensley	Cy Kilbourn	Clara Hedrick
Mark Johnson		Cardice Howard

Call to Order

RESNET® Board President Mark Johnson called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. Eastern Time.

Roll Call

Philip Fairey, RESNET® Board Secretary, called the roll and a quorum was present.

Approval of Meeting’s Agenda

Philip Fairey made a motion to approve the meeting agenda as amended. John Hensley seconded. The motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

RESNET® Anti-Trust Policy

Mark Johnson reminded Board Executive Committee members that the meeting is governed by RESNET®’s anti-trust policy that was included in the Board Executive Committee packet.

Approval of November 30, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Philip Fairey made a motion to approve the November 20, 2022 meeting minutes that were included in the meeting packet. John Hensley seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

RESNET® Response to HUD and Department of Agriculture Proposed IECC 2021 Requirements

RESNET® Executive Director Steve Baden reported that HUD and Department of Agriculture has initiated a comment process requiring that all mortgages with the two Departments must comply with the 2021 International Energy Conservation Standard (IECC).

The notice included the following language: “Any unit built to Energy Star, Enterprise Green Communities, LEED or the National Green Building Standard (performance path) and other regional or local standards referenced in the notice is automatically in compliance.”

Steve suggested RESNET® should submit comments on the following:

1. There is a listing of home certifications that are stated to be automatically compliant with IECC 2023 with, but it does not yet include HERS® Ratings, Net Zero Energy Ready homes, or ANSI RESNET®/ICC Standard 301. The comment would suggest including these in this compliance list in the background statement.
2. Outline and suggest the incentives offered in the Levin bill be included in the HUD and Dept of Agriculture. The HUD and Dept of Agriculture have asked for more information including average score, and the relation between HERS® scores and 2023 ICC. There are alternative ways to provide this information on the marketplace's behavior by region without releasing confidential data.

The deadline for comments has been extended to Monday, August 7th.

A ceiling score for automatic compliance could be recommended to HUD and Dept of Agriculture by region, or RESNET® can submit a comment recommending RESNET® programs be included as a whole.

The Executive Committee discussed how to proceed and potential complications. Cy and Philip would compare climate zone data and include this in the comment submitted. The Executive Committee also discussed whether to include both RESNET® HERS Ratings® and ANSI RESNET®/ICC Standard 301 or only the former. It was agreed that RESNET would only recommend the HERS® Index.

Philip Fairey moved that Steve Baden draft a comment based on this discussion to be submitted to HUD and Department of Agriculture for consideration in the Proposed IECC 2021 Requirements. John Hensley seconded the motion.

Steve to discuss this meeting's discussion with the absent members of the Executive Committee and send the draft comment to the Committee for review.

The motion passed by a voice vote.

New Business

There was no new business for the group.

Adjournment

John Hensley made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 12:23 p.m. Eastern Time.