



Setting the Standards for Home Energy Efficiency

## RESNET Board of Directors Meeting Minutes February 8, 2022

Board Members Present	Board Members Absent	Staff Present
Jim Amarin Jacob Atalla David Beam Lindsey Elton Philip Fairey Sandy Gallo Matt Gingrich David Goldstein John Hensley Kathy Howard Mark Johnson Cy Kilbourn Abe Kruger Chris McTaggart Curt Rich Brian Shanks Clayton Traylor	Emelie Cuppernell Glitch Jonathan Risch	Steve Baden Faye Berriman Emma Bennett Valerie Briggs Rick Dixon Christine Do Scott Doyle Laurel Elam Billy Giblin Cardice Howard Neal Kruis Ryan Meres

### Meeting Call to Order

RESNET Board President John Hensley called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. Pacific Time.

### Roll Call

RESNET Board Secretary Philip Fairey called the roll. A quorum was present.

### Approval of Meeting's Agenda

Jim Amarin made a motion to approve the draft agenda sent to board members prior to the meeting. Philip Fairey seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

### RESNET Anti-Trust Policy

Curt Rich reminded the RESNET Board of the RESNET Anti-Trust Policy that was sent to board members prior to the meeting.

## **Approve Minutes of January 13, 2022 RESNET Board Meeting**

Philip Fairey made a motion to approve minutes with amendments to reflect attendance by Ryan Meres. David Beam seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

## **Reconsideration of In-Person RESNET 2022 Conference – Steve Baden, Emma Bennett & Cardice Howard, RESNET staff**

Steve Baden presented to the board an analysis done with assistance by Cardice Howard, RESNET Deputy Director, and Emma Bennett, Standards and Events Manager, concerning reconsideration of the in-person RESNET 2022 Conference.

Steve stated that the analysis and recommendations presented represented a consensus of the RESNET support staff.

He stated that RESNET staff only recently became aware of a Texas executive order that made the policy on vaccinations no longer enforceable. With this Mr. Baden presented two options:

- Continue to host the in-person in conformance with Texas law without the vaccination requirement, or
- Merge the in-person event into a virtual conference.

Steve stated that it was the unanimous recommendation of RESNET staff to merge the in-person event into a virtual conference.

The reasons for the recommendation presented were:

- Because of the spread of the current variant and other reasons the registration for the in-person Conference that would take place on February 21, 2022 was the lowest ever.
- Concern over the safety of Conference attendees and RESNET staff.
- Concern over maintaining the brand of the RESNET Conference in that with the current attendance it could not be guaranteed that the in-person event would live up to the reputation of past RESNET Conferences.
- Focusing on putting on a virtual event would give staff time to produce an excellent experience with the virtual event.

Mr. Baden ended his presentation by asking for a motion in support of RESNET staff's recommendation.

David Goldstein made a motion to merge the in-person event with the virtual event. Jim Amarin seconded the motion.

A healthy discussion took place regarding the potential ramifications of reconsidering the in-person event in which good arguments were made whether or not to cancel the in-person event,

After the discussion Clayton Traylor moved to make a friendly amendment to the motion. "The in-person event will be postponed."

David Goldstein and Jim Amarin agreed to the proposal as a friendly amendment.

A roll call vote was called with the following results:

***Shall the RESNET Board postpone in the in-person event?***

<b>Yes- 11</b>	<b>No - 6</b>	<b>Abstain - 0</b>
Jim Amarin	Lindsey Elton	
Jacob Atalla	Sandy Gallo	
David Beam	Kathy Howard	
Philip Fairey	Cy Kilbourn	
Matt Gingrich	Abe Kruger	
David Goldstein	Chris McTaggart	
John Hensley		
Mark Johnson		
Curt Rich		
Brian Shanks		
Clayton Traylor		

The amended motion passed.

Clayton Traylor commented that the messaging of the decision was critical and staff had to make sure it would not be perceived as an attack on Texas or RESNET members who did not support vaccinations. A number of Board members agreed with the importance of the messaging.

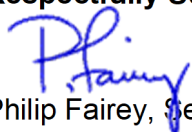
**New Business**

There was no new business to discuss.

**Meeting Adjourns**

Matt Gingrich made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1:06 p.m. Pacific Time.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

  
Philip Fairey, Secretary