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## RESNET Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

Board Members Present	Board Members Absent	Staff Present
Sandra Adomatis Jacob Atalla David Beam Erin Bordelon Lindsey Elton Philip Fairey Taylor Fearington Matt Gingrich Emelie Glitch John Hensley Ian Hughes Mark Johnson Shawn Mullins Robert Pegues Ryan Riveras	Leo Jansen Cy Kilbourn Chris McTaggart Jonathan Risch	Steve Baden Valerie Briggs Scott Doyle Laurel Elam Billy Giblin Clara Hedrick Cardice Howard Noah Kibbe Jordi Kimbrough Michael Matthews Paulette McGhie Ryan Meres Ryan Moore

### Meeting called to order

The meeting was called to order by Mark Johnson, RESNET Board President, at 3:01 p.m. Eastern.

### Introduction of New Board Members

Mark Johnson introduced the new Board members, Taylor Fearington, Shawn Mullins and Ryan Riveras. The new members provided brief introductions.

### Introduction of New RESNET Staff

RESNET Executive Director Steve Baden introduced Michael Matthews, Program Engagement Specialist, and Ryan Moore, Quality Insurance Investigations Project Manager.

## **Roll call**

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

## **Approve Meeting Agenda**

Sandra Adomatis made a motion to approve the agenda. Ian Hughes seconded the motion. The agenda was approved by a voice vote.

## **RESNET Anti-Trust Policy**

Mark Johnson reviewed the Anti-Trust Policy for the board. A copy of the policy was sent as part of the Board materials.

## **Approve Draft November 11, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes**

The draft minutes were sent to Board members prior to the meeting.

Philip Fairey made a motion to approve the minutes. David Beam seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by a voice vote.

## **Nominations for 2025 RESNET Board Officers**

Mark Johnson began by thanking the Board for their hard work and professionalism during his term as RESNET Board president.

Mark stated that that 2025 will be critical for RESNET with the following developments:

- Selection of a new RESNET Executive Director
- Legal action
- Uncertainty as a result of the 2024 elections

For these reasons RESNET needs a team that clearly understand the issues, responsibilities of RESNET Executive Director and can work well together.

He stated he found in his two years in service as the Board President he was very impressed with how well Cy, David, John and Philip work together and how seriously they take their responsibilities.

For these reasons he recommended that:

- John Hensley be nominated as the 2025 RESNET Board President
- Cy Kilbourn be nominated as the 2025 RESNET Board Vice President
- Philip Fairey be nominated as the 2025 RESNET Board Treasurer

All individuals have had long service with RESNET and expressed interest in serving.

Jacob Atalla made a motion that the following be elected as the RESNET 2025 Board Officers:

President: John Hensley  
Vice president: Cy Kilbourn  
Secretary: Philip Fairey  
Treasurer: David Beam

Sandra Adomatis seconded the motion

Mark then asked if there were if any Board members wanted to make any nominations from the floor.

No other nominations were received.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed. Lindsey Elton abstained from the vote.

John Hensley was elected as President, Cy Kilbourn was as Vice President, Philip Fairey was elected as Secretary and David Beam was elected as Treasurer.

The meeting's gavel was then passed to John Hensley as the new Board President.

John Hensley thanked Mark for his tenure and hard work. Steve Baden thanked Mark for his contributions to RESNET, specifically toward reaching the milestone of four million homes rated and creating a plan for code compliance enforcement.

## Washington Update

Steve Baden provided a briefing on the changes that could be expected by the 2024 elections.

He stated that RESNET will be largely insulated from impacts caused by policy changes as it operates independently from federal grant programs and can appeal to the new Republican administration in that RESNET contributes to the economy and does not increase regulations.

The biggest concern is the viability of the 45L tax credit for energy efficient homes. As part of the Inflation Reduction Act the credit will be a target. Steve noted the following options for how the 45L tax credit can be affected:

- A) The credit can be cut entirely.
- B) Congress can reduce the amount of credit to ease the burden on the Treasury.
- C) The period of the credit can be shortened. The Inflation Reduction Act increased the credit period to 2032 and the period could be reduced.
- D) The credit can be left as it stands.

The RESNET Board agreed that it should be RESNET's priority is to preserve the credit.

Steve stated that he will work with Carl Chidlow, RESNET's Washington Representative, on outreach to advocate for the tax credit. They will include gathering names for a letter to ranking members of the House Ways & Means Committee and the Senate Finance Committee. The letter will address the business perspective of the 45L credit and highlight the reason the credit was created. Focus will be put on the benefits of the credit for specific representatives, including how many ratings occur in their district, energy savings calculations for homeowners, and the job implications of the credit.

Steve noted the importance of RESNET making its voice heard and proving what RESNET contributes to the economy.

John emphasized that homeowners are now asking questions regarding energy and sustainability thanks to RESNET's work.

## **2025 RESNET Conference Update**

RESNET's Events Coordinator reported that the RESNET Conference team expects roughly 500 registrations. Sponsorship revenue has exceeded the projected amount by nearly \$30,000. The exhibit hall is full, and additional space is located in the hotel foyer.

The 2026 RESNET Conference will occur in San Antonio, TX from March 17<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>.

The 2027 RESNET Conference will occur in Savannah, GA from February 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>.

## **New Business**

There was no new business raised.

## **Adjournment**

Ian Hughes motioned to adjourn. Lindsey Elton seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 3:46 p.m. Eastern.

**Respectfully Submitted,**



Philip Fairey, Secretary