

# Minutes of December 18, 2018 RESNET Executive Committee Meeting

#### **Members Present**

Dave Bell Philip Fairey Matt Gingrich Roy Honican Nancy St. Hilaire

## Staff Present

Steve Baden Emma Bennett Cardice Howard Kathy Spigarelli

#### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by RESNET Board President Nancy St. Hilaire at 4:01 p.m. Eastern Time.

#### **Roll Call**

Philip Fairey called the roll of the executive committee; all members were present.

#### **Approve Agenda**

Nancy St. Hilaire called for a motion to approve the agenda. Roy Honican made the motion to approve the agenda, Dave Bell seconded the motion. Motion passes by voice vote.

#### **Reminder of RESNET Anti-Trust Policy**

Nancy St. Hilaire reviewed the RESNET Anti-Trust policy, which was sent to Executive Committee members with the notice of the meeting.

# Approve Minutes of September 27, 2018 Executive Committee Meeting (posted at <u>http://www.resnet.us/board/DraftMinutes\_RESNET-ExCom\_2018-09-27.pdf</u>)

Philip Fairey made a motion that the Minutes of September 27, 2018 Executive Committee Meeting be approved. Matt Gingrich seconded the motion. The motion was adopted by voice vote.

#### **Discussion of Loyalty and Fiduciary Duties of RESNET Board Members**

Nancy St. Hilaire reviewed the sections on duty of loyalty of Board members and potential conflict of interest from RESNET Board Policy 011 RESNET Conflict of Interest Policy that were attached to the meeting notice. Nancy St. Hilaire stated that it will be reviewed with the entire board but wanted the executive committee to first review the policy in case of any changes or comments.

Steve Baden added that if a board member discloses legal matters from a private executive session, the unauthorized disclosure by that board is not covered by RESNET's board insurance. Nancy stated that she will include that information in a summary for all board members to receive as well as discuss this at the next board meeting.

Mr. Baden also reminded that Conflict of Interest disclosures will be sent out to all board members and that each member should take it seriously.

# Discussion of Leading Raters of America Endorsement of Home Innovations Lab and RESNET as Rating Oversight Organizations

Nancy St. Hilaire reviewed the Leading Raters of America announcement that was attached to the meeting notice. Steve Baden stated that RESNET has been trying to find a definition for the Energy Rating Oversight Organization.

Mr. Baden stated that staff would be interested in adding questions to provider applications to see how a provider is associated with the LRA. Philip Fairey requested that the questions be more generic and ask providers if they are providing any other ratings through other organizations and what standards that organization operates under. Kathy Spigarelli suggested that a COI disclosure form including such questions be sent out to the providers in the new year.

Dave Bell clarified that a home energy rating oversight organization has not been selected but the programs listed were only endorsed by the LRA from their proposal. Dave stated that the announcement may have been ambiguous and misconstrued, after some discussion Steve stated that a COI disclosure statement from the four LRA providers provide clarity for all constituents.

All Executive Committee members agreed on taking this action. RESNET staff will work on constructing this form for RESNET Rating providers.

## **New Business**

Steve Baden asked for discussion from the Executive Committee on Tritonic announcement of Wrightsoft still being seen as an accredited RESNET HERS Index software. This appeared to be a trademark infringement and should be referred to RESNET's trademark lawyer.

Roy Honican requested that RESNET providers be notified of RESNETs action against this claim. Steve will consult the attorney first but agreed with the proposed action.

## **Meeting Adjournment**

Roy Honican made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m. Eastern Time.

**Respectfully Submitted** 

Philip Fairey **RESNET Board Secretary**