



Setting the Standards for
Home Energy Efficiency



Minutes of RESNET Board Meeting August 12, 2016

Members Present

David Beam
Dave Bell
Steve Byers
Brett Dillon
Philip Fairey
Matt Gingrich
David Goldstein
Andy Gordon
Roy Honican
Cardice Howard
Mark Jansen
Frank O'Brien-Bernini
Lee O'Neal
Jim Petersen
Nancy St. Hilaire
Kelly Stephens
Daran Wastchak
Barb Yankie

Members Absent

Ben Adams
Jacob Atalla

Staff Present

Steve Baden
Laurel Elam
Kathy Spigarelli

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by RESNET Board President Roy Honican at 1:02 p.m. Eastern Time.

Roll Call

The roll was called and a quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda

Kelly Stephens made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Philip Fairey seconded the motion. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Approval of July 22, 2016 RESNET Board Minutes

Daran Wastchak made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 22, 2016 RESNET Board Meeting. Barb Yankie seconded the motion. The motion was approved by voice vote. Brett Dillon abstained because he had not attended the meeting.

Election of RESNET Board Vice President

RESNET Board President, Roy Honican, nominated Nancy St. Hilaire for vice president. Andy Gordon seconded the motion.

Mr. Honican then asked for other nominations from the floor. There were no other nominations offered.

A voice vote was taken and Nancy St. Hilaire was elected. Nancy St. Hilaire abstained.

Daran Wastchak offered appreciation to Andy Gordon for his service as board vice president.

Update on Standard Action on Issues That Emerged in the 2018 IECC Code Development Hearing in Louisville

There are a number of proposals affected by RESNET amendments not being yet adopted and need to be addressed by the final hearing in October:

- **ANSI/RESNET/ICC Standard 380 Defining Duct Testing** - Steve Baden reported that the reasons for the negative vote in Louisville was permissive language in ANSI/RESNET/ICC Standard 380. The SDC 300 developed fixes to the standard that addressed the concerns. RESNET has released a written amendment that will be considered at the 2018 IECC final hearing in Kansas City in October.
- **House Size Adjustment** - Steve Baden reported that DOE testified against ANSI/RESNET/ICC Standard 302 because of a lack of a house size adjustment.
 - SDC 301 Chairman Brett Dillon reported that the SDC 300 Calculations Subcommittee conducted analysis on several house sizes and different versions of rating software tools. After the calculations subcommittee votes the amendment will be sent to the SDC 300 for authorization for public comment. The amendment should be out for public comment at the beginning of September.

- **ASHRAE Ventilation Rate** – Steve Baden reported that Joe Lstiburek testified against the ANSI/RESNET/ICC Standard 301 because it referred to the ASHRAE ventilation rate. The RESNET Board had voted an amendment on this was a priority to address various stakeholder concerns.
 - Brett Dillon reported that an amendment had been drafted and submitted to the ANSI public review and comment process. The public comment period ended on July 31 and 28 comments were received. The comment consideration was assigned to the calculations subcommittee on August 2. Philip Fairey, calculations subcommittee member, requested a working copy of the comments. Laurel Elam to send. Analysis should be conducted to evaluate the impact on the index.

- **Grading of the Installation of Insulation** – Steve Baden reported that in Louisville a proposal submitted by EnergyLogic to have an IECC requirement that insulation must be grade one was defeated because ANSI/RESNET/ICC Standard 301 does not contain a definition of Grade One Insulation. A proposal to modify the definition of rating the installation of insulation was proposed to RESNET in 2012.
 - Brett Dillon reported that RESNET/ANSI Standard 301 does contain a reference to Appendix A of the MINHRS RESNET Standards on modeling grade I insulation. There is a concern that having an ANSI standard in code refer to a proprietary standard would raise concerns in the code development process. Brett reported that the SDC 300 Enclosures Subcommittee began work on turning Appendix A, including all inspections, into standards language and adding it to chapter 8 which will require only one comment period. The plan is to reference ASTM standard for grade I insulation. Proposed change will impact the index by 13% from grade I to grade III. Committee is currently working on definitions for grade II and III. Planning to add the definitions for grade II and III to RESNET/ANSI 301 once they are approved in chapter 8.
 - Brett also reported that the original proposal from insulation industry task group in 2012 did not make it through the old technical committee. Brett said that he did not know how decisions from the technical committee were communicated back to task groups. He stated that he informed Charles Cottrell of the North American Insulation Manufacturer Association of this verbally at a RESNET Conference.

Adjournment

Philip Fairey made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m. Eastern Time.