



Meeting Logistics & Information

Date	Wednesday, January 18, 2023	Attendees
Time	9:00 AM – 11:00 PM	Betsy Ames, Mike Browne, Chris Mazzola, Mike Turns, Nick Jones, Cindy Zeis, Jonathan Harrison, Keegan Ebbets, Joe Rando, Nicole Burger, Kaitlyn Mitchell
Meeting Type	NEHERS Alliance – Board Meeting	Non-Attendees
Facilitator	Mike Browne	Special Guests
Web Link	https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/122221509	

Meeting Motions			
<i>Motion #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Movement</i>	<i>Favor/Oppose/Abstain</i>
1	To approve December minutes	Motion – Mike T Second – Joe	8/0/2
2	To approve A/P of \$3,975.00	Motion – Nick Second – Jonathan	8/0/2
3	To elect Chris Mazzola as president	Motion – Joe Second – Jonathan	10/0/0
4	To elect Cindy as vice president	Motion – Chris Second – Mike T	10/0/0
5	To elect Kaitlyn as secretary	Motion – Mike T Second – Chris	10/0/0
6	To elect Joe as treasurer	Motion – Chris Second – Mike T	10/0/0
7	To elect as Nicole embodied carbon co-chair	Motion – Mike T Second – Cindy	10/0/0
8	To elect as Mike T energy code chair	Motion – Cindy Second – Jonathan	10/0/0
9	To elect Keegan as professional development chair	Motion – Joe Second – Cindy	10/0/0
10	To elect Jonathan as QAD chair	Motion – Chris Second – Keegan	10/0/0

11	To elect Cindy as Standards chair	Motion – Mike T Second – Joe	10/0/0
12	To elect Nick as manual chair	Motion – Chris Second – Cindy	10/0/0
13	To elect Joe as Training chair	Motion – Cindy Second – Keegan	10/0/0
14	To adjourn	Motion – Mike T Second – Joe	10/0/0

Roll call:

- Executive Director: Betsy Ames
- 2022 Board: Nick Jones, Mike Browne, Joe Rando, Ben Cohen, Cindy Zeis, Jonathan Harrison, Chris Mazzolla, Mike Turns, Keegan Ebbets
- 2023 Board: Nick Jones, Joe Rando, Cindy Zeis, Jonathan Harrison, Chris Mazzolla, Mike Turns, Keegan Ebbets, Nicole Burger, Kaitlyn Mitchell
- Present (quorum = 5):
- Late:
- Absent:

WELCOME (Mike B.)

- Kaitlyn Mitchell CET
- Nicole Burger of Innova
- **Welcome new members:**
 - Kaitlyn – using High Performance building knowledge at CET, does outreach/enrollment for their HERS Raters. Very excited.
 - Nicole – excited to join, learn, and add value. Very interested in embodied carbon.
- All 2023 board members:
 - Please check your bios on website [here](#), send Betsy any updates. Please also send a photo for the website this year.
 - Please check your contact info on the Board List (attached), send Betsy any updates.
 - Was everyone able to access the [google docs link](#)?

Let Betsy know if you can't access the Google Docs link. Jonathan said they can access but not view.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- The Biennial Report will be submitted this year once our officers are elected.

Incorporated in VT. Betsy will submit the biennial report once the officers are elected.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Mike T.)

- Vote on minutes from December

❖ Mike T motion, Joe Rando seconded, unanimously approved. (2 Abstain)



TREASURER'S REPORT (*Nick*)

- Vote on AP for December

❖ **Nick motion to approve, Jonathon seconded, unanimously approved. (2 Abstain)**

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS (*Mike B.*)

Executive Committee:

- President
- VP
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Committee Chairs:

- Embodied Carbon
- Energy Codes
- Manual
- Membership and Communications (always President)
- Professional Development
- QAD
- Standards
- Training
- Confirm times for committees.

Mike B asked current office holders to explain the role, then take nominations and vote.

- ❖ **President – Joe nominates Chris, second by Jonathan. Chris accepts. Unanimously elected.**
- ❖ **Vice president – Chris nominates Cindy, Mike T second. Cindy accepts. Unanimously elected.**
- ❖ **Secretary – Mike T. nominates Nicole – declined. Mike T nominates Kaitlyn, Chris seconds, elected unanimously.**
- ❖ **Treasurer – Chris nominates Joe, Mike T second, Joe accepts, unanimously approved.**
- ❖ **Embodied Carbon Chair – Mike T nominates Nicole, Cindy seconds, Nicole accepts. Unanimously approved.**
- ❖ **Energy Codes Chair – Cindy nominates Mike T, Jonathan second, Mike accepts, unanimously elected.**
- ❖ **Manual Committee Chair –** Discussed combining training and manual committees. The manual chair should delegate section reviews to committee members. There hasn't been a big update in three years, we're due. Joe is interested and would like a co-chair. Mike B thinks it should be kept separate because training committee can't include providers, that's why it's been its own committee. It's the Training and Reference Manual. Many of our provider members use it to meet the RESNET requirement of having a manual. Cindy agrees and thinks someone who chairs the manual committee should be involved in the training committee. Joe suggested combining the Manual and Standards committees, standards changes impacts manual. Lots to discuss on Standards, not good to combine. Leaving this un-chaired?
- ❖ **Professional development chair - Joe nominates Keegan, Cindy seconds, unanimously elected**
- ❖ **QAD Chair – Chris nominates Jonathan, second by Keegan, Jonathan accepts, unanimously elected**
- ❖ **Standards Chair – Mike T nominates Cindy, Joe seconds, Cindy accepts, unanimously approved**
- ❖ **Manual Chair- Chris nominates Nick, second by Cindy, Nick accepts, unanimously approved**



- ❖ **Training committee chair – Joe nominated by Cindy, seconded by Keegan, Joe accepts, unanimously approved**

Discussed times/dates of the various committees.

- Board meeting will remain on the third Wednesday of the month from 9-11AM
- Embodied Carbon is the first Tuesday of the month at 4 PM.
- Energy Codes Mike Turns handles quarterly.
- Manual has been first Thursday at 4 PM but Betsy will touch base with Nick about what makes sense.
- Membership- no standing meeting
- Professional development – no standing meeting. Scheduled as needed.
- QAD is forth Thursdays at 9 AM.
- Standards is the second Wednesday of the month at 11 AM
- Training is the first Wednesday of the month at 3:30 PM
- Executive Committee is the second Thursday of the month at 3:30 PM
- Betsy will schedule a treasurer transition meeting between Nick and Joe.

MANUAL (Cindy)

- Reviewed history of manual, multiple sources of both funding and content for revision in 2013.
- Reviewing manual for alignment with standards. May need support from board members to review different sections.

TRAINING COMMITTEE (Joe)

- Winter 2023 Training:
 - January 16- 27, 2023
 - February 6-10, 2023
 - We have 18 full registrations, 5 left on waitlist.
- Curriculum development discussions.

STANDARDS (Cindy)

- Not much out for comment for RESNET
- No word from John Hensley on our Remote QA Proposal
- Major overhaul coming to the quality assurance field and file QA for RESNET.
- Committee for Addendum D- Insulation Grading
- Multi-Family Reduction Factor
- Modeling Heat Recovery Units
- 65 F or E - part of the verification now includes getting documentation on renewable energy credits if a PV system is installed on a home.

QAD (Jonathan)

- Didn't meet in December.



Multifamily air leakage testing, reduction factor double-counting issue

WEBINARS (Ben)

- 2023
 - January 25th: Programs webinar- 10 states
 - February ? : Steps to Becoming a Phius Rater – Bev of MassCEC
 - March 8th: Intro to Becoming a HERS Rater for High School Students
 - April:
 - May:
 - June:
 - July:
 - August: (Skip)
 - September:
 - October:
 - November:
 - December:

Had been looking at February, but needs to push it back: Minotair (tentative paid webinar) with Alex De Gagné and Joe Rando moderating. **Note from Mike B: He had a hard time getting the info out of it for modeling, if we're going to have a webinar with them, we need someone who is really technical who can make sure that they can share with us all of the details of how it should be modeled. This is a combo of a heat pump with heat recovery in which they claim a much higher COP than you might otherwise with a heat pump.**

MEMBERSHIP AND COMMUNICATIONS (Mike B)

- Year-end membership renewals in process.
10 percent discount for renewing by end of January – working on it now

ENERGY CODES (Mike T)

- **Update on 2024 IECC development, confusion in MA about stretch rollout**

EMBODIED CARBON (Chris and Nick)

- Alicia Dolce and Melissa Kops from CT Green Building Council attended our last meeting, as did Ariel Chen from KB Homes.
- RESNET Advisory Council will begin meeting this month
 - Reviewed preliminary slide deck from Chris Magwood for first meeting.
- NYSERDA grant proposal was not accepted.
- Mike B spoke with Dave Beottcher at NESEA about their decision not to include our presentation in the conference this year. There won't be a conference session as proposed, but he will do something for HERS rating community on this topic. Not sure what it will look like. Meeting room available for raters to discuss.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS/NEW ITEMS:

- If February Dates announced for next RESNET event: plan Zoom Board Dinner.



No information about dates provided by RESNET. Need to wait until they do.

FAREWELL (Chris)

- **Mike Browne**- thank you to Mike for all he does, not just for NEHERS, but for the industry as a whole. It's been a pleasure working with him and we look forward to him continuing on the Standards, QAD and Embodied Carbon committees. Mike missed getting elected to the RESNET board by a couple votes but will try again. He will be around. It's been a pleasure.
- **Ben Cohen** – thank you to Ben for his great work as professional development committee chair.
- We will miss you both!

Mike T motion to adjourn, Joe seconded, unanimously approved