

Meeting Logistics & Information

Date	Wednesday, November 21, 2023	Attendees
Time	9:00 am- 11:00am	Betsy Ames, Chris Mazzola, Kaitlyn Mitchell, Cindy Zeis, Jonathan Harrison, Keegan Ebbets, Nicole Burger, Mike Turns
		Non-Attendees
Meeting Type	NEHERS Alliance – Board Meeting	Joe Rando, Nick Jones
Facilitator	Chris Mazzola	Special Guests

Meeting Motions				
Motion #	Description	Movement	Favor/Oppose/Abstain	
1	To approve October minutes	Motion – Chris	6/0/0	
		Second – Jonathan		
2	To approve A/P of \$5,989.87	Motion – Chris	6/0/0	
		Second – Keegan		
3	To keep membership fees the same.	Motion – Jonathan	6/0/1	
		Second – Keegan		
4	To adjourn	Motion – Chris	7/0/0	
		Second – Cindy		

Roll call:

- o Executive Director: Betsy Ames
- 2023 Board: Chris Mazzola, Cindy Zeis, Joe Rando, Jonathan Harrison, Kaitlyn Mitchell, Keegan Ebbets, Nick Jones, Nicole Burger, and Mike Turns.
- o Present (quorum = 5): Kaitlyn, Keegan, Nicole, Jonathan, Chris, Cindy Zeis
- o Late: Mike Turns
- o Absent: Joe Rando, Nick Jones

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- Vote on minutes from October (Kaitlyn)
- Chris motions to approve October minutes, Jonahtan seconds. Motion passes
- Vote on AP for October (Joe)
 - Chris motions to approve AP of \$5,989.87, Keegan seconds. motion passes.



- Sponsorship Budget Update (See Financial Reports)
- In progress, currently awaiting applicants for December.
- Nominations Committee
 - o Petitioning began on November 15th and ends on November 30th
 - o Election begins on December 7th and ends on December 15th
- NEHERS Board Dinner at RESNET
 - o Debrief- how did it go? How to improve for next year?
 - O Yard & Sea is requesting feedback on Google and Facebook platforms
 - Chris- Bad weather but the staff was great, fun time. 57 people attended, and it was successful.
 - Keegan- more yard than sea
 - Next year- better coordinate with RESNET Events at the time.
 - RESNET Policy Forum in DC May 1st instead of RESNET Conference in 2024

TRAINING COMMITTEE (Joe)

- o Fall 2023 Training
 - Successful training, 18 students
 - Most students have received their certificates of completion.
 - o A few have outstanding exams.
 - Scholarship winner was offered a job as RFI by Chris.
 - Fall 2023 waitlist students –offering them the January training at the 2023 price.
- o 2024-2025 contract- Signed
 - RESNET Training Provider Renewal for 2024 Complete
- o 2024 Dates Set:
 - Winter: Online January 22 to February 2/ Classroom February 12-16
 - Registration is currently up, higher prices this year due to PSD fee increases so to break even we need at least 12 registrants.
 - o Eliminated early bird discount due to waitlist.
 - o Offering scholarship
 - Spring: Online March 18 to 29/ Classroom April 8-12
 - Summer: Online May 13 to 24/ Classroom June 3-7
 - Fall: Online October 28 to November 8/ Classroom November 18-22
- o 2024 Prices will go up from \$2595 to \$2995, without an Early Bird Discount
- o Winter 2024 training: we will be offering a scholarship again funded by NEHERS
- Stretch Code HERS 42 Course Development
 - Will deliver the series:
 - November 30: Session I
 - December 7: Session II
 - December 14: Session III
 - December 21: Session IV
 - Have not found partner for getting AIA, CSL, and BO Credits.
 - Need to pay for AIA over \$1100
 - CSL- need an CSL to do this.
 - BO Credits- no leads.
 - Mike Turns has a contact that can help with all.



- Please help publicize/ Welcome ideas for where to publicize.
- May turn into ongoing series for case studies.
- Grant: MassCEC: Equity Workforce Planning and Capacity Grants
 - o Contracting Paperwork- Complete
 - o Liability Insurance In process
 - o RFPS for Manual and Curriculum Development- Extend deadline? (We have received two)
 - Mark Newey
 - SouthFace
 - Yes extend deadline by 1 week until- given RESNET conference. Until 11/30.
 - TREMCO MOU/SOW
 - OK for MOUs to be run by exec com before approval in future.
 - O David Hutchinson (Tremco) speaking engagement request at Madison Park vocational in Boston to discuss what you do as a company or individual within this field. The presentation is typically in person. It can certainly be conversational with a couple explanatory slides. The goal would be one of our Wednesday's during our next several presentations, on 11/29 or 12/13. Or around the end of January/February.
 - Nicole and Chris would like to do it in January.
- North East Regional mini RESNET conference, like Colorado's RATER FEST
 - o Maybe we can get NESEA to help Raters get their 18 credits for continuing education.
 - o Possibility to aim for 2025, need longer lead time than we have for March 2024
 - Two specific tracks, one on ASHPs modeling and performance /design install and a 2nd on ventilation commissioning, design, load calculation and system types. On day two we would have a Rater Olympics

STANDARDS (Cindy)

Old business

- ZERH for Manufactured New Homes (currently a pilot program). Public commenting is open through August 4th. Information can be <u>found here</u>. Comments submitted and published on NEHERS site
- ENERGY STAR proposal to sunset sampling for SFNH and Townhomes as of 1/1/2025.
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QAD (Jonathan)

• No Meeting in October

WEBINARS (Keegan)

• 2023

○ January 25th: Programs webinar- 10 states

- 70 registered/ 43 attended
- Overall Survey Satisfaction 4.00/5.00



February 22: 45L Updates, Energy Star, & ZERH Overview

- 63 registered/ 43 attended
- Overall Survey Satisfaction 4.41/5.00

o March 16: Intro to Becoming a HERS Rater for High School Students

- 24 registered/ 11 attended
- Overall Survey Satisfaction 4.75/5.00

• April 26: Steps to becoming a PHIUS Verifier

- Tony Lisanti, Bev Craig, Allison Zuchman and Josh Ruedin
- 35 registered/ 16 attended
- Overall Survey Satisfaction 4.39/5.00

May: None

June 21st: RESNET: Presidential Proclamation Ending and Everything Else You Need to Know

- Laurel Elam, Valerie Briggs, Billy Giblin, Ryan Meres and Clara Hedrick
- 39 registered/20 attended
- Overall Survey Satisfaction 4.33/5.00

July 12th: The Ins and Outs of Balanced Ventilation

- Wayne Fischer Emerson Swan (PAID SPONSOR WEBINAR)
- 104 registered/70 attended
- Overall Survey Satisfaction 4.56/5.00

• July 19th Bluebeam Revu for Energy Modeling - The Basics with Cindy Zeis

- 72 registered/ 47 attended
- Overall Survey Satisfaction 4.66/5.00

August 9th: Moisture Infiltration - Mark Parlee

- 83 registered/ 46 attended
- Overall Survey Satisfaction 4.71/5.00
- September: none
- October: none

• November 1: Aeroseal (Paid Sponsorship)

- 48 registered/ 25 attended
- Overall Survey Satisfaction 4.67/5.00

o November 30: Stretch HERS 42 - Session I

- No leads on AIA, CSL or BO Credits
- o December 6th: PHIUS Checklist SF- Isaac Elnecave
- o December 7: Stretch HERS 42 Session II
- December 13th: RESNET Conference Recap and Looking Ahead to 2024 with Emma Bennett, Laurel Elam, Valerie Briggs, Scott Doyle, Billy Giblin and Steve Baden
- o December 14: Stretch HERS 42 Session III
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MEMBERSHIP AND COMMUNICATIONS (Chris)

- Do we want to raise membership dues this year or not?
- Next up- year-end renewals.
- Forums
 - ❖ Johnathan motions Keegan seconds to keep fees the same. Cindy abstains. Motion passes.

ENERGY CODES (Mike T)

How to build up group attendance- webinar on codes to promote?



EMBODIED CARBON (Nicole)

- MassCEC Proposal for \$200K for the workflow and study of 100 homes in MA
 - Contracting paperwork is in process.
 - Early next week hopefully, yay!
- Energy Services Provider Pitch Sub-Committee
 - ❖ National Grid pilot
 - Align different timelines, to benefit the National Grid Pilot, which they will be getting the funding from Mass CEC
- RESNET EC SDC1500 (Betsy) and Technical Committee (Andy and Mike B.)
 - o Technical group is Meeting but the 1500 meeting that Betsy sits on is not meeting yet.
- Rater Workflow- ongoing
 - o Andy is working on this, looking to start the 100 homes study in April.
- Speaking Opportunities: Active in November!
 - o Nov 7-8 Northeast Home Performance Conference
 - o Nov 7-10 PHIUSCON Chris, Jacob and Nicole
 - o Nov 15-17 RESNET Conference Chris
 - Nov 17 NESSBE Proposal Accepted Andy, Jacob and Nicole
 - o Mar 19-20 NESEA Boston Proposal made it to round 2 for Andy, Jacob and Nicole
 - o May 21-23, 2024 Getting to Zero Forum Proposal submitted for Andy, Jacob and Nicole
 - **Chris motions to adjourn, Cindy seconds, motion passes.**