

Meeting Logistics & Information

Date	Wednesday – December 16, 2020	Attendees
Time	9:00 – 11:00 AM	Mike Browne, Rob Salcido, Mike Turns, Joe Rando, Rich Martin, Betsy Ames, Chris Mazzola,
		Non-Attendees
Meeting Type	NEHERS Alliance – Board Meeting	Kevin Hanlon, Nick Jones, Dillon Swol
Facilitator	Mike Browne	Special Guests
Web Link	https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/122221509	

Meeting Motions				
Motion #	Description	Movement	Favor/Oppose/Abstain	
1	Approve November minutes	Mike T moved, Rob second	6/0/0	
2	To approve A/P of \$2816.78	Joe moved, Rob second	6/0/0	
3	To adjourn	Mike T moved, Joe second	6/0/0	

- Administrative Items: (Betsy)
 - o RESNET Board Election Sarah won and so did all uncontested incumbents
 - December Webinar Happening today. Emelie and Laurel stepping in for Frank whose mother passed away. Chris will announce that there will be standards updates in each webinar. Betsy – only 6 registered, please send email to your networks
 - o RESNET Dinner? Not happening this year. Kicking around idea of having a zoom call and sending care packages (e.g. wine/cheese, NEHERS wearables, mug). Typically, the dinner is a way of thanking people who have contributed, celebrate what we've done, networking. Betsy will work out logistics.
- Secretary's Report (Mike T.)
 - Approval of Minutes
 - Mike T. motion, Rob, second, approved unanimously
- Treasurer's Report (Nick)
 - Accounts Payable
 - Joe motion, Rob, second, approved unanimously



NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE (Chart Attached) Election Results – we will let everyone know

APPENDIX 1 Table showing Board election timeframe

Timing	Task	
September Board Mtg on or before October 1	Appointment of Nominations Committee; Check if Board members up for re-election want to run.	
October Board Meeting on or before November 1	Candidates are presented to Board	
on or before November 15	Candidates are presented to membership, invitation for petitioning	
November15	Email provider and programs to check who they want their voting member to be.	
November 30	Deadline for petition submittals	
on or before November 30	Appointment of at least two Inspectors of Elections to count Director ballots. By default Chair of committee and the Admin Assistant.	
on or before December 7	Membership standing of petitioned candidates is verified – get bios and statements from all candidates.	
on or before December 7	Final slate of candidates is presented to membership, voting begins	
December 15	End of voting period Nominations Chair notifies candidates	
on or before January 2n	Results of vote announced to membership	
on or before January 15	First meeting of new Board (outgoing Board members are also encouraged to participate), Officers are elected, priorities are established	

MANUAL COMMITTEE (Mike Browne)

- Infiltration volume Chart was Updated updated to match the standard
- Addendum 34 not much happening



TRAINING COMMITTEE (Joe)

- Schedule set with PSD for 2021 awarded trainings for all 2021, discussion of doing 4 trainings, leaning toward sticking with three. If we get same overall attendance, we barely break even on 4, but profit on 3. Makes a bit of a problem with no competition re: pricing, but PSD has been a great partner, we like what they have. That said, having only one trainer puts us in a tough spot because we don't have any options.
- Looking for additional training providers in order to bid on our trainings, they would have to be a training provider member. What incentive is there for training providers (manuals, webinars)? Are we stuck with only trainers located in the Northeast or could we look nationally? Other organizations that aren't direct competitors (e.g. Everblue, Dillon Group), but some of the smaller ones (e.g. Energy Logic in CO). Mike B. but aren't we then putting competition against NE-based members. Organization might not know the local landscape. I'm leery of this. Betsy shared a list of training providers and QA providers from RESNET website. Only 4 that are training + QA are Building Performance Solutions (VA, but have 13 raters in the NE, could be QA member, probably not training provider), Cornerstone (OH), EnergyLogic (CO), Tacoma Energy (OH). Longer list of QA-only providers. CLEAResult listed as a training provider but might only train internally. Mike B CLEAResut was training provider way back, were offering trainings along with CET. Would like to investigate. Five total potential training providers. Betsy it's hard to recruit right now since we already gave all the trainings to PSD, only one that could be at stake is if we do a fourth. Thinking we focus on QA provider members and then training providers next year.
- Training Committee make-up ERM is not going to renew with RESNET as a training provider, so will not be renewing as an NEHERS training provider. BER is also not renewing as NEHERS training provider but will have an employee as a member of the board. ERM is still on the RESNET site, so list is not up to date. Mike B. easy edit "...current employees, owners or contractors of RESNET Training Providers..." cannot participate in training committee. Betsy updated language in real time.
 - Proposed language: "Trainings are central to the purpose of the NEHERS Alliance and the
 training committee is responsible for the oversight and management of all rater training activities.
 It is for that reason, that we expect ALL board members to participate on the Training
 Committee, unless they are current employees, owners or contractors of current or former
 RESNET Training Providers. In that case, we ask those board members to not participate in the
 training committee due to potential conflicts of interest."
 - **❖** Motion to approve new language by Chris, second by Joe, 6/0/0

STANDARDS (Kevin and Rob)

- Meeting postponed from 12-9 nothing was produced or came our way. Behind the scenes...with the release of 310 a lot of discussion around consistency, standard didn't cover all possibilities (open to interpretations), one provider found results that were inconsistent with how it was supposed to work, Grade III HVAC equipment capacity changed to be undersized, not going to be required in software until April.
- Addendum 55I to 301-2019 all relating to 310 findings/fixes from software consistency committee. Has quite a few changes, will take a while to peruse and understand. Rob is happy to help out when



those come out. NREL did a test and found that Grade III would improve HERS index by one point, another test could increase more in warmer climates, refrigerant charge and fan power issues. If this continues to be a rabbit hole, maybe we need to simplify to a linear correlation. Mike B. get Mark Newey involved.

- Possible agenda items:
 - HERS Indices
 - o PDS-01 of RESNET 301-2022 55I will be integrated

WEBINARS (Rich and Chris)

- January 8th-PACENation
- February 19th-HERS Index Consistency Issue-Rob Salcido
- March-Energy Codes Webinar- Mike Turns
- April 10th: Covid-19 Panel Discussion: Challenges and Opportunities
- May 27th- Exploring Ductless Splits & Heat Pumps Emerson Swan & Eversource
- July 15th House Rater (promotional)
- August-26th- Aerobarrier- Jason Taylor- air sealer/deck spray foam. Russ McPhearson
- September-9th- Ventilation and Covid-19- Barry Stephens
- October 14th-Triple Decker Challenge
- October 21st Passive Building and PHIUS + Certification with Lisa White of PHIUS
- November 18th- RESNET Roundtable-with Billy Giblin, Scott Doyle, Laurel Elam, and more!
- December 16th- Rater's Unexpected Journey- To Pandemic and Back Again Emelie, Laurel, Tony Lisanti, Mike B panel on lessons learned from past year. Might not be full length webinar.
- Not sure what we're doing for January or February.
- Introduce the standards updates at the December webinar. Note that ANSI standard is changing.

MEMBERSHIP AND COMMUNICATIONS (Mike B)

- Current Members:
 - o Providers have been contacted to update their raters so invoices can be issued.
 - o Programs- paperwork in process
 - JMC paperwork is signed by Mike and sent out- follow-up as needed.
 - Eversource asking for \$1000 for each of 3 states.
 - Sponsors- paperwork in process AirCycler is renewing, expect NHEC to renew
 - o BER Raters- will contact at beginning of the year.
- Prospective members: Review Lists.
- Betsy and Mike doing additional recruiting

ENERGY CODES (Mike T)

- PA Energy Codes Hearings
- Mike described MA proposals for existing buildings and intent to collect



- ICC considering making IECC a standard, Rob Mike Pfeiffer meetings, federal preemption of state equipment efficiency standards is also a topic,
- Consider making this committee more like the standards committee, participate in IECC process, maybe state processes
- Motion to adjourn by Mike T, Joe second, unanimous 6/0/0