



Meeting Logistics & Information

Date	Wednesday, February 21 st , 2024	Attendees
Time	9:00am- 11:00am	Betsy Ames, Cindy Zeis, Joe Rando, Jonathan Harrison, Nicole Burger, and Mike Turns, Mike Browne, Kaitlyn Mitchell, Joel Martell, Keegan Ebbets (late)
Meeting Type	NEHERS Alliance – Board Meeting	Non-Attendees
Facilitator	Cindy Zeis	

Meeting Motions			
<i>Motion #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Movement</i>	<i>Favor/Oppose/Abstain</i>
1	To approve January minutes	Motion – Joe Second – Mike Turns	7/0/0
2	To approve AP for \$15,641.60.	Motion – Joe Second – Cindy	7/0/0
3	To appoint Arthur Pakatar to Mike T seat on the board and as the Chair of the Energy Code committee.	Motion – Mike Second – Joe	8/0/1
4	To adjourn.	Motion – Mike B Second – Joe	9/0/0

Roll call:

- Executive Director: Betsy Ames
- 2024 Board: Mike Browne, Nicole Burger, Keegan Ebbets, Jonathan Harrison, Joel Martell, Kaitlyn Mitchell, Joe Rando, Mike Turns, and Cindy Zeis
- New Board Members:
- Present (quorum = 5): Joe Rando, Cindy Zeis, Nicole Burger, Joel Martell, Mike Turns, Mike Browne, Kaitlyn Mitchell
- Late: Keegan Ebbets, Jonathan Harrison
- Absent:

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- Vote on minutes from January (Kaitlyn)
 - ❖ Joe motions to Approve January minutes. Mike T seconds. Motion passes unanimously.
- Vote on AP for January (Joe)
 - ❖ Total Joe motions to approve AP of \$15,641.60, Cindy seconds. All in favor, unanimously.
- Vote on Replacement for Mike Turns (resume attached for Arthur Pakatar)
 - ❖ Mike Turns motions to appoint Art to Mike T seat on the board and as the Chair of the Energy code committee, Joe SECONDS. Cindy abstains.

TRAINING COMMITTEE (Joe)

- Winter 2024 Training was a huge success.
 - 70.5% pass rate on exams.
 - Liked the training venue in Worcester, could use it also as a field house.
 - Feedback- great vicinity for training
 - Hoping to lock down Worcester site for next training.
- Spring 2024
 - Need training site – attempting to get Worcester again.
 - We have 9 registered, need 12 to break even.
 - Early Bird Discount Added: February 26th (3 weeks before) \$2995.
 - Scholarship Deadline: February 28th by 5PM
 - Next TC Meeting is Thursday, Feb 29th 3:00 PM
 - Final Registration Deadline: March 4th (two weeks before) \$3295
 - Class Begins: March 18
- Implementation Grant submitted January 19th for \$1.2 Million.
 - MassCEC requested that they be able to count the application towards their climate critical grant as well, for up to an additional \$800,000.
- April 2024 Mentorship Pilot Project for RFIs and Modelers
 - Website is built out. The application form is set up.
 - Publicity is out for:
 - Program participants.
 - Employer partners
 - Mentors
 - Technical Advisor (part-time, 5 hours a week for 3 months) job listing
 - <https://nehers.org/job?NewsID=195>
 - Please help us get the word out!

STANDARDS (Cindy)

- Meeting canceled for February
- February 9, 2024 - Comments on [ENERGY STAR QAQC Enhancements](#)

QAD (Jonathan)

- Met on January 25th to discuss the Energy Star item above.

WEBINARS (Keegan)

- 2023
 - ~~January 24th: Timber HP (Sponsor)~~
 - February 21st: (Skip)
 - March 13th: Electrification and the 1,000,000 Home Challenge – Revisited - Mike Duclos
 - April 10th: PHIUS Prescriptive Path - Isaac Elnecave and Tony Lisanti
 - May 8th: Cindy- Standards, Making Your Voice Heard (Title- TBD)
 - June 12th: PHIUS Multi-Family - Isaac Elnecave and Tony Lisanti
 - July:
 - August: (skip)
 - September:
 - October:
 - November:
 - December:

MEMBERSHIP AND COMMUNICATIONS (Cindy)

- Year-end renewals – Providers are done, working on independent contractors.
 - Providers are done, still working on Independent Raters. Fair amount of sponsors this year.

ENERGY CODES (Mike T)

- Electing a new chair and continuation of committee without Mike T.
- Ongoing 2024 IECC Appeals Process
 - Controversy after they extended deadline 4 gas companies submitted appeals through ICC consensus committee.

EMBODIED CARBON (Nicole)

- Funding for Software Integration/Workflow
 - MassCEC Grant Paperwork is signed.
 - Working on MOU/SOWs Ekotrope, Stephens and Company, BEAM, NMR
 - Early invoices need deliverables from Ekotrope and BEAM.
 - Promotion of the MassCEC initiative thru NEHERS
 - We'd like multiple companies represented.
 - Materials Embodied Carbon Workflow – Status Update – Andy
 - NMR Meeting February 14th 10 AM
 - Preliminary discussion of what's needed for reporting.
- RESNET Items:
 - Standard Development Committee – update (Chris Magwood)

- Technical Sub-Committee – update (Chris Magwood)
- Mass Save Embodied Carbon Energy Services Provider Pitch
 - Switching from bi-weekly meetings to as needed because embodied carbon incentives have officially been added to the PA's plans for the next iteration of the Mass Save program.
 - **They are working on including it in a draft plan, could be a long time before a final ruling.**
- Speaking Opportunities:
 - 2024:
 - **February 13-14** Clean Energy for Homes Conference & Trade Show- Saratoga Springs, NY (missed the proposal deadline)
 - **February 29- March 1** [NYS Green Building Conference](#).
 - **March 19-20-** NESEA- Boston – Accepted, "The Carbon Trifecta: Embracing Equity and the Zero Carbon Community".
 - **May 1-2, 2024** RESNET Policy Forum in DC
 - <https://www.resnet.us/2024-policy-forum/>
 - **May 21-23, 2024** Getting to Zero Forum in Charlotte - Andy
 - <https://gettingtozeroforum.org/about-the-forum/>
 - Proposal Submitted
 - Andy sent email 1/3 to add Jacob
 - Reilly Loveland reilly@newbuildings.org proposals are being reviewed, they will be in touch.
 - They will be announcing the 13th should know next week.
 - **June 20-21, 2024** CLF Boston, EC Summit, (tentatively)
 - **October 1-3, 2024** EBBA – Utah- Magwood is going.
 - **Submissions due March 1, 2024**
 - **November 12-15, 2024** Greenbuild, – **Philly PA**
 - **Submissions due Feb 23, 2024**
 - Boston Society of Architects (BSA) – (Chris- Fall 2023 or 2024)
 - Synonymous with CLF-Boston.
 - Building Performance Association Session – Andy?
 - Boston Architectural College- Nicole
 - MF Peer-To-Peer Network (monthly)- Nicole

❖ **Mike Browne motions to adjourn, Joe seconds, motion passes.**