



Meeting Logistics & Information

Date	Wednesday, June 26, 2024	Attendees
Time	9:00am- 11:00am	Betsy Ames, Keegan Ebbets, Joe Rando, Jonathan Harrison, Michael Rossi, Mike Browne, Nicole Burger, Kaitlyn Mitchell
		Non-Attendees
Meeting Type	NEHERS Alliance – Board Meeting	Cindy Zeis, Joel Martell
Facilitator	Betsy Ames/ Nicole Burger	

Meeting Motions			
<i>Motion #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Movement</i>	<i>Favor/Oppose/Abstain</i>
1	Motion to approve May minutes	Motion – Keegan Second – Mike Browne	7/0/0
2	Motion to approve Lindzie and Betsy’s pay up to 40 hours for bi-weekly pay.	Motion – Jonathan Second – Keegan	7/0/0
3	Motion to approve Nicole as Chair of Mentorship Program Development.	Motion – Joe Second – Mike Browne	7/0/0
4	6-13-24 Executive Committee approved a \$3000 advance on Lindzie’s May invoice at Executive Committee Meeting	Motion – N/A Second – N/A	0/0/0
5	Motion to approve AP of \$67,575.86	Motion – Joe Second – Keegan	6/0/1
6	Motion to offer Tim 8 federal with 3 floating holidays.	Motion – Joe Second – Nicole	7/0/0
7	Motion to adjourn.	Motion – Joe Second – Nicole	7/0/0

Roll call:

- Executive Director: Betsy Ames
- 2024 Board: Mike Browne, Nicole Burger, Keegan Ebbets, Jonathan Harrison, Joel Martell, Kaitlyn Mitchell, Joe Rando, Michael Rossi, and Cindy Zeis
- New Board Members:

- Present (quorum = 5): Kaitlyn Mitchell, Keegan Ebbets, Joe Rando, Jonathan Harrison, Michael Rossi, Mike Browne, Nicole Burger
- Late:
- Absent: Cindy Zeis, Joel Martell

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- Vote on minutes from May (Kaitlyn)
 - ❖ Keegan motions to approve Mike Browne seconds passes 7/7
- Update: SERRA is issuing payroll on a bi-weekly basis as of June 1.
 - Vote on board approval for Lindzie and Betsy's pay up to 40 hours each week, without voting by email every two weeks.
 - ❖ Jonathan motions Keegan seconds all in favor passes 7/7
- Vote on creating a new committee to oversee Mentorship Program Development which can include trainers
 - ❖ Joe motions to approve Nicole as chair, Mike Browne seconds, all in favor 7/7
- Vote on AP for May (Joe)
 - ❖ 5-13-24 Executive Committee approved a \$3000 advance on Lindzie's May invoice.
 - ❖ JOE motions to approve AP of \$67,575.86 Keegan seconds, Micheal Rossi abstains. 6/7.

INTERVIEW COMMITTEE (Joe)

- ❖ Update on Technical Director search.
 - NEHERS Policy on paying for Federal Holidays
 - ❖ Joe motions to offer 8 federal with 2 floating , Nicole seconds, all in favor 7/7
 - New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, ~~Washington's Birthday~~, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day, ~~Columbus Day (Indigenous People's Day)~~, ~~Veteran's Day~~, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.
- ❖ MassCEC approved two changes in the grant:
 - 1) We do not have to deliver a live training for the fall RFI program, can use recordings
 - 2) We can push the curriculum deliverable dates back about 6 months.

TRAINING COMMITTEE (Joe)

- Implementation Grant
 - Still do not have the final contract.
 - We now have the "go/no go" dates in the preliminary contract.
 - If no TD, Sharla can be the "guest expert" for the last half hour of each class in the fall, so we can do it with recorded modules again, if approved by MassCEC.
- Technical Director Search (as discussed at Training Committee before we had a new candidate):
 - Call with Sharla on 6/10
 - Call with New Ecology on 6/11
 - Even if we divide up the responsibilities for this position, we still need a point person who can consistently oversee technical aspects of program development.
 - Manual
 - Curriculum Development (RFI, Modeler, Rater, Trainer)
 - Partnership Development
 - Training Delivery



- Summer 2024 HERS Rater Training (Online: May 13-24 & Field: June 3-7)
 - We had 13 registered – two dropped out
- Fall 2024 HERS Rater Training (Online: October 28 - Nov 8 & Field: November 18-22)
 - Site will be Worcester
 - There will be up to 5 mentorship slots for this training (for people in MA)
 - We'll also offer 1 scholarship slot paid for by NEHERS (for people outside of MA)
- April 2024 Mentorship Pilot Project for RFIs and Modelers
 - 3 RFI and 1 Modeler will complete the program now.
 - 2 students transferred to the fall
 - 4 students dropped out
 - Aiming to have RFI Graded Field Evaluation on June 29th.

STANDARDS (Cindy) – **TABLED**

ANSI Standards:

- [Draft PDS-01, RESNET/ICC 850-202x Update \(Comment opens May 31, 2024\)](#) – ends July 15
 - Calculation and Labeling of the Water Use Performance of Dwelling and Sleeping Units. Includes additions for multifamily dwelling and sleeping units, gray water reuse for toilet flushing, and revisions to outdoor water use and additional requirements for sampled ratings.
- [Draft PDS-01, RESNET/ICC 301-2022 Addendum D-202x \(Opens TBD\)](#) – pending final copy of changes.
- [Draft PDS-02, RESNET/ICC 301-2022 Update Addendum C-202x \(Comment opens May 3, 2024\)](#) – ends June 17
 - Battery storage (single charge-discharge cycle)
 - AHRI Standard 210/240
 - Roof shapes
 - Internal shade coefficient
- [Draft PDS-01, RESNET/ICC 301-2022 Update Addendum F-202x \(Comment opens May 3, 2024\)](#) – ends June 17
 - Heat Pump Water Heater – split and packaged systems
 - Space requirements for non-ducted HPWHs

MINHERS:

- [Draft PDS-01, MINHERS Addendum 78f, Single Family Sampling \(Opens June 12, 2024\)](#) – ends July 12
 - Sampling – primarily language cleanup
- From Mike Browne after the meeting: For Future discussion:

- MF dwelling units with Exhaust only systems are now derated in the HERS Index by using a minimum Air change rate of 0.30 ACH. The rationale seems to be that we don't know where the air comes from entirely, and this limit is applied for all multifamily dwelling units with Aext <0.5.

QAD (Jonathan)

- No meeting in May, next meeting is June 27th

WEBINARS (Keegan)

Are there any board members who are willing to either give a webinar or help find a webinar for November and December?

- 2023
 - ~~January 24th: Timber HP (Sponsor)~~
 - Registered: 37/ Attended: 18 Overall Satisfaction: 4.78/5
 - ~~February 21st: (Skip)~~
 - ~~March 13th: Electrification in MA — the 1,000,000 Home Challenge Revisited — Mike Ducloux~~
 - Registered: 34/ Attended: 20 Overall Satisfaction: 4.79/5
 - ~~April 10th: PHIUS Prescriptive Path — Isaac Elnecave and Tony Lisanti~~
 - Registered: 36/ Attended: 19 Overall Satisfaction: 4.71/5
 - ~~May 8th: Your Voice Matters — Cindy Zeis~~
 - Registered: 12/ Attended: 4 Overall Satisfaction: 5/5
 - **June:** (skip)
 - **July 16:** Energy Star SF v3.2 and NextGen for the Mass Save workforce development program on July 16th – co-sponsor?
 - **July 17:** PHIUS Multi-Family - Isaac Elnecave and Tony Lisanti
 - **August:** Stretch HERS 42/45 Roundtable? Challenges and successes?
 - **September:** Retrotec
 - **October 9:** Energy Codes – Michael Rossi
 - **November:** **Mike Browne- Ventilation measurement and Incentive Central Ventilation Duct Leakage for ENERGY STAR**
 - **December:**

MEMBERSHIP AND COMMUNICATIONS (Cindy)

- Next up – Half-off membership in July.

ENERGY CODES (Michael R.)

- Next meeting will be on July 9th and the topic of discussion will be the upcoming webinar for October.
- Additionally, the HERS Index requirement for the Massachusetts Stretch Code moves from a 52 to a 42 (mixed fuel) or 45 (all electric) on July 1st.
- The National Energy Codes Collaborative is free of charge to join. Michael is on their mailing list and plans to attend future meetings.



EMBODIED CARBON (Nicole)

- No meeting in June
 - Andy is focused on the workflow
 - MOU/ SOWs: Attorney fees were too high for it to make sense to have them reviewed. They have all been signed.
 - Next up- software integration is expected to be complete by August 1st and then we can begin training raters for the 100-home study.
- ❖ Joe motions to adjourn meeting Nicole seconds meeting adjourned 7/7.