



Setting the Standards for Home Energy Efficiency

RESNET® Board of Directors Executive Committee Meeting Minutes August 15, 2023

Board Members Present	Board Members Absent	Staff Present
Philip Fairey John Hensley Mark Johnson Cy Kilbourn	David Beam	Steve Baden Clara Hedrick Cardice Howard

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by RESNET® Board President Mark Johnson at 12:33 p.m. Eastern Time.

Roll Call

Philip Fairey, RESNET® Board Secretary, called the roll and a quorum was present.

Approval of Meeting’s Agenda

John Hensley made a motion to approve the meeting agenda as amended. Philip Fairey seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

RESNET® Anti-Trust Policy

Mark Johnson reminded Executive Committee members of RESNET®’s anti-trust policy that was included in the Executive Committee meeting packet.

Approval of July 11th, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Philip Fairey made a motion to approve the July 7, 2023 meeting minutes that were included in the meeting packet. John Hensley seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

RESNET® 2024 Budget Submission

Steve Baden reviewed the Board briefing paper that was attached with the meeting packet. The submission included a proposal to increase registry fees by \$1 to account for inflation and the extra measures to be taken by RESNET to keep up with increasing QA demand relating to ESG Reporting and EPA requirements.

Mr. Baden stated that the following factors were involved in the proposed increase:

- Registry fees have not been increased since 2016 and inflation has increased costs across the board.
- There is a need for a new program manager position to help implement the initiatives that the RESNET® is voting to adopt.

- There is a need for a new quality assurance position with the increased concern of quality control and assurance with the new 45L federal tax credit

Steve stated that the proposal did not include the specific costs to implement the EPA outline of new ENERGY STAR quality assurance and control procedures for HCOs. He suggested that this issue would be brought separately to the RESNET® Board once it is clear what EPA will be requiring.

Steve Baden also shared that Cardice and he addressed this with RESNET® Board Treasurer David Beam and he expressed his support of the proposed budget submission.

The Executive Committee deliberated on this item.

The Board Executive Committee also discussed introducing a new fee specifically for EPA certifications only applying to homes seeking ENERGY STAR certification. Philip Fairey and John Hensley are in favor of this route.

The committee suggested adding more clarifying language to section III of the briefing paper before presentation to the full board. Mark Johnson suggested also detailing the national inflation rates of the past 7 years as an important factor in increasing fees.

The committee also discussed how to remain competitive with pricing and suggested researching other organization's costs.

Cardice Howard shared some of the other increases in the current budget and committed to outlining all changes to the budget in greater detail to the RESNET Board.

John Hensley moved that the RESNET® Board Executive recommend to the full RESNET Board the budget request with a modified cover memo and budget lines to be presented to the full board of directors. Philip Fairey seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

New Business


Mark Johnson shared that the ICC/RESNET Embodied Carbon Committee (SDC1550) has determined it's committee positions and will share that information with RESNET Staff. Members can also be added after the committee is established and there is particular interest in finding participation from ASHRAE.

Mark and Philip discussed current ASHRAE standards in which foreign countries are participating and RESNET's role in this.

Adjournment

Philip made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m. Eastern Time.

Respectfully Submitted,


Philip Fairey, Secretary