TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL MEETING
Winter Conference, Orlando, FL
Wednesday, January 27, 2016

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jim Vallort called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and asked Vice Chair, Pat Graef, to track the Action Items during the meeting. Mr. Vallort asked for any changes to the agenda. There being none, the agenda was accepted as presented.

Secretary’s Note: Quorum was met with 9 voting members, plus the chair.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Dave Conover and seconded by John Harrod that the:

M1 Minutes of the October 19, 2015 TechC Weekend meeting be approved as distributed.

MOTION 1 PASSED. Vote: 9-0-0, CNV

3. GRASSROOTS GOVERNMENT ADVOCACY COMMITTEE (GGAC) UPDATE

Mark Ames and Jim Scarborough from the ASHRAE DC office presented a report on the current activities of GGAC.
4. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Technical Activities (04B)

Chair Tom Lawrence gave an update to the council on TAC activities.

B. Standards (04A)

It was moved by Eckhard Groll and seconded by Dave Conover that:

M2 Technology Council approved the following consent motions 1-44 as they have no unresolved commenters and no negative votes for publication approval from the project committee or Standards Committee

1. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE Addendum u (adds zeotropic refrigerant blend R-407G) to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 34-2013, Designation and Safety Classification of Refrigerants, be approved for immediate publication.

BACKGROUND: Updates to code-intended standards are normally published at 18-month intervals. However, some situations warrant a different publication schedule. Recognizing this, Standards Committee passed a motion that would allow SSPC 34 to request immediate publication of addenda regarding the addition of new refrigerants in order to reach the market sooner.

2. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE Addendum v (adds zeotropic refrigerant blend R-455A) to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 34-2013, Designation and Safety Classification of Refrigerants, be approved for immediate publication.

BACKGROUND: Updates to code-intended standards are normally published at 18-month intervals. However, some situations warrant a different publication schedule. Recognizing this, Standards Committee passed a motion that would allow SSPC 34 to request immediate publication of addenda regarding the addition of new refrigerants in order to reach the market sooner.

3. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE Addendum x (revises R-744 data) to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 34-2013, Designation and Safety Classification of Refrigerants, be approved for immediate publication.

BACKGROUND: Updates to code-intended standards are normally published at 18-month intervals. However, some situations warrant a different publication schedule. Recognizing this, Standards Committee passed a motion that would allow SSPC 34 to request immediate publication of addenda regarding the addition of new refrigerants in order to reach the market sooner.

4. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE Addendum f (updates the normative references) to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.1-2013 Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality, be approved for publication.

5. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE Addendum g (deletes an exception for cleaning coils that are difficult to clean) to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.1-2013 Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality, be approved for publication.
6. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE Addendum o (replaces references to whole-building or whole-house with dwelling unit) to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.2-2013, Ventilation and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality in Low-Rise Residential Buildings, be approved for publication.

7. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE Addendum p (clarifies the requirement that fans have at least one speed setting where the zone rating is 3 or less) to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.2-2013, Ventilation and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality in Low-Rise Residential Buildings, be approved for publication.

8. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE Addendum r (provides guidance on where ventilation system airflow measurements can be taken) to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.2-2013, Ventilation and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality in Low-Rise Residential Buildings, be approved for publication.

9. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE Addendum w (updates the normative references) to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.2-2013, Ventilation and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality in Low-Rise Residential Buildings, be approved for publication.


31. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE/IES Addendum br (Mechanical Climate Zone 0 criteria) to ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2013, Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, be approved for publication.


41. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE/USGBC/IES Addendum a (clarifies the location of a CO2 sensor to determine the outdoor air concentration) to ANSI/ASHRAE/USGBC/IES 189.1-2014, Standard for the Design of High-Performance Green Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, be approved for publication.

42. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE/USGBC/IES Addendum d (corrects and clarifies that Standard 90.1, Table 9.6.3, control factors can be used to help meet the lighting power density requirements of Standard 189.1) to ANSI/ASHRAE/USGBC/IES Standard 189.1-2014, Standard for the Design of High-Performance Green Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, be approved for publication.

43. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE/USGBC/IES Addendum e (creates new Section 7.4.6.1.1(d) to provide control credits for institutional tuning that are in addition to the control factors that already exist in Standard 90.1-2013, Section 9.6.3) to ANSI/ASHRAE/USGBC/IES Standard 189.1-2014, Standard for the Design of High-Performance Green Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, be approved for publication.
44. Standards Committee recommends that BSR/ASHRAE/USGBC/IES Addendum g (provides a higher level of indoor moisture control than is currently required by reference to Standard 62.1) to ANSI/ASHRAE/USGBC/IES Standard 189.1-2014, Standard for the Design of High-Performance Green Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, be approved for publication.

MOTION 2 PASSED: Vote: 9-0-0, CNV

Chair Doug Reindl reviewed the Standards Committee report information items with the Council, specifically highlighting the following item:

At the PC Chair’s Breakfast, Chip Barnaby presented on a new product on the ASHRAE site that allows open access to ASHRAE Standards Definitions and Data that would allow for automation (XML schema, data format definitions) and for users (forms, templates). This is data.ashrae.org. There are samples for Guideline 12 and Standard 90.1 forms. Now that the test site is up, policies and procedures need to be developed for content approval and security. Standards Committee believes this effort should be led by a Tech Council Ad Hoc with input from the Electronic Communications Committee (ECC) and Pub Ed Council.

AI#1: Jim Vallort to request an ad hoc or appropriate group be formed to develop policies required for managing data to support standards including machine-readable data, definitions, or other information and other ASHRAE products. It is recommended that the chair be Chip Barnaby. More members have expressed an interest to be a part of the committee.

C. Environmental Health Committee (EHC) (04C)

Chair Zuraimi Sultan updated the Council on EHC activities.

D. Refrigeration Committee (04D)

Chair Matt Ritter updated the Council on REF activities.

E. Research Administration Committee (04E)

Chair Carl Huber updated the Council on RAC activities.

5. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Operations Subcommittee (05A)

It was moved by John Harrod and seconded by Pat Graef that the:

M3 Technology Council refer the following innovative item request on dual units to Pub Ed Council for consideration: “ASHRAE Journal should include dual units for all articles to assure accessibility to international members”.

Background: The current rules read that articles should use IP or SI or dual units.

MOTION 3 PASSED: Vote: 5-4\(^1\)-0, CNV

AI#2: Jim Vallort to discuss with Chuck Gulledge the process of ASHRAE Journal articles including dual units for all articles to assure accessibility to international members.

\(^{1}\) Eckhard Groll, John Harrod and Jaap Hogeling felt that SI should be the norm.
In Mike Burgess’s absence, John Harrod (acting OPS chair) gave an update on the Innovative Items spreadsheet to the council.

AI#3: Jim Vallort to compose a letter to YEA regarding integration of a YEA member into Tech Council.

B. Special Projects Subcommittee (05B)

It was moved by Eckhard Groll that:

M4 Technology Council commit a maximum of $80K (100% of the $80 estimated budget) for the FY 2016-17 budget for the development of a Standard 90.1-2016 User’s Manual.

Background: Standard 90.1-2016 will publish in October of this year and the User’s Manual needs to be updated to reflect the changes in the standard. The motion to initiate this special project was approved by Special Projects Subcommittee by voice vote, 4-0-1 CNV. (Dave Conover abstained due to possible conflict of interest because one of the PMS members is a co-worker and because he is a PNNL employee and DOE funding may be solicited.)

Fiscal Impact: Outside funding has become increasingly difficult to obtain, but co-funding will still be solicited to offset as much of the cost as possible.

MOTION 4 PASSED: Vote: 8-0-1^2, CNV

C. Document Review Subcommittee (DRSC) (05C)

It was moved by Pat Graef that:

M5 Technology Council recommends to BOD ExCom that they authorize a revision of the Environmental Tobacco Smoke (ETS) Position Document (PD).

Background: The proposed title, purpose and scope (TPS) is included as Attachment 05C-1. The current PD (Attachment 05C-2) expires June 25, 2016. The revision would allow the PD to conform to the latest ASHRAE PD template, update references, and include some editorial changes. EHC has identified Larry Schoen as a possible chair of a PD committee with Costas Balaras, Lan Chi Weekes, Kevin Kennedy, and Andy Persily as possible PD committee members.

MOTION 5 PASSED: Vote: 9-0-0, CNV

It was moved by Pat Graef that:

M6 Technology Council reaffirm the Limiting Indoor Mold Growth and Dampness in Buildings Systems PD.

Background: The current PD (Attachment 05C-3) expires January 29, 2016. Co-cognizant committee (TC 1.12) voted unanimously to reaffirm the PD as well. This PD does conform to the current ASHRAE PD template. EHC anticipates a revision may be appropriate at the conclusion of the work of the MTG.BD-Building Dampness to develop a definition or description of a damp building.

MOTION 6 PASSED: Vote: 9-0-0 CNV

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Jim Vallort/Dave Conover assign a subcommittee to write a method to control or disclaim document content posted on TC and PC Websites to ensure adherence to ASHRAE policies and positions.

10 minute break 10:47-10:57

6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (cont.)

A. Technical Activities Committee (TAC)

It was moved by Ben Leppard and seconded by Eckhard Groll that:

M7 Technology Council recommend to the Board of Directors that a Presidential Ad Hoc Committee be established in order to increase ASHRAE’s presence and influence in refrigeration.

**Background:** There are problems getting enough people involved in the refrigeration area and getting the expertise to update Handbook and other documents. The motion passed unanimously in TAC. Some sister societies have had success addressing this issue. The ad hoc may wish to look to those societies for ideas and suggestions.

**MOTION 7 PASSED: Vote: 9-0-0, CNV**

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Pat Graef and seconded by John Harrod that:

M8 Research project 1649-TRP, IAQ and Energy Implications of High Efficiency Filters in Residential Buildings, be awarded to the University of Toronto for a period of 24 months at a total cost to ASHRAE of $180,215.

**MOTION PASSED.**

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**MOTION PASSED.**

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**MOTION PASSED.**
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**MOTION PASSED.**

8. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (cont.)**

A. **Residential (04E)**

It was moved by Dave Conover and seconded by John Harrod that the:

**M13** Technology Council approve $5000 for the Residential Building Committee (RBC) budget to fund travel expenses for highly qualified speakers for ASHRAE Society meeting technical programs with hardship situations who do not traditionally attend ASHRAE meetings.

**Background:** Candidates for this travel funding would be selected by the RBC. An example of an appropriate candidate would be California Energy Commission staff who are unable to get funding to travel out of state. This would be a standing budget item for five years and would likely cover about three speakers per year. The motion was approved by Residential Building Committee, 10-0-1 CNV

**Fiscal Impact:** $5000.

**MOTION 13 PASSED: Vote: 9-0-0, CNV**

9. **DIRECTOR’S REPORT (08)**

Claire Ramspeck, Director of Technology, reviewed with the Council ongoing Technology department activities and shared a list of accomplishments to date.

10. **CHAIR’S REPORT**

Chair Jim Vallort reminded the standing committee chairs that their Members First Articles are due in by Friday, February 12, 2016 and the Tech Council Summer Conference meeting in St. Louis, MO, is scheduled for Wednesday, June 29, 2016 – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

*Attachments to these minutes can be found on the FTP site under: 03 Tech Council Info/Minutes/2016_17/Orlando Meeting 1_27_2016*