



NATIONAL GREEN BUILDING STANDARD™ 2012 REVISION PROCESS

Consensus Committee and Task Group Meeting

MINUTES OF MEETING

March 29-30, 2011
National Housing Center
1201 15th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005

The following consensus committee members, task group members, guests, and NAHB Research Center staff were present for all or part of the meeting:

Consensus Committee Members and Alternates

Adrian (Rusty) Ashley
Charles C. Cottrell
Dan Simon
David Epley
Donn C. Thompson
Jeff Inks
Kurt Hansen
Mark Nowak
Michael Cudahy
Paul Cabot
Ray Tonjes (Vice Chair)
Sam W. Francis
Steven Rosenstock

Anthony C. Floyd
Chris Allison
Darren Molnar-Port
Deborah Reynolds
Doug Hensel
Josh Jacobs
Laverne Dagleish
Matthew Dobson
Michael G. Hodgson
Paula Cino
Richard Bergman
Steve Easley
William Sanderson

Bruce G. Boncke
Christine A. Phillips
David S. Collins
Don Pratt (Chair)
Frank A. Stanonik
Kenneth Bland
Lee S. Sobel
Matthew Brian Williams
Molly A. Beard
Randall K. Melvin
Robert Dewey
Steven Armstrong

Members absent: Ron Burton, Medard Kopczynski, Matt Clark, Stockton Williams, Matthew Belcher

Task Group Members and Alternates

Alan Abrams
Bruce Sullivan
Denise Van Valkenburg
Donald Prather
Karen Lewis Welsh
Merle F. McBride
Miles Haber
Peter V. Vargo
Randal D. Carter
Sanford Steinberg
Theresa Weston
William H. Freeman

Amy Schmidt
Craig Charles Conner
Dennis Lee Pitts
Howard Fortunato
Lois A. Starkey
Michelle McDonough Winters
Paul L. Sullivan
Philip Jalbert
Rick Bouchard
Steve Hale
Thomas Stroud

Andrea Lanier Papageorge
Darrel McMaster
Diane T. Baum
Jamie Hager
Lorraine Ross
Mike Mongeon
Peter J. Fusaro
Rand H. Ackroyd
Robert De Vries
Tanis J. Marquette
Timothy Ellis

Guests

Alan Bilka (ICC Staff Liaison)
Don Surrena
Glenn Overcash
Loren Ross
Omar Kapur

Dan Buuck
Ed Tombari
Kelly Mack
Neal Humphrey
Therese Crahan

Dick Titus
Gary Ehrlich
Lee Jones
Nick Capezza
Ty Asfaw

NAHB Research Center Staff

Amber Wood
Michael Luzier
Vladimir Kochkin (Committee Secretary)

Joe Wiehagen
Michelle Desiderio

Matt Stair
Thomas Kenney

I. Chairman's Opening Remarks (March 29, 2011)

Don Pratt convened the meeting on Tuesday March 29, 2011 at 8:10 am.

II. Approval of Agenda (March 29, 2011)

Meeting agenda was unanimously approved.

III. Review of the 2012 NGBS Revision Process (March 29, 2011)

Vladimir Kochkin, Committee Secretary, discussed the process and the procedures for the 2012 Update of the National Green Building Standard including the role of the Task Groups and the Consensus Committee in the development process. The presentation also included background information on the history of the development of the NGBS and its point system. The organizing principles of an ANSI-consensus process were also discussed. The tentative development schedule was presented and dates for the future meetings were announced.

IV. Adopting Entity Perspective (March 29, 2011)

Robert Hill, Director of the NAHB Research Center Certification Programs, discussed the experience of the NAHB Research Center as an Adopting Entity for the 2008 NGBS since its release in February of 2009. Mr. Hill presented statistics on the issued certifications including a detailed breakdown by performance levels, by performance categories, and by compliance paths. He discussed opportunities for improvement from the standpoint of implementation and verification of the green building practices including improved clarity, consistency, and inequities with regard to specific design/construction scenarios.

V. Task Group Review of the Proposed Changes (March 29 and 30, 2011)

All seven Task Groups conducted individual sessions to review the assigned proposed changes. The purpose of the sessions was to initiate development of Task Group recommendations on the proposed changes.

VI. Consensus Committee Session and Initial Reports by Task Group Chairs (March 30, 2011)

On the morning of the second day of the meeting, the Consensus Committee held a general session to provide an opportunity for Task Group Chairs to (1) report on the initial progress with review of the proposed changes and (2) obtain direction from the Consensus Committee on the significant items that had broad implications on the overall development process. The following motions were made and voted on by the Consensus Committee (see table below). All votes were straw polls intended to provide Task Groups with direction for going forward in developing their recommendations. It was noted that the Consensus Committee would have a chance to discuss and vote on all items again at the next meeting.

	Motion	Action	Vote
1	Review definitions for consistency with I-codes where possible and where appropriate for the NGBS	Pass	Unanimous
2	Adopt 2009 IECC as a base reference code for NGBS Energy Chapter with equipment trade-offs allowed for levels exceeding 2009 IECC	Pass	21 - yes 9 - no 1 - abst
3	Use 2009 family of I-codes as a reference baseline for other provisions of the NGBS	Pass	28 - yes 2 - no 1 - abst
4	Revise the remodeling provisions based on the following principles: standalone separate section based on the main provisions of the NGBS with standards for whole-house remodeling and for project specific remodeling (e.g., kitchens, bathrooms)	Pass	Unanimous

VII. Meeting of Task Group Chairs and Staff (March 30, 2011)

Task Group Chair and Vice Chairs met with staff to discuss logistical items for conducting Task Group work and reporting results to the Consensus Committee. At the meeting, a request was made to provide WebEx as a platform for facilitating sharing of information within Task Groups and between Task Groups.

VIII. Next Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for June 13-17, 2011 in Washington, DC. Task Groups will continue their work via conference calls.

IX. Adjournment

Task Group sessions were adjourned by Task Group Chairs on the afternoon of March 30, 2011 based on work progress.

Respectfully submitted,
Vladimir Kochkin,
Committee Secretary