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International Energy Conservation Code

HVACR Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes for May 16, 2022

Subcommittee Chair: John Hensley

Subcommittee Vice-Chair: Ricardo Madrid

1. Call to order. The meeting was called to order at 11:02 AM EST
2. Meeting Conduct. Chair John Hensley provided an overview of Council Policy 7 and Code of Ethics
3. Roll Call – Vice Chair Ricardo Madrid

Committee members in attendance: (11 in attendance, 5 absent)

In attendance; Chair John Hensley, Vice-chair Ricardo Madrid, Gary Heikkinen, Mary Koban, Mark Lyles, Chris Perry (alt), David Bixby, Gary Klein, Dean Potter, Kevin Rose, Sonny Richardson.

Not in attendance; Jennifer Amann, Helen Walter (alt), Jeremy Williams, Patricia Graef, Donald Thomas

ICC staff in attendance; Kris Stenger

Chair Hensley moved to vote for approving REPI 62-21 to #5 on the agenda and REPI- 98-21 to #6 on the agenda as requested by the proponents. Mary Koban made a motioned to approve,

Dean Potter seconded, Chair Hensley opened the floor for vote on the motion, all were in favor.

1. Seth Wiley presented REPI-62-21 modified by proponent Seth Wiley. Wiley explained the proposal in detail in regard to air tightness and testing in basements and crawlspaces and infiltration including portions on ERV and HRV. Chair Hensley requested cost analysis data. Wiley expressed he didn’t have data available but is familiar with this work from current projects he does and doesn’t present significant cost impacts. David Bixby made a motion to reject since no cost analysis was present, Dean Potter seconded. After short discussion, Sonny Richardson moved to call the question. The Chair moved to vote on call the question. 5-5-0, The Chair voted to break the tie and voted yea to call the question. 6-5-0. The Vice-Chair asked if any additional voting members have joined the meeting, Mark Lyles joined late. The Chair opened the floor to discuss REPI-62-21. Dean Potter discussed the details of the proposal. Group discussion. Chair moved to vote on the motion to disapprove. 7-0-3
2. Robby Schwarz presented REPI-98-21 by proponent Robby Schwarz. Schwarz explained proposal in regard to ACCA Manuels S, J and D. Schwarz continued to explain this proposal is not for existing homes but only new homes. Dean Potter makes a motion to reject. Sonny Richardson seconded. The Chair opened the floor for discussion. David Bixby stated that ACCA proposal under IRC EPI 6 added manual D to the ducts section. Also, the Merv 13 filter is more a mechanical code issue and not efficiency issue. Group discussion. Chair Hensley moved the floor to vote. 8-0-2
3. David Bixby gave update on status of REPI 75,76,80,81,84. The Chair explained these REPI’s will be held on the May 31 meeting.
4. Ryohei Hinokuma presented REPI-136-21 by proponent Ryohei Hinokuma. Hinokuma explained the proposal in detail in regard to SEER ratings. Mary Koban made a motion to approve as amended. Sonny Richardson seconded. The Chair opened the floor for discussion. Group discussion. David Bixby made comment that this proposal is consistent with the new DOE standards in 2023 in addition to energy star. Mary Koban agreed. More discussion from the group. Chris Perry made statement that he was in support with this proposal. Chair moved to vote. 8-0-1.
5. Ryohei Hinokuma presented REPI-73-21 by proponent Ryohei Hinokuma, Hinokuma stated this proposal is equivalent to REPI 72 except this portion and this would align them. Mary Koban made motion to approve. David Bixby seconded. The Chair opened the floor for discussion. Group discussion. Dean Potter asked if the industry ready to provide the capabilities to provide for this proposal. Hinokuma explained the proposal to address capabilities. Potter doesn’t think the proposal is clear and doesn’t change anything currently on the field and is only about capabilities. More group discussion. Kevin Rose offered a friendly amendment to address a couple of editorial notes. The proponent did not have any objection. More group discussion. Mary Koban agreed with the friendly amendment and David Bixby seconded. More discussion. The Chair moved to vote. 6-1-2. Group discussion was brought forward if the vote included the friendly amendment. The Chair re-opened the floor and the friendly amendments were included. A re-vote was taken with friendly amendment. 7-1-1.
6. Considering action on REPI 73-21, REPI 72-21 Proponent Steve Rosenstock requested the sub-committtee to disapprove REPI-72. Kevin Rose made a motion to remove. David Bixby seconded the motion. The chair moved to vote and explained the reason statement will be that REPI 73-21 takes care of REPI 72-21. 9-0-0
7. Nick Thompson presented CEPI-82-21 by proponent Nick Thompson. Thompson explained this was a two part proposal for both the commercial and residential energy code in regards to ice and snow melt systems. Thompson explained the details to CEPI-82-21, Chris Perry made a motion to approve. Kevin Rose seconded. Chair opened the floor for discussion. Group discussion. Chair opened the floor to vote. Sonny Richardson explained it is Part 2 of the commercial version. All in favor. 9-0-0
8. REPI-17-21, 155-21 by proponent Kim Cheslak was moved by Chair Hensley. Vice-Chair Madrid asked about REPI-071-21 that was on the agenda item #10. Chair Hensley explained that was a typo.
9. Patricia Chawla presented REPI-138-21 modified (1) by proponent Patricia Chawla. Chawla explained the proposal was to update the units EF to UEF to align with the new unit from DOE. Mary Koban made a motion to reject the proposal. David Bixby seconded the motion. Koban explained the details of this proposal and options for alternative language. The proponent agrees with the alternative language as Koban suggested. More discussion. Mary Koban withdrew her original motion and changed her motion to table REPI-138-21. David Bixby agreed. 9-0-0
10. Upcoming Meeting; May 31,2022
11. Meeting adjourned.