



May 2019 MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2019
Time: 6:00pm – 7:20pm
Location: Steven Winter Associates, Norwalk

Present:

Alicia Dolce	Board member
Sara Holmes	Secretary
Leonard Wyeth	President
Katie Zoppo	Board member

Lois Arena
Dylan Martello

Distribution: Board members, post on website

"We," "our," "us," and "CTPH" refers to the Connecticut Passive House group.

PASSIVE HOUSE PRIMER

1. Lois gave a summary of Building Energy's Passive House Primer presentation.
2. It is a general overview of what makes Passive House appealing. It does not get technical nor delve into the metrics (4.75 kBtu per square foot, etc)
3. Lois adjusts her talking points depending on the audience.

EDUCATION

4. Facilitate programming for realtors and developers.

SPONSORSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP

5. There are currently 7 company members and 50 individual members.
6. There has been an uptick in memberships with the oncoming event.
7. We will consider another tier for company memberships for larger companies (e.g. SWA).

AIACT CONFERENCE

8. None of the New England Passive House groups responded to Sara's invitation to share a booth.
9. CTPH will share a booth with CTGBC. Sara will look into logistics of signing up.
10. CTPH will propose 4 programs. (Proposer in parentheses)
 - a. One or all of the speakers from the NESEA keynote if available. (Leonard)
 - b. Introduction to Passive House – based on February's AIACT event (Leonard)
 - c. Passive House in the Field – the step beyond the intro (Philippe)



d. Affordable Housing and Passive House (Alicia)

11. Proposals are due by June 14: <https://aiact.org/2019-call-for-program-proposals/>

WEBSITE

12. Events have been added to the website.
13. CTGBC's Design Awards will be added to the front page of the website.
14. The next eblast will include CTGBC's Design Awards

ENERGY SCORECARD

1. A natural extension of the work a home inspector performs
2. Also related to home energy audits and ratings, e.g. RESNET raters, certifiers for building standard programs (Energy Star, etc)
3. Leonard will contact Peter Harding of Home Energy Technologies for some insight.
4. Minnesota may have an energy rating system
5. Leonard will contact Christine Palm (State Representative) and Norm Needleman (State Senator)
6. Andrew Baumer could be a good resource for the real estate side.
7. Massachusetts is trying to pass a revised version of their energy scorecard.
8. Contact Diane Duva, Director, Office of Energy Demand at DEEP
9. Does Eversource still perform home energy assessments? *Yes*
10. What caused the auto industry to put MPG on the window sticker?
11. What system does Europe use?
12. Could this be a tool for bank appraisers? Could this encourage sustainable features adding value to a green home? CT Green Bank could be a good resource.

FOLLOW-UP

1. Look at past Meeting Minutes to follow up on your items.
2. Board members: Hold October 24 and 25 for the "Purposeful Boards, Powerful Fundraising" seminar. Which day(s) we go is TBD.
<https://www.cfgnh.org/About/NewsEvents/ViewArticle/tabid/96/ArticleId/1568/Purposeful-Boards-Powerful-Fundraising-Oct-28.aspx>

MEETINGS

3. The next Board Meeting is scheduled for June 18, location TBD.

Meeting concluded at 7:20pm.

Submitted by: Sara Holmes, Secretary