CABA Connected Home Council (CHC)
Draft Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 16, 2022
12 NOON – 1:30 PM (ET) via Webinar

**CHC Executive:**
CHC Vice-Chair, Jim Hunter (Delos Living LLC)
CHC Vice-Chair, Byron BeMiller (Semtech Corporation)
CHC Vice-Chair, Charles Hume (Southwire Company, LLC)

**Present:**
Adaptive Networks, Inc., Michael Propp
Axis Lighting Inc., Jamal Carrington
BSRIA Inc., Lone Hansen
CABA, Greg Walker
CABA, Chris Cantley
CABA, Marta Klopotowska
Caster Communications, Inc., Rachel Bradshaw
CEDIA, Giles Sutton
CEDIA, Walt Zerbe
CEDIA, Rachel Tindall
CEDIA, Daryl Friedman
CEDIA, Christine DeJoy
Civimetrix, Marc Girard
CommScope, Jason Austin
Computer Consulting, Alexander Sakharov
Dwyer Instruments, Inc., Fabian Weber
Ei Electronics US, Inc., Barry Donahoe
ERG Energy Efficiency, Michael DABBENE
exp. US Services, Inc., Jon Larry
FCCC, Anthony Ortega
HAVEN IAQ, Scott Krasman
HAVEN IAQ, Christina Summerfield
Honda Environmental Business Development Office, Nathan Zhang
Honeywell International, Inc., Sathish Nanjappa
Horizon Technologies, Ludo Bertsch
HTA Consulting Group, Ray Malki
Hunter Douglas, Pablo Shepard
HWC3, Howard Campbell
Hydro-Québec, Michael Fournier
CHC Meeting AGENDA

1. Agenda - Greg Walker (CABA)

   Greg Walker (CABA) thanked everyone for attending, outlined the agenda, and alerted everyone that the meeting was being recorded and will be made available to the industry.

2. Call to Order, Welcome and Introduction, about the CHC – Charles Hume (Southwire Company, LLC)

   Charles Hume (Southwire Company, LLC) welcomed everyone and outlined the role of the CHC.
3. **Administrative** – Charles Hume (Southwire Company, LLC)

3.1 Motion to approve Past CHC Minutes
Charles Hume (Southwire Company, LLC) informed everyone that the May 24, 2022 CHC meeting minutes were circulated and posted on the CABA Website in the CHC section: [CLICK HERE](#).

Motion to approve May 24, 2022, CHC minutes was moved by Charles Hume (Southwire Company, LLC) and the motion was seconded by David Katz (Sustainable Resources Management Inc.). Unopposed motion carried.

3.2 Call for CHC Chair and Vice Chairs
Charles made it known that Eric Harper (Snap One) has stepped down from his role as Chair of the CHC as he has taken on a new role as Vice-Chair of the CABA Board of Directors. He also announced that Byron BeMiller (Semtech Corporation) and Jim Hunter of (Delos Living, LLC) have stepped down as CHC Vice Chairs and thanked them for all their good work.

Charles made a call for volunteers as Chair and Vice-Chairs for the Connected Home Council. If there is any interest, please contact CABA to further discuss.

3.3 Call for future CHC Keynote Speakers
Lastly, Charles made a call for keynote speakers for future CHC Meeting Webinars. If there is any interest, please contact CABA to further discuss.

4. **Research Update** – Greg Walker (CABA)

2022 CHC Landmark Research “**Smart Home Energy Management**” - Greg Walker (CABA)

Greg gave a brief overview of this 2022 CHC Landmark Research Project, “Smart Home Energy Management”. Only the funders will receive the full $70,000 of research but the Executive Summary of the research will be available to CABA Members. The funders will be meeting, in the very near future, with the research firm that has submitted an RFP. Funding opportunities range from $1K-$10K depending on the benefits. To receive this research and become a funder, please contact Greg Walker (CABA) at walker@caba.org. [CLICK HERE](#) for the research prospectus and other supporting documents.

Four (4) CABA members have already joined this research project:
5. **White Paper Sub-Committee Update** - Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks Associates)

An overview was given of the CHC White Paper review process, completed CHC White Papers and papers in progress. CHC White Papers are secondary literature review articles that are approximately 10-20 pages in length. They are written and distributed free of charge to inform the industry. For a paper to be approved by the CHC White Paper Sub-Committee (WPSC), they must have significant technical material of relevance to CHC members, and they must not contain marketing material or promote an agenda. Any CABA member can and is encouraged to complete the new one (1) page White Paper proposal template and submit it to klopotowska@caba.org.

Published CABA White Papers are shared via the CABA Public Library, Members Library, CABA NewsBrief, CABA Twitter Feed, CABA LinkedIn Group and promoted at industry events. To view the CHC White Paper terms of reference, previous CHC White Papers and additional information, please go to: [www.caba.org/chc](http://www.caba.org/chc). All papers — completed and in-progress — can be found at: [www.caba.org/whitepapers](http://www.caba.org/whitepapers).

If you or someone that you know would like to join one or more of the following White Paper Working Groups or recommend a new White Paper, please contact Marta Klopotowska (CABA) at klopotowska@caba.org.

**CHC White Paper Sub-Committee (WPSC)**
- Ken Wacks Associates, Ken Wacks (CABA Whitepaper Chair)
- Frost & Sullivan, Konkana Khaund
- LumenCache, Inc., Derek Cowburn
- National Research Council Canada (NRC), Heather Knudsen

6. **CABA Podcasts** – Marta Klopotowska (CABA)

Marta Klopotowska (CABA) outlined CABA’s recent Podcast series on Spotify and Apple Podcasts. CABA recently released the premiere episode on intelligent buildings and will be releasing the second recording in October on Connected Homes, titled “Extending the Smart Grid to Consumers”. If you or someone that you know is interested in participating as a guest or host on a future episode, please contact Marta Klopotowska (CABA) at klopotowska@caba.org.
7. **CHC Webinar**

“The Human-Centric Future of the Connected Home” (30 min) – Greg Walker (CABA) (Moderator), Daryl Friedman (CEDIA)

Greg introduced Daryl Friedman who presented the keynote and participated in the Q&A.

![Daryl Friedman](image)

**Description:** CEDIA’s latest Integrated Home Market Analysis Survey reveals that the $2B custom integration industry’s business has evolved significantly from its roots: It’s more accessible, more holistic, and more connected than ever before. By embracing new product categories and collaborating with allied trades like designers, security professionals, and electricians, the industry is working towards a common goal of improving the human condition. This means taking a user-focused and hyper-personalized approach to identify, design, implement, and maintain user experiences for customers in the connected home.

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- Giles Sutton [gsutton@cedia.org](mailto:gsutton@cedia.org)
- Walt Zerbe [wzerbe@cedia.org](mailto:wzerbe@cedia.org)

8. **New Business** – Greg Walker (CABA)

Greg Walker (CABA) made a call for new business related to future CHC Guest/Keynote presentation topics and speakers, new CHC White Papers, new research projects and meeting ideas, etc.

David Katz (Sustainable Resources Management Inc.) proposed a future webinar/whitepaper topic: Canadian Federal government recent proposal for technology for net zero homes.
9. **Announcements** – Greg Walker (CABA)

**Upcoming Events**
- **Connections Virtual Sessions** (Parks Associates)
  - August 18, October 20 and November 10
- **Connected Health Summit Virtual Sessions** (Parks Associates)
  - Aug 30 - New Opportunities in Connected Health Services: Monitoring and Home Care
  - Aug 31 - Successful Strategies for Engaging Consumers
  - Oct 6 - Seniors and Caretakers: Living Independently
- **IES Annual Conference** – August 18-20, 2022 | New Orleans, LA
- **Shanghai Smart Home Technology** – August 31-September 2, 2022 | Shanghai, China
- **CEDIA EXPO** - September 29 - October 1, 2022 | Dallas, TX, USA
- **Lightspec Midwest** – October 4-5, 2022 | Chicago, IL
- **Greenbuild** – November 1-3, 2022 | San Francisco, CA

10. **Adjournment** (1:30 PM ET) – Greg Walker (CABA)

The next CHC Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 22, 2022.

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CABA CHC meetings are open to CABA Members and invited guests, and everyone is encouraged to participate. **CLICK HERE** for more info on the CHC, past minutes, participants, and terms of reference. Any CABA Member that attended as a guest will be added to the CHC unless they notify the CABA office by August 31, 2022 that their name should not be added. Non-CABA members that attended this meeting as a guest, should contact Marta Klopotowska at klopotowska@caba.org, to indicate if they wish to join the CHC or CABA. **CLICK HERE** for more information on the CABA Benefits.

Regards,

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