



CABA Connected Home Council (CHC)
Draft Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 21, 2022
12 NOON – 1:30 PM (ET) via Webinar

CHC Executive:

CHC Chair, Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks Associates)
CHC Vice-Chair, Charles Hume (Southwire Company, LLC)

Present:

Adaptive Networks, Inc., Michael Propp
ARC Advisory Group, Jim Frazer
Bradley Corporation, Yang Clark
CCG-NJ, Ronald Chebra
CEDIA, Walt Zerbe
Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers (CIBSE), Derek Clements-Croome
Cummins Facility Services, Jill Frey
Dokuz Eylül University, Selin Biçer
Ecovena, Trevor Boicey
ERG Energy Efficiency, Michael Dabbene
exp. US Services, Inc., J. Christopher Larry
FCCC, Anthony Ortega
Frost & Sullivan, Maurice Okawaki
GLG, John Diamant
Harbor Research, Inc., Pragya Jain
Homestead Land Holdings Limited, Greg Ropp
Honda Environmental Business Development Office, Nathan Zhang
Honeywell International, Inc., Sathish Nanjappa
Horizon Technologies Inc., Ludo Bertsch
Infrastructure Ontario, Mandy omrani
Intellimmo, Marc Girard
Johnson Controls Inc., Geoff Cummings
Legrand, Jean Pierre Trieb
Legrand North America, Changhui Lu
Legrand North America, Pete Horton
LG Air Conditioning Technologies, Limor Schafman
Mercku Inc., Katrina Kwok
MoCA (Multimedia over Coax Alliance), Roberta Silverstein
Multi-Tech Systems, Inc., Dan Quant
National Research Council Canada (NRC), Marius Farcasiu

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan), CanmetENERGY, Roberto Sunye
NYSERDA (New York State Energy Research and Development Authority), Jerone Gagliano
Parks Associates, Elizabeth Parks
Pelletier & Associés Conseils, Sylvain Pelletier
Picacity AI, Inc., Sumeet Johar
Resideo Technologies, Inc., Amy Davidson
Shaw Communications Inc., Clarke Stevens
Siemens Industry, Inc., Richard Rivera
Snap One, LLC., Eric Harper
Sodexo Canada Ltd., Daniel Vander Veen
Sound Decisions, Mark Bassett
Sustainable Resources Management Inc., David Katz
Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA), Marta Soncodi
TELUS, Ian Cruickshank
The Cadillac Fairview Corporation Limited, Nishit Shah
The Cadillac Fairview Corporation Limited, Ayush Devan
Tuya Smart Inc., Mona Xiong
Tuya Smart Inc., Andy Spielman
Tuya Smart Inc., Eric Shen
Your Growth Engine, LLC, Kevin McCaughey

CHC Meeting AGENDA

1. Agenda - Greg Walker (CABA)

Greg Walker 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 – Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks Associates)

Ken Wacks welcomed everyone and introduced: IBC Vice-Chair Charles Hume (Southwire Company, LLC) and keynote speaker Andy Spielman (Tuya Smart).

3. Administrative – Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks)

3.1 Motion to approve Past CHC Minutes

Ken Wacks informed everyone that the November 29, 2022 CHC meeting minutes were circulated and posted on the CABA Website in the CHC section: [CLICK HERE](#).

The motion to approve the November 29, 2022, CHC minutes was moved by Chris Larry (exp. US Services, Inc.) and the motion was seconded by Pete Horton (Legrand North America).

Unopposed motion carried.

3.2 Call for CHC Vice Chairs

Ken Wacks made a call for volunteers as Vice-Chairs for the Connected Home Council (CHC). If there is any interest, please contact CABA to further discuss.

3.3 Call for future CHC Keynote Speakers

Lastly, Ken Wacks 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)

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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. 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.



Six (6) CABA members have already joined this research project:



6. CABA Podcasts – Marta Klopotoska (CABA)

Marta Klopotoska (CABA) outlined CABA’s recent Podcast series on [Spotify](#) and [Apple Podcasts](#). CABA’s most recent episode titled “Part 1 - Post-Pandemic Building Issues, Cybersecurity & Intelligent Amenities - Overview” was released on February 1. If you or someone that you know is interested in participating as a guest or host on a future episode, please contact Marta Klopotoska (CABA) at klopotoska@caba.org.

7. CHC Webinar



Andy Spielman
Director of Business Development



“How IoT is helping create a more sustainable world” (30 min) –
Greg Walker (CABA) (Moderator), Andy Spielman (Tuya Smart)

Greg introduced Andy Spielman who presented the keynote and participated in the Q&A.

Description: Electrical grids, affected by natural disasters, have brought grid resilience to public attention. Extreme instability in the oil and gas markets brought on by the pandemic and the war in Eastern Europe has increased the need for energy substitutes. Greater volumes of consumption data are being gathered by smart home appliances, HVAC systems, and thermostats serving a population working from home more than ever before. The demand for energy before and after commutes is expected to significantly grow with the accelerated deployment of electric vehicles and home charging equipment. With various sources now supplying energy to the home and services like on-demand pricing becoming more prevalent, the energy markets are changing at an accelerated rate, making the environment for customers much more complicated.

Energy producers, builders, and utilities have been tasked with an important mission and given an opportunity; to assist consumers with these problems, organize their energy use and sources, and prepare for a future where households must deal with an increasingly complex energy consumption environment.

Contact Information: marketing@tuya.com

8. New Business - Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks Associates)

Ken Wacks 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.

No new CHC business was brought forward.

9. Announcements – Greg Walker (CABA)

8.1 Past Events

[CES](#) - January 5-8, 2023 | Las Vegas, NV

[Connections Summit at CES](#) (Parks Associates) - January 5, 2023 | Las Vegas NV

[IoT Evolution Conference & Expo](#) - February 14-17, 2023 | Ft. Lauderdale, FL

8.2 Upcoming Events

[Smart Spaces \(Parks Associates\)](#) – April 17-18 | Dallas TX (Virtual – Jul 20, Oct 5, Nov 30)

[Connections Connected Home Summit](#) – May 23-25 | Frisco, TX (Virtual – Mar 2, Jul 20, Oct 5)

[Shanghai Smart Home Technology](#) – August 29-31 | Shanghai, China

[CEDIA Expo](#) – September 7-9 | Denver, CO

10. Adjournment (1:30 PM ET) – Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks Associates)

The next CHC Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023.

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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 March 8, 2023 that their name should not be added. Non-CABA members that attended this meeting as a guest, should contact Marta Klopotoska at klopotoska@caba.org, to indicate if they wish to join the CHC or CABA. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information on the CABA Benefits.

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