

# CABA Intelligent Buildings Council (IBC) Draft Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 30, 2023 12 NOON - 1:30 PM (ET) via Webinar

## **IBC Executive:**

IBC Chair, Bob Allan (NAVCO, Inc.)

IBC Vice-Chair, Chris Larry (Exp US Services Inc.)

IBC Vice-Chair, Harsha Chandrashekar (Honeywell International Inc.)

IBC Vice-Chair, Robert Lane (Robert H. Lane & Associates Inc.)

### **Present:**

Al Shading, Jeff Kwok

Aircuity, Duane Keenan Jr.

Aircuity, Inc., Dan Diehl

AprilAire, Mathias Takahashi Albert

AprilAire, Satish Dinakaran

AprilAire, Andrew Litch

Azbil Corporation, Yoshiaki Noguchi

Baker Group Automation, Daryld Karloff

Baker Group Automation, Russell Zimmerman

Belden, Matt Odell

BGE Indoor Air Quality Solutions, Kevin Delahunt

City of Toronto, Daniel Pelletier

CR Creative, LLC, Christianne Radziewicz

Distech Controls Inc., An Acuity Brands company, Efreb Marquez

DJ Smith Inc., Doug Smith

DLR Group, Ruairi Barnwell

EBTRON, Inc., Darryl DeAngelis

ERG Energy Efficiency, M. Dabbene

GLG, John Diamant

Homestead Land Holdings Limited, Steve Vidal

Honeywell International, Inc., Brad Hill

Honeywell International, Inc., Sathish Nanjappa

HTA Consulting Group, Ray Malki

IBO - Austrian Institute of Building and Ecology GmbH, Bernhard Lipp

ICONICS, Inc., Gary Kohrt

Johnson Controls Inc., Bernard Clement

Johnson Controls Inc., Charles Gans

Johnson Controls Inc., Chris Lane

Johnson Controls Inc., Ghulam Khan

Johnson Controls Inc., Jonathan Da Silva

Johnson Controls Inc., Tyler Smith

Johnson Controls Inc., Colm Healy

Johnson Controls Inc., Shawn Schubert

Kaiterra, Joe Di Noto

Kaiterra, Liam Bates

Ken Wacks Associates, Kenneth Wacks

KMC Controls, Inc., Mitch Kehler

Legrand North America, Charlie Derk

Legrand North America, Changhui LU

Medallion Corporation, Alexandre Do Amaral

MHT Technologies, Kim Johnson

Mitsubishi Electric Corporation, Sanal Sreedharan

Multi-Tech Systems, Inc., Dan Quant

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan), CanmetENERGY, Bo Jiang

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan), CanmetENERGY, Marius Farcasiu

NEMA, Brian Marchionini

Network Thermostat, Jerry Drew

North American Global Tech Services, LLC, Ranjit Gunewardane

NYSERDA (New York State Energy Research and Development Authority), Joseph

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Oxygen8 Solutions, Inc., Eric Hebbard

Parity, Alex Siminoff

Picacity Al, Inc., Sumeet Johan

PSPC, Chris Micallef

Public Services and Procurement Canada/ Government of Canada, Mahjouba Fadel

Quebec BVI, Marc Lapointe

RePure, Michael D. Ham

Rheem Manufacturing Company, Raheel Chaudhry

Rheem Manufacturing Company, Daniel Trevino

SaskTel, Dave Kindred

Siemens Industry, Inc., Wayne Aho

Siemens Industry, Inc., Bonnie Brook

Siemens Industry, Inc., Richard Rivera

Siemens Industry, Inc., Solayappan Alagappan

Siemens Industry, Inc., William Vargo

Siemens Industry, Inc., Kara Stefanski

Siemens Industry, Inc., Gloria Lloret

Sustainable Resources Management Inc., David Katz

tekmar Control Systems Ltd., Eric Balt

TELUS, Jason Antinori

Tridium, Inc., Stephen Holicky

Veni AS, Olav Loining

Yorkland Controls Ltd, Andre Boire

# 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 – Bob Allan (NAVCO, Inc.)

CABA member and IBC Chair Bob Allan (NACO, Inc.) welcomed everyone and introduced: IBC Vice-Chairs, Harsha Chandrashekar (Honeywell International, Inc.), Robert Lane (Robert H. Lane and Associates, Inc.) and Christopher Larry (Exp US Services Inc.), CABA Whitepaper Chair, Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks and Associates) and keynote speaker Liam Bates (Kaiterra)

# **3.** Administrative - Bob Allan (NAVCO, Inc.)

# **Motion to Approve Past IBC Minutes**

Bob informed everyone that the meeting minutes from the February 28, 2023, IBC meeting were circulated and posted on the CABA Web site in the IBC section: <a href="www.caba.org/ibc">www.caba.org/ibc</a>.

A motion to approve the February 28, 2023, IBC minutes was moved by Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks and Associates), and the motion was seconded by Charlie Derk (Legrand North America). Unopposed motion passed.

CABA is currently seeking Board Members and invites individuals who are interested in joining the board to reach out to Greg Walker directly at walker@caba.org.

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



# 4.1 2022 IBC Landmark Research "Healthy Buildings and Indoor Environmental Quality"

Greg Walker thanked the 16 funders on this recently completed Landmark Research Project, "Healthy Buildings and Indoor Environmental Quality". Only the funders received the full \$130,000 of research but the Executive Summary of the research is available for download to CABA Members.

### 4.2 2023 IBC Landmark Research

Greg Walker gave a brief overview of this Landmark Research Project. The project has garnered significant interest, with the top two research firms chosen to present their proposals during a webinar scheduled for May 31. So far, a total of eleven (11) CABA

members have committed to funding and actively participating in this research initiative.



#### **Annual "BACS Market Sizing North America"** 4.3

Greg Walker gave a brief overview of this annual, invitation-only, market sizing study focusing on building automation control systems. The project is continuing in 2023 and may be expanded to additional field devices and geographical areas. Eight (8) CABA members have agreed to fund and participate in this research project:



#### 5. CABA Podcast – Marta Klopotowska (CABA)

Marta Klopotowska outlined CABA's recent Podcast series on Spotify and Apple Podcasts. CABA's most recent recording released in May focused on PoE Lighting and IoT for Buildings and Facility Management and a second recording on Intelligent Buildings Cybersecurity Issues. If you or someone that you know is interested in participating as a quest or host on a future episode, please contact Marta Klopotowska (CABA) at klopotowska@caba.org.

6. Keynote: "Interpreting and Leveraging IAQ Data in the Connected Building" -Bob Allan (NAVCO, Inc.), Liam Bates (Kaiterra)



CEO 

Bob Allan (NAVCO, Inc.) introduced Liam Bates (Kaiterra) who presented the keynote and participated in the Q&A.

**Description**: Indoor air quality (IAQ) is crucial when it comes to healthy, energy-saving buildings and when interpreted correctly, IAQ data can be a powerful tool to reduce energy consumption, lower maintenance costs, and extend the lifecycle of utilities in buildings, while ensuring the safety and comfort of its occupants. Fortunately, when it comes to IAQ, "monitor and improve" technology has joined the smart revolution. This means that keeping the quality of the indoor environment optimal can become an automated process, freeing up resources, and leaving nothing to chance.

# Liam Bates presented on:

- Key IAQ parameters to measure and track
- Why you should take an automated, data-driven approach to your smart building strategy
- How to harness the power of IAQ data to turn insights into action
- Examples of companies transforming IAQ data into actionable insights

Liam Bates: info@kaiterra.com

# 7. White Paper Sub-Committee Update - Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks Associates)

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

All completed and approved CABA White Papers are placed in the CABA Public Library, Members Library, CABA NewsBrief, CABA Twitter Feed, and CABA LinkedIn Group and promoted at industry events. To view the IBC White Paper terms of reference, previous IBC White Papers, and additional information, please go to: <a href="www.caba.org/ibc">www.caba.org/ibc</a>. All completed CABA White Papers can be found at: <a href="www.caba.org/whitepapers">www.caba.org/whitepapers</a>.

## IBC White Paper Sub-Committee:

- Ken Wacks Associates, Kenneth Wacks
- Consultant, Steve Samson
- Frost & Sullivan, Dilip Sarangan
- National Research Council Canada (NRC), Heather Knudsen
- Sustainable Resources Management Inc., David Katz

If you or someone that you know would like to join one (1) or more of the following White Paper working groups, please contact Marta Klopotowska (CABA) at klopotowska@caba.org.

Ken Wacks introduced a recently proposed whitepaper titled "ADA Compliance in a Smart Technology Environment". The purpose of this white paper is to provide a comprehensive analysis of how smart technologies can enhance the reasonable accommodation requirement in the next generation of smart buildings. By examining various applications, AI advancements, and interactive smart devices, the aim is to identify solutions that improve the overall experience for individuals with impairments. Anyone interested in joining the working group for this paper should contact Marta Klopotowska at <a href="klopotowska@caba.org">klopotowska@caba.org</a>.

# 8. Other Business - Bob Allan (NAVCO, Inc.)

# Other new IBC business

Bob Allan called for new business related to future IBC Guest/Keynote presentation topics and speakers, new IBC White Papers, new research projects and meeting ideas, etc.

No new IBC business was brought forward.

## **9.** Announcements – Bob Allan (NAVCO, Inc.)

## 9.1 Past Events Overview

ISH – March 13-17 | Germany

IFMA World Workplace – March 22-23 | Netherlands

IFMA Facility Fusion - April 11-13 | San Francisco, CA

Lightfair – May 21-25 | New York, NY

# 9.2 Upcoming Events

Realcomm IBcon – June 14-15 | Las Vegas, NV

Shanghai Intelligent Building Technology - August 29-31 | Shanghai, China

BICSI - September 10-14 | Las Vegas, NV

Greenbuild - September 26-29 | Washington DC

# **10. Adjournment** (1:30 PM ET) – Bob Allan (NAVCO, Inc.)

Next IBC Meeting, Monday, August 21, 2023

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CABA IBC meetings are open to CABA Members and invited guests, and everyone is encouraged to participate. <a href="CLICK HERE">CLICK HERE</a> for more info on the IBC, past minutes, participants, and terms of reference. Any CABA Member that attended as a guest will be added to the IBC unless they notify the CABA office by June 8, 2023, 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 IBC or CABA. <a href="CLICK HERE">CLICK HERE</a> for more information on the CABA Benefits and please circulate them to others in your organization.

Regards,

Greg Walker, CAE

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