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Smart Building Council

ASHB Smart Building Council (SBC)

Draft Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

12 NOON - 1:30 PM (ET) via Webinar

SBC Executive:

SBC Chair, Bob Allan (NAVCO, Inc.)

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

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

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

Present:

ABB, Inc., Wissam Ghousaini

ABB, Inc., Tim Forbes

ABB, Inc., Ken Minkowski

ABB, Inc., Brandon Voyles

ABB, Inc., Julie Petrone

ABB, Inc., Scott Holstein

Alpha Controls & Services, LLC, Dan Newkirk

Applied Controls/Air Comfort, Chuck Kormanik

Automated Building Controls, Francisco Molina

BASS, Jason Tucker

Bosch Building Technologies, Monica Holbrook

Building Control Integrators, Cody Chandler

buildinglogix, Kyle Kurtz

Caleb Controls, Antoine Karam

Canada Green Building Council (CaGBC), Mark Heilig

Capitol Automation, Todd Burlage

Chicago Faucets, Patrick Tanzillo

Clockworks Analytics, James Donahue

CU Boulder, Conrad Gutierrez

DAIKIN Industries Ltd., Bruno Mannello

DAIKIN Industries Ltd., Jakob Bennof

DAIKIN Industries Ltd., Karen Shamir

DAIKIN Industries Ltd., David Gaebel

DAIKIN Industries Ltd., Jim Pause

DAIKIN Industries Ltd., John Marden

DB Technologies, Natasha Sullivan

Delta Controls, Blake Stoddard

Delta Controls, Greg Jaman

DIBT, Torsten Kleiss

Distech Controls Inc., An Acuity Brands company, George West
DJ Smith Inc., Doug Smith
DLL, Laura Olah
eBuilding.ge, Gega Chumburidze
ECO EUROPE ENGINEERING, Levent Yilmaz
Egan Company, Jim Erickson
EMA Engineering & Consulting, Liam Urwiller
ESTech Energy Limited, Courtney-Ann Hanson
exp. US Services, Inc., Chris Larry
Ferguslea properties, Robert Mcmillan
Functional Devices, Inc., John Binger
GE Appliances, a Haier Company, Shawn Stover
Honeywell International, Inc., Sam Schreck
Honeywell International, Inc., Brad Hill
Honeywell International, Inc., Felanna Tantonio
Honeywell International, Inc., Max Lopp
inField Solutions Inc., Prasad Rao
International Facility Management Association (IFMA), Angie Dyson Angie Dyson
Johnson Controls, Inc., Tushar Phadtare
Johnson Controls, Inc., Janice Howse
Johnson Controls, Inc., Raymond Douglas
Johnson Controls, Inc., Charles Gans
Johnson Controls, Inc., Chip Dudley
Ken Wacks Associates, Kenneth Wacks
Knoll Engineering Inc., Knoll Raul
Legrand North America, Harold Jepsen
Legrand North America, Shana Longo
Les Contrôles Eurêka, Elie Karmouche
Lynxspring, Inc., Jeff Kegley
Lynxspring, Inc., Marc Petock
Modern Energy Advancements (MEA), Matt Trudeau
National Research Council Canada (NRC), Nik Ljiljanic
National Research Council Canada (NRC), Farzeen Rizvi
Natural Resources Canada (NRCan), CanmetENERGY, Bo Jiang
Neuronest, Masoud Fazli
NEXTIVITY, Brian Ensign
NLR, Xin Jin
Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance (NEEA), Juan Carlos Blacker
Nova Energy Solutions , Akwasi Cobby
Personal, Panos Dimos
PingCx, Haris Dervisevic
PingCx, Saheel Chandrani
Resideo Technologies, Inc., Blake Kozak
Salas O'Brien, Roger M Woods
Schneider Electric, Brad Bonfiglio
Schneider Electric, Dan Naylor

Schneider Electric, Duane Keenan
Siemens Industry, Inc., Chris Pelton
Siemens Industry, Inc., Eric Tasse
Siemens Industry, Inc., Hans-Joachim Langels
Siemens Industry, Inc., Michael White
Siemens Industry, Inc., Nicholas Franck
Smart Energy Water, Jason Likins
State of Oregon, DAS, Candice Bullard
Sustainable Resources Management Inc., David Katz
tekmar Control Systems Ltd., Eric Balt
Trane Technologies, Carlos Soberon
Trane Technologies, Glenn Gasmen
Trane Technologies, Marcus Ellson
Trane Technologies, Matthew Bye
Trane Technologies, Stephanie Birch
Trane Technologies, Akshatha Anderegg
TRC Companies, Kevin Fish
TRC Companies, Dusty Farrell
Tridium, Michael Mclaughlin
Tryg Group, Karl Cooper
Universal Control Systems , Kirby Nadado
University of Colorado Boulder, Nicholas Clements
Venaera Inc., Jordan Sotudeh
Volnergy, Kevin Sanchez
Yau Lee Construction Company Ltd., Andrew Ning
Yorkland Controls Ltd., Walt Fuhrer

SBC Meeting Agenda

Marta Klopotoska (ASHB) thanked everyone for attending, outlined the agenda, and alerted everyone that the meeting was being recorded and would be made available to the industry.

1. Call to Order, Welcome, Introduction, and About the SBC – Bob Allan (NAVCO Inc.)

Bob Allan welcomed attendees and provided a brief overview of the Smart Building Council and its mandate.

2. Administrative – Bob Allan (NAVCO Inc.)

Bob Allan informed everyone that the February 11, 2026, SBC meeting minutes were circulated and posted on the ASHB Website in the SBC section: [CLICK HERE](#).

3. Research Update – Greg Walker (ASHB) & Robert Lane (Robert H. Lane & Associates Inc.)

2025 SBC Landmark Research – Smart Building Trends & Technology Adoption



Robert Lane provided an update on the 2026 SBC Landmark Research project, Smart Building Trends & Technology Adoption. The project, valued at approximately \$80,000 USD and currently supported by 14 funders, is designed to provide industry insights into emerging technologies, market trends, adoption barriers, investment priorities, and the evolving needs of commercial building owners and operators.

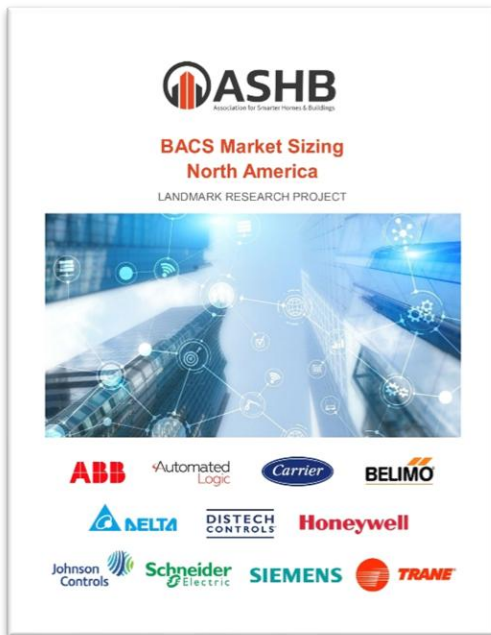
As part of the research, ASHB and Harbor Research will conduct a survey of 300 commercial building owners and operators across the United States and Canada. The project will include six Trend Analysis reports, with topics to be selected by the Steering Committee following the project launch. Silver-level funders participate on the

Steering Committee and play a key role in guiding the research direction and selecting the trend topics.

The research will examine areas influencing the future of smart buildings, including technology adoption, operational performance, sustainability, occupant experience, digital transformation, and emerging market opportunities. Deliverables will include survey findings, trend analysis reports, presentations, webinars, and supporting research materials.

Research activities are currently underway, with the Steering Committee expected to finalize the trend topics in the coming weeks. Final deliverables are scheduled to be released exclusively to project funders in Q4 2026. Members interested in supporting the project or participating in the Steering Committee were encouraged to contact ASHB staff for additional information..

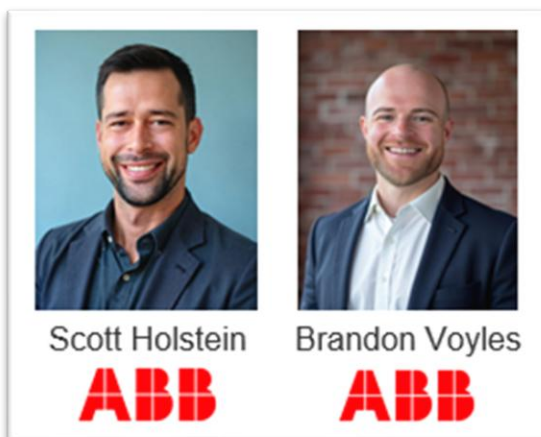
Annual BACS Market Sizing - North America



Greg Walker gave a brief overview of this annual, invitation-only, market sizing study focusing on building automation control systems. The project continues in 2026 and has expanded to additional field devices. Eleven (11) ASHB members have agreed to fund and participate in this research project:

4. Keynote Presentation: Making Building Analytics Pay Off - Turning Energy Data into Measurable Performance – Harsha Chandrashekar (Honeywell International, Inc.)

Harsha Chandrashekar introduced Scott Holstein and Brandon Voyles (ABB), who delivered the keynote presentation.



Description: Brandon Voyles, Regional Sales Manager, and Scott Holstein, Director of Sales at ABB HVAC Building Automation & Controls, discussed how building analytics programs can deliver long-term operational and energy savings beyond dashboards alone. Drawing on insights from the U.S. DOE's Smart Energy Analytics Campaign, the session explores practical strategies for proving ROI, sustaining performance improvements, and overcoming common adoption challenges.

5. ASHB Podcast – Chris Larry (EXP)

Chris Larry outlined ASHB's Podcast series on [Spotify](#) and [Apple Podcasts](#). ASHB's most recent recordings focused on AI's impact on smart buildings, the evolution of fire

safety technologies, and collaborative efforts in solar energy. Contact ASHB to learn how to participate as a guest or host on a future episode at admin@ashb.com.

6. ASHB White Papers & Members Library - Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks Associates)

An overview was given of the SBC White Paper review process, completed SBC White Papers, and papers in progress. SBC 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 SBC White Paper Sub-Committee (WPSC), they must have significant technical material of relevance to SBC members. They must not contain marketing material or promote an agenda. Any ASHB member can and is encouraged to complete the [white paper proposal](#) on the ASHB website.

All completed and approved ASHB White Papers are placed in the ASHB Public Library, Members Library, ASHB NewsBrief, ASHB Twitter Feed, and ASHB LinkedIn Group and promoted at industry events. To view the SBC White Paper terms of reference, previous SBC White Papers, and additional information, please go to: www.ashb.com/whitepapers.

SBC 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

The ASHB Research Library is a valuable resource offering in-depth insights into the latest trends, technologies, and best practices in smarter homes and buildings. Members gain exclusive access to industry-leading research, white papers, and reports covering topics like IoT, AI, cybersecurity, energy management, and more. Non-members can explore select content. This library serves as a knowledge hub for professionals looking to stay ahead in the rapidly evolving smart building and home automation industries. To learn more visit www.ashb.com/ashb-library/.

7. ASHB Journal - Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks Associates)

Ken Wacks presented the ASHB Journal and urged all attendees to contribute their articles for consideration. If you're interested in submitting a proposal or an article, you can reach out to admin@ashb.com or kenn@alum.mit.edu.

8. Other Business – Bob Allan (NAVCO Inc.)

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

No new business was brought forward for discussion.

9. Announcements – Robert Lane (Robert H. Lane & Associates Inc.)

Upcoming Events

[Realcomm | IBCon](#) – June 3-4 | San Diego, CA - ASHB will be in attendance and will host the ASHB Board of Directors meeting in conjunction with it

[Infocomm](#) – June 13-19 | San Diego, CA – ASHB will be in attendance

[NexusCon](#) – October 5-7 | Detroit, MI – ASHB attending

[Greenbuild](#) – October 20-23 | New York City

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

The next SBC Meeting will be held in August 2026.

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ASHB SBC meetings are open to ASHB Members and invited guests, and everyone is encouraged to participate. [CLICK HERE](#) for more info on the SBC, past minutes, participants, and terms of reference. Any ASHB Member who attended as a guest will be added to the SBC unless they notify ASHB that their name should not be added. Non-ASHB members who attended this meeting as guests should contact ASHB at admin@ashb.com to indicate if they wish to join the SBC or ASHB. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information on the ASHB Benefits, and please circulate them to others in your organization.

Regards,

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