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I, Eugene Bunting, Secretary of State of the State of Delaware do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Certificate of Incorporation of the "ASBESTOS INFORMATION ASSOCIATION/NORTH AMERICA" as received and filed in this office the twelfth day of April, A.D. 1971, at 9 o'clock A.M.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Dover this twelfth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one.

Eugene Bunting
Secretary of State

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A meeting of the Board of Directors was held pursuant to notice on October 21, 1971, at 10:00 A.M. at 22 East 40th Street, New York, New York. The following members were present by their indicated representatives:

Atlas Asbestos Company	George Barge
Certain-teed Products Corporation	W. E. Gatewood
Flintkote Company	J. A. Rishel
GAF Corporation	R. Power Fraser
Johns-Manville Corporation	F. J. Solon, Jr.
National Gypsum Company	A. H. Fay
Panacon Corporation	E. W. Swain
Raybestos-Manhattan Corporation	I. H. Weaver

Also present were W. P. Raines, M. M. Swetonic and G. Earl Parker, Johns-Manville Corporation; and Bradley Walls and M. Neville, Burns, Van Kirk, Jube & Kafer. Mr. Fay acted as Chairman of the meeting and Mr. Swetonic acted as secretary and kept the minutes thereof.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Board were approved as presented.

Mr. Parker reported on two suggested changes in the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws of the Association. The first would establish a Board of Directors of no more than nine members, at least a majority of which would have to be elected

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from among the founding members ("Founding Member" would be interpreted so as to include Atlas Asbestos Company). The second suggested change would substitute the words "North American" for "United States" in the definition of member companies. A motion to approve these suggested changes was made and seconded, and was approved.

Mr. Raines reported on the three hearings held this month by the Illinois Pollution Control Board on proposed regulations affecting asbestos. A written report on the hearings, together with copies of important testimony, including the AIA/NA presentation as given by Dr. F. L. Pundsack of Johns-Manville, will be sent to the Board the week of October 25.

Mr. Solon recommended that further efforts be made to meet with members of the Pullution Control Board on the regulations. A list of all Control Board members will be circulated to the AIA/NA Board to determine if any member company has a personal contact with any member of the Control Board.

Mr. Raines reported on the status of the Federal EPA Standards. Latest information is that the standards will not be published in the Federal Register for between two and six weeks, probably closer to the six weeks estimate. The AIA/NA is making efforts to obtain a copy of the latest version of the standards which may be freely distributed to all member companies for study.

Copies of an article from the NEW YORKER magazine on asbestos-spraying were distributed to the Board members. The author of the article, Paul Brodeur, has promised to visit the Johns-Manville Research and Engineering Center on October 28 to discuss the asbestos-health situation with J-M personnel. Brodeur is the author of the infamous 1968 article, "The Magic Mineral," which also apprared in the NEW YORKER.

Mr. Swetonic reported that ABC-TV is planning a segment for their national evening news on asbestos-health, primarily on sprayed asbestos. Contact has been established with a researcher for ABC-TV Science Editor Jules Bergman, and informational material has been sent to the station.

Mr. Raines and Mr. Swetonic had a luncheon meeting on October 18 with an editor from BUSINESS WEEK, which is interested in doing an article on the effect of the EPA regulations on the asbestos industry.

The printing of the AIA/NA Question and Answer Card has been completed. All member companies have received their orders, with the exception of Atlas Asbestos, which has been subsequently taken care of.

A general discussion was held of the dues structure and budget for 1972. A final dues structure of 50¢ per ton of asbestos converted in 1970, with a minimum of $2,000, was approved. This structure will produce revenue for 1972 from the founding companies of approximately $170,000. New members will be added at the same dues structure, with the exception that non-converters (miners, importers, etc.) will be assessed a flat fee of $2,000. A letter to this effect will be sent to all those companies that expressed interest in the AIA/NA or who attended the September industry seminar. If, within three weeks after the sending of the letters, a reply has not been received, the potential new member companies will be contacted by Board members according to a list put together at the Board meeting. Mr. Swetonic will notify the appropriate Directors as to which, if any, of their "prospects" have not replied within three weeks after the mailing.

Mr. Raines reported that he has received information from two crocidolite distributors that the Senate Commerce Committee is planning to recommend a complete ban on the importation of blue fiber. Investigations in Washington thus far indicate no such intention on the part of the Commerce Committee. However, this matter is being followed closely. It was the feeling of the Board that if such a ban is proposed, the AIA/NA should oppose it. Mr. Solon will contact Dr. George Wright to discuss the nature and basis of such opposition.

Mr. Walls reported on the proposal put forth at the last meeting of the Board for a legal sub-committee to be established within the AIA/NA to exchange legal information with regard to asbestos-health litigation. Mr. Walls recommended that this would not be a proper function of the AIA/NA. A motion was passed that each Board member inform the management of his company that it was the opinion of the AIA/NA that cooperation between the legal staffs of the various member companies with regard to asbestos-health litigation should be encouraged, but that this was not a proper function of the AIA/NA.

A special meeting of the Board will be held as soon as practical after the publication of the Federal EPA regulations.

The next regular meeting of theBoard will be held in February 1972 at the Flintkote Company offices in White Plains, New York. Mr. Raines will poll the directors by mail to determine the best date for the meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded, adjourned.

M. M. Swetonic
Secretary for the Meeting

ASBESTOS INFORMATION ASSOCIATION/NORTH AMERICA

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held pursuant to notice on September 21, 1971, at 4:00 P.M. at 38 East 37th Street, New York, New York. The following members were present by their indicated representatives:

Atlas Asbestos Company	--- George Barge
Certain-teed Products Corporation	--- Larry Woodward
GAF Corporation	--- Frank Campagna
Johns-Manville Corporation	--- W. P. Raines
National Gypsum Company	--- A. H. Fay
Panacon Corporation	--- E. W. Swain
Raybestos-Manhattan Corporation	--- E. P. Stefl

Also present were M. M. Swetonic, E. M. Fenner and G. Earl Parker, Johns-Manville Corporation; Carl Thompson and Jim Callaghan, Hill & Knowlton, Inc.; Bradley Walls of Burns; Van Kirk, Jube & Kafer; and Gene Anderson, legal counsel, Keene Corporation. Mr. Fay acted as Chairman of the meeting and Mr. Swetonic acted as secretary and kept the minutes thereof.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Board were approved as presented. On behalf of the member companies of the Association, Mr. Fay congratulated all those involved in the industry orientation seminar on asbestos-health.

Mr. Fenner reported on a meeting held in Durham, North Carolina, on September 2 with EPA officials involved in revising the proposed Federal asbestos regulations. Among the major changes

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in the regulations were the following:

1. A standard of "no visible emissions" has been adopted.
2. There are no labeling requirements in the revised draft.
3. There are no specific bans of asbestos fiber usage. The first draft banned spray fireproofing and insulation compounds containing asbestos.
4. Throughout the standards the statement is made that the amount of fiber emitted to the air from any asbestos using operation shall not exceed the amount of fiber that would be present in the contaminated air if it had been filtered through a fabric bag filter.
5. The requirement for wetting prior to blasting has been deleted.
6. All references to block insulation have been deleted.

The revised regulations are due to be published in the Federal Register on or before September 27, with hearings to be held within 30 days of the publication date. It was agreed that a meeting of the AIA/NA Board of Directors be held as soon as possible after the regulations appear in the Federal Register to discuss the revisions and the steps that the Association should take with regard to the public hearings. October 4 was tentatively agreed upon as the date for the meeting.

Gene Anderson, legal counsel for Keene Corporation, presented an idea for the formation of a legal sub-committee within the AIA/NA to exchange legal information with regard to asbestos-health litigation. The matter was referred to Bradley Walls for further study. Mr. Walls will report on this subject at a future meeting of the Board and will present his recommendation.

W. P. Raines reported briefly on the meeting held on Septemer 17 with representatives of the Illinois Pollution Control Board. A full report has been sent to all AIA/NA member companies.

A general discussion was held on procedures for adding new members to the Association. It was the consensus that the dues structure for new members should be the same as for the present membership (i.e. a set amount per ton of asbestos consumed in North America) with a minimum of $2,000, and that new members be added to the Association on a full membership basis, rather than as associate members. Consideration also must be given as to how to assess potential members who are asbestos miners but do <u>not</u> belong to Q.A.M.A. ~~First~~ It was the sense of the Board that no other associations (such as ATI) should be admitted as "members" of AIA/NA.

It was recommended that a change be made in the bylaws requiring that at least two-thirds of the members of the Board of Directors be selected from the founding companies. A final decision as to the procedures for adding new members to the Association will be made at the next meeting of the Board.

Mr. Raines asked the Board members, if they wish to talk to either him or Matt Swetonic, to call them at Johns-Manville rather than to use the AIA/NA phone number, which is an answering service.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded, adjourned.

M. M. Swetonic
Secretary for the Meeting

ASBESTOS INFORMATION ASSOCIATION/NORTH AMERICA

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held pursuant to notice on August 24, 1971 at 10:15 A.M. at 22 East 40th Street, New York, N.Y. The following members were present by their indicated representatives:

Atlas Asbestos Company	---	George Barge
Cerain-teed Products Corporation	---	Harold McNabb
Flintkote Company	---	J. A. Rishel
GAF Corporation	---	Frank Campagna
Johns-Manville Corporation	---	F. J. Solon, Jr.
National Gypsum Company	---	A. H. Fay
Panacon Corporation	---	E. W. Swain
Raybestos-Manhattan Corporation	---	E. P. Stefl

Also present were W. P. Raines, M. M. Swetonic, E. M. Fenner and G. Earl Parker, Johns-Manville Corporation; Larry Woodward, Certain-teed Products Corporation; and Carl Thompson and Jim Callaghan of Hill & Knowlton, Inc. Mr. McNabb acted as Chairman of the meeting and Mr. Swetonic acted as secretary and kept the minutes thereof.

Present by special invitation of the Board were: Bradley Walls of Burns, Van Kirk, Jube & Kafer; Herbert Sunbury, Asbestos Textile Institute; Isaac Weaver, Raybestos-Manhattan Corporation; C. L. Sheckl who represented the National Insulation Manufacturers Association and the Asbestos Cement Products Association; and Jack Barnhart of NIMA.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Board were approved as presented. Mr. McNabb informed the Board that because of a recent change in job assignment at his company, he would no longer represent Certain-teed Products Corporation on the AIA/NA Board of Directors.

Mr. McNabb's position will be filled by Wes Gatewood.

The Chairman asked Mr. Fenner to report on the meeting of the Federal Environmental Protection Agency advisory committee on asbestos held August 17 in Atlanta to review the proposed National Emission Standards for Asbestos. Mr. Fenner distributed the following four documents as part of his presentation:

1. Comments and Suggestions from the AIA/NA relative to the proposed standards --- this document was distributed to the participants at the Atlanta meeting and reflected the discussion on the proposed standards held at the AIA/N Board of Directors meeting on August 11.
2. A listing of the attendees at the Atlanta meeting.
3. A summary report on the Atlanta meeting, indicating which of the AIA/NA Comments & Suggestions appear likely to be incorporated into the next version of the EPA regulations.
4. A copy of a letter from Mr. Fenner to Dr. George W. Wright setting forth the major ideas and comments expressed by Dr Irving J. Selikoff at the Atlanta meeting.

It was generally agreed that Dr. Selikoff's efforts to bring about an occupational TLV of 2 fibers per cc under the Occupational Safety & Health Act could, if successful, have a disasterous effect on the industry. It was agreed that industry efforts should be undertaken to push for a 5 fiber level. Mr. Sheckler agreed to work through Dr. Lewis Cralley and the ATI to put data from the Public Health Service Study on the asbestos industry in the hands of Dr. Marcus Key of the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, which will recommend the new occupational standard.

Mr. Fenner outlined the following calendar for the Federal asbestos emission standards:

1. Revised standards to be published in Federal Register on or before September 28.
2. Public hearings to be held on the proposed standards within 30 days of their publication in the Federal Registe --- this would place the hearings probably sometime in late October.
3. Additional written evidence may be submitted up to 30 days following the hearings.
4. The standards, as revised based on testimony presented at the hearings, will go into effect 180 days after the September publication in the Federal Register. The standards would thus become effective on or before March 25, 1972.
5. They will apply immediately to structures under constructi and to existing structures within 90 days (around the end of June).
6. Extensions of up to 2 years can be applied for, under the 1

Mr. Fenner said that the participants at the Atlanta meeting were told that they could submit additional evidence to the EPA up to September 1. Dr. George Wright is preparing a letter refuting aspect of Dr. Selikoff's comments at the meeting. Mr. Fenner will submit this letter along with the results of asbestos-asphalt paving wear tests to the EPA. Mr. Fenner is also planning, if at all possible, to meet with Dale Slaughter of the EPA, who will be responsible for rewriting the standards, to discuss the revisions with him. This meeting, if it takes place, will be between Sept. 1 and Sept. 7.

With regard to the October hearings, Mr. Fenner commented that the general practice at such hearings is for individual companies, rather than associations, to present testimony. The AIA/NA will hold a "coaching session" for industry executives who might testify at the hearings.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded, adjourned.

Pursuant to a motion duly made and seconded at the August 11 meeting of the Board of Directors, the Annual Meeting of members of the AIA/NA was held on August 24 at 2:00 P.M. at the Williams Club, 24 East 39th Street, New York, N.Y.

Those in attendance were the same as at the morning meeting of the Association, with the exception of Mr. Sunbury, Mr. Sheckler, Mr. Barnhart and Mr. Parker, who did not attend.

The Chairman called for a motion on the election of a Board of Directors for the coming year, to serve beginning as of the time of their election. A motion was duly made and seconded that the Board of Directors of the AIA/NA should consist of the following nine companies:

Atlas Asbestos Company
Certain-teed Products Corporation
Flintkote Company
GAF Corporation
Johns-Manville Corporation
National Gypsum Company
Panacon Corporation
Raybestos-Manhattan Corporation
Cement Asbestos Products Company

The motion was carried by voice vote.

The Chairman then asked Mr. Fay, Chairman of the Dues Committee, to report on the recommendations of his committee as to the dues structure for the coming fiscal (calendar) year. Mr. Fay reported that based on the tentative minimum budget of $285,000 drawn up by Mr. Raines, and on the asbestos consumption figures submitted in confidence to Mr. Walls by each of the member companies (the total being 343,000 tons), the cost to each member company would be 83 1/3¢ per ton. Each Board member was asked to seek authorization from his company so that the dues structure could be formally approved at the next meeting of the Board of Directors.

There being no further business, the Annual Meeting was, on motic duly made and seconded, adjourned, and the regular meeting of the Board resumed.

The Chairman called on the AIA/NA nominating committee, consisting of Mr. McNabb, Mr. Rishel and Mr. Swain. They moved to nominate the following slate of officers to serve for the coming year, beginning a the time of their election.

President	---	A. H. Fay
Vice President	---	E. P. Stefl
Vice President	---	J. A. Rishel
Secretary	---	W. P. Raines
Treasurer	---	Bradley Walls

The motion, after having been seconded, was carried by acclamatio

Mr. Fay, as the new President of the Association, succeeded Mr. McNabb as Chairman of the meeting.

Mr. McNabb then moved that the following individuals be re-appointed to the Administrative Sub-Committee, with Hill & Knowlton to serve as public relations counsel.

M. M. Swetonic

Larry Woodward

E. M. Fenner

The motion, after having been seconded, was carried by acclamation

The Chairman outlined the budget of $285,000 as drawn up by Mr. Raines and recommended that any additional funds generated by the adding of new members to the association should be kept in reserve for contingency purposes. A motion was duly made and seconded to approve the $285,000 minimum budget for fiscal 1972, and was carried by voice vote.

A motion was made that dues be collected on a quarterly basis, the first installment covering January 1, 1972 to March 31, 1972 to be due on January 1, 1972. The motion, after being seconded, was carried by voice vote.

A motion was duly made and seconded to have Mr. Walls set up a bank account in the name of the Association. The motion was carried by voice vote.

Mr. Raines asked for comments on the letter and prospectus proposed for sending to potential new members for the Association inviting them to attend an orientation seminar in New York in September. Several comments were made and discussed.

A general discussion was held on various aspects of the new membership drive. A motion was made and seconded to hold the seminar along the same lines as discussed at a previous meeting of the Board of Directors. The motion was carried by voice vote. It was recommended by Mr. Barge that the Association also invite, as observers, representatives of various asbestos trade associations to the September seminar. September 21 was approved as the most convenient date for the seminar.

A suggestion was made that a representative from QAMA be invited to participate in the seminar by outlining for those attending the medical research being sponsored by QAMA through the IOEH.

The procedures for inviting companies to the seminar were approve as follows:

1. A letter of invitation together with the prospectus will be sent to each potential new member, the letter to be signed by a representative from each Board company.
2. Personalized follow-ups, either by phone or in writing, will be made by executives in AIA/NA member companies who are familiar with executives in the potential member compan
3. Each AIA/NA Board member will be sent a copy of the list of potential new members. Any suggested additions to the list should be communicated to Mr. Raines so that they may be sent an invitation.

Mr. Swetonic reported that, final approvals and orders having been received, the AIA/NA "Question & Answer" card is now in production and will be available in about three weeks. The cost to the individual member companies for the cards they ordered will be 3½¢ apiece. A reserve of 5,500 cards will be available for those member companies that wish to order additional cards.

Mr. Swetonic reported that approval from Dr. Wright on the "Histo of Industry Sponsored Asbestos-Health Research" is expected daily, and that once it is received, copies will be sent to the members of the Board for their approval.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded, adjourned.

M. M. Swetonic

Secretary for the Meeting

ASBESTOS INFORMATION ASSOCIATION/NORTH AMERICA

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held pursuant to notice on August 11, 1971 at 10:15 A. M. at 22 East 40th Street, New York, N. Y. The following members were present by their indicated representatives:

Certain-teed Products Corporation	- Harold McNabb
Flintkote Company	- R. Hooker
GAF Corporation	- Charles Bien
Johns-Manville Corporation	- W. P. Raines
National Gypsum Corporation	- A. H. Fay
Panacon Corporation	- E. W. Swain
Raybestos-Manhattan Corporation	- I. Weaver

Also present were M. M. Swetonic, E. M. Fenner and G. Earl Parker, Johns-Manville Corporation; Larry Woodward, Certain-teed Products Corporation; and Carl Thompson of Hill and Knowlton, Inc. Mr. McNabb acted as Chairman of the meeting and Mr. Parker acted as Secretary and kept the minutes thereof.

Present by special invitation of the Board were: Dr. George W. Wright, Director of Medical Research, St. Lukes Hospital, Cleveland; Herbert Sunbury, Asbestos Textile Institute; Wes Gatewood, Certain-teed Products Corporation; Frank Zimmerman, National Gypsum; C. L. Sheckler, who represented N. I. M. A. (National Insulation Manufacturers Association) and Asbestos Cement Products Association; Jack Barnhart, N. I. M. A. and John Vyverberg of Owens Corning who also represented N. I. M. A.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Board were approved as presented. The Chairman advised that draft regulations of the Federal Environmental Protection Agency National Emission Standards For Asbestos had been received. Industry representatives on the Advisory Committee appointed by the Environmental Protection Agency had requested the views of the Association as to the regulations. The proposed regulations were considered point-by-point by the representatives present and various suggestions, comments and recommendations were made. Mr. Fenner expressed his appreciation for the suggestions made and stated that he would advise the Association as to the results of the Committee's deliberations.

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The Chairman advised the members that the Annual Meeting of members was set in the By-Laws as the second Wednesday in September of each year. The Chairman recommended that the 1971 meeting be set for August 24. Whereupon on motion duly made and seconded, it was:

RESOLVED that the Annual Meeting of members of the Asbestos Information Association/North America shall be held on August 24, 1971 at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon at the Williams Club, 24 East 39th Street, New York, N. Y.

The Chairman further recommended the convening of a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors to be held immediately preceding the Annual Meeting of members to hear a report from Mr. Fenner on the results of the E. P. A. Advisory Committee meeting. The Secretary was authorized to call such Special Meeting of Directors at his discretion. The membership was reminded to submit to the outside legal counsel for the Association, in confidence, figures concerning the quantities of asbestos fiber consumed by the member during fiscal 1970 in the United States and Canada. This information was to be used in developing dues criteria for the coming year.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded, adjourned.

B. Paul Parker
Secretary

ASBESTOS INFORMATION ASSOCIATION/NORTH AMERICA

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held pursuant to notice on April 16, 1971 at 10:00 A. M. at 22 East 40th Street, New York, New York. The following members were present by their indicated representatives:

Certain-teed Products Corporation	-	Harold McNabb
Flintkote Company	-	J. A. Rishel
GAF Corporation	-	R. Power Fraser
Johns-Manville Corporation	-	F. J. Solon, Jr.
National Gypsum Corporation	-	A. H. Fay
Panacon Corporation	-	E. W. Swain
Raybestos-Manhattan Corporation	-	Dr. E. P. Stefl

Also present were W. P. Raines, M. M. Swetonic, E. M. Fenner and G. Earl Parker, Johns-Manville Corporation, Carl Thompson and James C. Callaghan of Hill and Knowlton, Inc. Mr. McNabb acted as Chairman of the meeting and Mr. Parker acted as Secretary and kept the minutes thereof.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the meeting of February 25, 1971 were approved. Prior to incorporation, the Association had elected officers. It was explained that it now would be appropriate for the Board to ratify the actions of those officers and to formally elect officers for the ensuing year. Whereupon, motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED that the actions taken by the incorporator and designated representatives prior to incorporation be, and the same hereby are, ratified;

RESOLVED that the below named persons be, and each of them hereby is, elected to the office set forth opposite his name, each to serve until the First Meeting of Directors following the next Annual Meeting of Members and until his successor shall be duly elected and shall have qualified.

Harold McNabb	-	President
F. J. Solon, Jr.	-	Vice President
W. P. Raines	-	Secretary
J. J. Spangenberg	-	Treasurer
G. Earl Parker	-	Assistant Secretary

The Board discussed relations with the Asbestos Information Committee of Great Britain. It was determined that the Association should exchange information with the English Committee and Mr. Raines was authorized to communicate the activities of the Association to the Committee.

It was reported that the I. O. E. H. Scientific Advisory Board would be willing to advise the A. I. A./N. A. on medical questions presented from time to time.

It was suggested that the question of retaining legal counsel be evaluated. Mr. Parker was requested to obtain a survey as to legal recourse available, in the event decisions unfavorable to the Association were made.

Recent publicity concerning the use of asbestos in textiles made into women's coats was discussed. It was the opinion of the Board that the use of such textiles had ceased and that such use had been made primarily for the purpose of avoiding import duties.

The pending hearings by various municipal and legislative bodies on the control of asbestos were discussed. It was emphasized that the Association must have an adequate number of qualified witnesses to appear at such hearings. Members were requested to nominate qualified individuals who would be available for such testimony. It was further suggested that medical officers of members should organize a seminar for further education and exchange of information.

Mr. Fay and Mr. Rishel were requested to report on dues and membership. Mr. Swetonic was requested to prepare a list of possible new members. A seminar for Washington representatives of members was suggested. Such seminar was to be conducted with the assistance of Hill and Knowlton, Inc.

The Board discussed efforts to inform the Environment Protection Administration of the Association's position in relation to asbestos and the environment. Representatives of the Association were to meet with Mr. William D. Ruckelshaus or his representative to offer the assistance of the Association.

There being no further business, the meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded adjourned.

S. Earl Parker

Secretary

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ASBESTOS INFORMATION ASSOCIATION/NORTH AMERICA

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held pursuant to notice on July 7, 1971 at 10:00 A. M. at 22 East 40th Street, New York, N. Y. The following members were present by their indicated representatives:

Flintkote Company	- J. A. Rishel
Johns-Manville Corporation	- W. P. Raines
National Gypsum Corporation	- A. H Fay
Panacon Corp.	- E. W. Swain
Raybestos-Manhattan Corporation	- E. P. Stefl

Also present, at the invitation of the Board, were the following members of the Administrative Sub-Committee: E. M. Fenner, M. M Swetonic, Carl Thompson and James Callaghan. Also present was G. Earl Parker, Assistant Secretary of the Association. Present by special invitation of the Board was George Barge, Executive Vice President, Atlas Asbestos Co., Vincent Greene of Armstrong Cork, and A. R. Rump of U. S. Gypsum.

Mr. Fay acted as Chairman of the meeting and Mr. Parker acted as Secretary of the meeting and kept the minutes thereof.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on April 16, 1971 were approved.

The Chairman informed the Board that Atlas Asbestos Co. had applied for membership in the Association. Whereupon, on motion duly made and seconded, the application of Atlas Asbestos Co. for membership in the Association was unanimously approved. The Chairman advised the Board that the By-Laws provided that membership on the Board of Directors shall be not less than five or more than fifteen representatives as established by resolution of the Board.

It was recommended that Atlas Asbestos Co. be elected as a Director. Whereupon, on motion duly made and seconded, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

RESOLVED that the number of Directors of the Association shall be nine.

RESOLVED that Atlas Asbestos Co. be, and it hereby is, elected a Director of the Association to serve until the next Annual Meeting of the members of the Association or until its successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified.

Thereupon, Atlas Asbestos Co., by its designated representative, George Barge, joined the meeting as a Director and participated in its deliberations.

The Chairman informed the Board that U. S. Gypsum and Armstrong Cork had been tendered an invitation to join the Association.

Mr. Raines discussed the proposed Environmental Protection Agency regulations and the hearings to be held thereon. The Board authorized the presentation of testimony on behalf of the Association at the scheduled hearings in Washington. The Chairman will designate a spokesman for the Association after further study of the proposed regulations. Mr. Fenner is to communicate to the Board on the proposed regulations as soon as he receives them (probably early August).

Mr. Raines and Mr. Swetonic discussed the status of other proposed regulations dealing with the banning of asbestos spray and the control of asbestos use. Particular emphasis was given to the proposed regulations of the Illinois Pollution Control Board. The Chairman designated Mr. E. P. Stefl as Chairman of a committee charged with investigation of the proposed regulations on asbestos emissions and products.

The Committee Chairman was to select additional members of the committee. The Committee will recommend actions to be taken in respect of the proposed Illinois regulations. The Friction Materials Standards Institute will be consulted with a view towards obtaining their cooperation in this effort.

Mr. Raines informed the Board that the Food and Drug Administration is in the process of deciding whether or not to recall all asbestos-containing wool coats now on the market or already sold. The Board was requested to advise the Committee on what position should be taken in respect of the use of asbestos in general wearing apparel. It was the consensus of the Board that the use of asbestos as an additive in textiles for general wearing apparel was a mis-application of the unique characteristics of asbestos. Evidence adduced to date would not indicate a hazard to the wearer under normal conditions. Nevertheless, it was the consensus of the Board that the government action to restrict further manufacture of these coats, as a precautionary measure, was in the public interest. The results of tests conducted by a member of the Association are to be made available to the Board.

The Board discussed a pending Senate bill to amend the Federal Hazardous Substances Act. The proposed amendment may be cited as the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1971. It was pointed out that the word "toxic" would not, under generally accepted definitions, include asbestos which is an inert substance. It was further pointed out that the term "chemical substance" would also, under generally accepted definitions, exclude asbestos. Nevertheless, it was the understanding of some members of the Committee that asbestos was one of the substances being considered by the Committee staff in drafting the proposed Act. It was the consensus of the Association that the viewpoint of the Association should be made known to the Senate Commerce Committee, and the Chairman appointed E. P. Stefl as Chairman of a committee to inquire into the proposed Act and to prepare and arrange for presentation of the viewpoint of the Association.

The Board discussed the desirability of having counsel for the Association separate from counsel for any of the individual members thereof. Whereupon, after discussion and on motion duly made and seconded, Bradley Walls of Burns, Van Kirk, Jube & Kafer, New York City, was selected as counsel for the Association.

The difficulty in finding a convenient time for meetings of the Board was observed. The Chairman authorized the Secretary to call special meetings of the Board of Directors when necessary to tend to pressing matters.

Mr. Fenner informed the Board that he had been requested to chair a committee of the National Standards Institute to develop asbestos emission standards for industry. Mr. Fenner requested the names of volunteers from member companies to serve on that committee. National Gypsum, Raybestos-Manhattan and Flintkote representatives indicated that appropriate personnel from their respective companies would be available for such service.

Advertising being placed over the name of the Association was discussed. A copy of the most recent advertisement was distributed and various members requested reprints of such advertisement for their use.

For planning purposes, an estimated budget for 1972 was distributed to the Directors. The budget, described as the minimum essential, was discussed item by item. The Chairman indicated that a formal budget would be presented to a subsequent meeting of the Board for adoption.

The Committee on dues and membership presented its report. The Committee recommended that members who serve on the Board of Directors (active members) be assessed dues in proportion to their conversion of asbestos fiber. Active members who mine asbestos fiber and who do not support the Quebec Asbestos Mining Association would pay dues on the basis of their production of asbestos fiber. Other members would be assessed dues on the basis of a flat annual fee. The figure of $5,000 was suggested as an appropriate annual dues for such supporting members. Each member will be requested to submit to Association counsel its annual conversion of asbestos fiber in 1970. Such figures are to be maintained in confidence by counsel who will compile the figures and make known to the Association the total tonnage of fiber converted by member companies during 1970. On the basis of such figures, the Board will establish dues in 1971 of a number of cents per ton. Counsel will then assess dues on the basis of tonnage figures presented by the members.

The Chairman of the Administrative Committee was authorized to cooperate with counsel in soliciting the membership usage of asbestos fiber.

It was proposed that a seminar on asbestos and health be arranged during the early part of September. Prospective supporting members of the Association are to be invited to attend. Copies of the invitation and a prospectus are to be provided to the Board for review and comment prior to distribution thereof. A list of approximately two dozen prospective supporting members which had been compiled by the Membership Committee was read to the Board. Other names were suggested by the Board. Members were assigned the responsibility of contacting the prospective members and inviting them to attend the proposed seminar.

Upon his request, the Secretary was authorized to change the telephone and office address of the Association.

The status of regulations on the spraying of asbestos for the purpose of fire prevention and retardation was discussed. It was the consensus of the Board that the efforts of the Association could more profitably be directed toward other areas of concern.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meetion was, on motion duly made and seconded, adjourned.

S. Carl Parker

Secretary

ASBESTOS INFORMATION ASSOCIATION/NORTH AMERICA

A pre-incorporation meeting of the Board of Directors was held jointly with the Administrative Committee on February 25, 1971 at 9:45 a.m. in the offices of Hill and Knowlton, Inc., 150 E. 42nd Street, New York, N. Y.

The following members were present by their indicated representatives:

Certain-teed Products Corporation	-	Harold McNabb
Flintkote Company	-	Jim Moran J. A. Rishel
GAF Corporation	-	R. Power Fraser
Johns-Manville Corporation	-	F. J. Solon, Jr. W. P. Raines M. M. Swetonic
National Gypsum Corporation	-	A. H. Fay
Panacon Corporation	-	E. W. Swain
Raybestos-Manhattan Corporation	-	I. H. Weaver

Also present was G. Earl Parker, Counsel, Johns-Manville Corporation, who acted as Secretary of the meeting and kept the minutes thereof. Present from Hill and Knowlton, Inc., Public Relations Counsel, were W. A. Durbin, Carl Thompson and James C. Callaghan.

Mr. McNabb acted as Chairman of the meeting. The Chairman reviewed the actions taken at the last meeting of the Board and presented the minutes of that meeting which had been held on December 4, 1970. Upon motion, made and seconded the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman requested Mr. Parker to report on the incorporation of the Association. The members were presented with copies of a proposed Certificate of Incorporation which incorporated changes suggested by Flintkote Corporation and other members. These changes basically consisted of defining members as corporations rather than as individuals.

The proposed Certificate of Incorporation was discussed item by item and, upon motion, duly made and seconded the Certificate was approved and the Secretary was instructed to take whatever actions were necessary to complete the incorporation of the Association.

A set of proposed By-Laws were presented to the Board. The members discussed the By-Laws section by section. A number of changes in the proposed By-Laws were adopted by the Board and, upon motion, duly made and seconded, the By-Laws presented, as modified, were approved. The Secretary was requested to take the necessary action to see that the By-Laws were constituted as the By-Laws for the Association.

At the request of the Chairman, Mr. Raines and Mr. Swetonic reported on hearings conducted by various Government bodies on the question of spraying asbestos. Mr. Raines stated that Fred Pundsack, Vice President for Research, Johns-Manville Corporation, had testified on behalf of the Association before the New York City Council. The Council had apparently pre-determined its position and the hearings conducted appeared to be a mere formality. No questions were asked of Dr. Pundsack by the Council. Mr. Raines reported that Dr. Irving Selikoff had declined to testify before the Council in as much as the Council refused to schedule speakers at any given time.

In addition to New York, legislation is pending in at least five jurisdictions. In Chicago, hearings are pending on a Department of Environmental Control sponsored ordinance which would control the use of sprayed asbestos. In Philadelphia, a proposed threshold limit of five fibers per c.c. was being proposed as the permissible limit for fibers in connection with construction. The Boston Air Pollution Control Commission is to conduct hearings on a proposed ban of asbestos spray.

A bill is pending in the New York State Senate which would require a permit for the application of any surface coating containing asbestos. In Los Angeles, the environmental control agencies are considering the question of health hazards resulting from sprayed asbestos.

Mr. F. J. Solon, Jr. recommended that the members use their sales offices around the country as hearing posts to assist the Association in obtaining information as to intended hearings. It was recommended that each member appoint an individual to relay such information to the Association's Administrative Committee.

Mr. Swain indicated that Cleveland was becoming more active in environmental control programs. Mr. Weaver commented on a bill pending before the California Assembly which would prohibit asbestos in duct linings. The bill would have retroactive application to public buildings such as hospitals and schools.

Mr. Swetonic commented that Dr. Pundsack had undergone extensive preparation qualifying him to testify at hearings such as those described above. It was recommended that the Association take steps to prepare additional people for such roles.

Mr. Carl Thompson reported plans for a Press briefing to be held on March 2 at the Overseas Press Club. Press kits prepared for this briefing were presented and discussed. A copy of such kits is to be provided for each member.

Mr. Raines reported on activities of the Administrative Committee which consist of, in addition to Mr. Raines, Larry Woodward, E. M. Fenner, M. M. Swetonic and representatives of Hill and Knowlton. The Committee had revised the Association's position papers on asbestos. The Committee had also arranged for the Press briefing which had been discussed. Contacts with Press and Media representatives were discussed. A calendar of medical and scientific meetings having to do with asbestos had been prepared and would be mailed to members. The Committee was following Federal activities, particularly those of the Environmental Control Agency, Office of Air Pollution Control, which is attempting to develop ambient air standards for asbestos. The Committee is also following the activities of the National Academy of Sciences which is attempting to develop a position paper on asbestos. Activities of the Institute for Occupational Health and Safety are also being monitored.

The members were requested to provide Bill Raines with the names and addresses of their Capitol Representatives. The Committee is to consider a briefing session with those Representatives.

Mr. F. J. Solon, Jr. recommended the printing of booklets containing scientific and medical literature on asbestos in order to create a body of reference material. He further recommended expanding the Association's position papers. Close contact with the Department of Labor was recommended.

Mr. McNabb complimented the Committee on its work.

Mr. F. J. Solon, Jr. then reviewed the desirability of the Association sponsoring advertisements. Mr. Solon reviewed advertisements run by Johns-Manville Corporation recently and suggested the adoption of a similar program by the Association. Copies of proposed advertisements would be sent to members for suggestions or comment in advance of the publication thereof. It was the consensus of the members present that such an advertising campaign would be desirable and in furtherance of the purposes of the Association. The Administrative Committee was requested to proceed with plans for such ads.

The report of the Membership Committee was presented in writing by A. H. Fay. The Chairman requested that a copy of the report be filed with the records of the meeting.

The report recommended that membership be open to producers and consumers of asbestos fiber. Dues would be assessed on two basis:

a. Producers of asbestos fiber
b. Consumers of asbestos fiber

Members who pay dues to the Quebec Asbestos Manufacturers Association on the basis of production of asbestos fiber would not be assessed dues on such production. Such member would, however, pay dues based upon their consumption of fiber in operations and on production of fiber not subject to Q. A. M. A. dues levies.

Mr. Moran requested that the Quebec Asbestos Manufacturers Association be questioned as to their willingness to support the Association on the basis of fiber exports to the United States.

The report of the Membership Committee was accepted in principle subject to further discussion at the next board meeting. The Chairman pointed out that any dues based upon production or use of fiber would have to be computed by a confidential agent such as a C. P. A. firm.

The meeting adjourned to lunch where the meeting continued.

Mr. W. P. Raines reported on his visit to the Asbestos Information Committee of Great Britain. That Committee has been in existence for a number of years and has purposes and goals very similar to the Association's. Mr. Raines reported a very cooperative and friendly reception.

There being no further business, the meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded adjourned.

Secretary

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