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March 5, 1971

Mr. H. E. Sunbury
Asbestos Textile Institute
75 Center Street
P. O. Box 239
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Dear Herb:

I have reviewed the minutes of the Board of Governors meeting and the General Meeting. The minutes appear to be in order as you have them prepared. I am only sorry we cannot use all of the language Dr. Goodman used and probably some more he would like to have used in a report to top management people of member companies.

We have had one response to our "letter to the President" - attached is a copy.

Yours very truly,

H. K. PORTER COMPANY, INC.

L. E. Moody
Works Manager

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CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS
WILLIAM S. SIMPSON
PRESIDENT

205 MIDDLE STREET, BRIDGEPORT, CONN. 06603

February 25, 1971

Raybestos Manhattan

Mr. L. E. Moody, Works Manager
H. K. Porter Company
P.O. Box 10516
Charlotte, N. Carolina 28200

Dear Mr. Moody:

I read with interest your recent letter concerning the Asbestos Textile Institute of which you are now President. Please be assured of our continuing interest in the Institute, and I will make every effort to include the June meeting in my schedule.

Sincerely,

William S. Simpson

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February 27, 1971

Mr. L.E. Moody
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Dear Larry: Minutes - February ATI meeting

I enclose draft of the minutes for both the Board of Governors meeting and the General Meeting held on February 3 and 4 respectively.

Please let me have your comments as to any additions, corrections, or deletions that you think necessary.

By copy of this letter I ask that Haven Roosevelt send me his comments also.

In respect to the minutes for the General Meeting, Paragraph 11, Page 3, reports Dr. Goodman's comments concerning his attendance at Dr. Selikoff's seminar on Asbestosis held last June. I have modified, or omitted, some of Dr. Goodman's statements as for example - "Dr. Selikoff is not an honest man, and is no credit to the medical profession!"

I trust that Dr. Goodman's remarks as recorded in the minutes, when distributed to our members in U.S.A., Canada, England, France, Mexico and Japan, will be considered acceptable by Legal Counsel both from point-of-view of the Institute and Dr. Goodman!..

With kind regards.

cc: H.C. Roosevelt

Yours truly,

E.E. Sunbury
E.E. Sunbury
Secretary

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Minutes - BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S MEETING - February 3, 1971

The RED CARPET INN, CHARLOTTE, N.C.

In attendance:

L.E. Moody - H.K. Porter Company, Inc. (Chairman)
M.Q. Scowcroft - Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.
A. Kuzmuk - Garlock Inc.
E.A. Schuman - Johns-Manville Corp.
H.D. Brown - Johns-Manville Corp.
J.W. Christenbury - American Asbestos Textile Corp.
E.A. Morris - Uniroyal, Inc.
S.J. Peele, Jr. - Uniroyal, Inc. (Guest)
H.C. Roosevelt - Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft (Attorney)
H.E. Sunbury - Secretary

Absent: Geo. Griswold, Jr. of Nicolet Industries (Came to Charlotte for the meeting but developed a temperature, stayed in bed.)

----- Minutes -----

1. Chairman Moody called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.
2. The minutes of the last meeting were presented for reading. On motion by E.A. Schuman, seconded by E.A. Morris, it was voted to omit
3. Mr. Moody reported that he had received a letter of resignation from Mr. E.A. Schuman dated January 4, 1971, stating that he no longer had responsibility for the Johns-Manville's asbestos textile line, and consequently was resigning from the A.T.I. Board of Governors. Mr. Morris moved that the resignation be accepted with deep regret. Motion seconded by Mr. Kuzmuk. So voted.

Mr. Moody stated that M.J. Cowan, Vice President and General Marketing Manager of Johns-Manville had written him under date of January 4, 1971 expressing their wish that J/M be represented on the Board of Governors of ATI by Mr. Norman D. Brown. On motion by Mr. Kuzmuk, seconded by Mr. Morris, it was voted ~~unanimously~~ unanimously to elect Mr. Brown to the Board of Governors.

4. Mr. Moody stated that he had a letter from Mr. J.L. Rainey, President of American Asbestos Textile Corporation, dated January 7, 1971, tendering his resignation as a member of the A.T.I. Board of Governors due to the increasing pressure of his corporate responsibilities. Mr. Scowcroft moved that the resignation be accepted with deep regret. Motion seconded by Mr. Kuzmuk, and so voted.

In his letter Mr. Rainey nominated Mr. J.W. Christenbury to represent American Asbestos Textile Corporation on the Board of Governors. Mr. Scowcroft moved that the nomination of Mr. Christenbury be approved, motion seconded by Mr. Kuzmuk, and it was voted unanimously to elect Mr. Christenbury to the Board of Governors.

5. Treasurer Kuzmuk presented the Financial Report dated 1/11/71. Mr. Christenbury moved that it be accepted, Mr. Scowcroft seconded the motion, and so voted unanimously. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.

Mr. Kuzmuk stated that the Secretary had advised him that the Reserve Fund would be depleted by at least \$4200.00 to meet A.T.I. expenses in the year 1971, in order to take care of the present level of expenses. \$1900.00 of this deficit is due to the 20% special discount applicable to members 1971 dues. While there are ample reserve funds at the moment it is plain that the time is approaching when expenditures must be brought in line with our yearly income!

6. The Secretary stated that he had received a letter from MANUFACTURAS MULTIPLES S.A., Caracas, Venezuela, dated December 3, 1970 saying that they were the only manufacturers of asbestos textiles in Venezuela, and were interested in "subscribing to the Asbestos Textile Institute as a membership". As their letterhead indicated they were a distributor for Johns-Manville the Secretary inquired thru the Fibre & Sales Dept. of J/M if Manufacturas Multiples S.A. actually did qualify as a manufacturer of asbestos textiles, and was assured they did. Information was sent Manufacturas Multiples S.A. on December 8, 1970 relative to requirements for Associate Membership in the Institute, with the promise that their interest in becoming a member of the Institute would be submitted to the Board of Governors at this meeting. They did not reply to this letter.

Mr. Scowcroft expressed doubt as to whether Manufacturas Multiples S.A. were interested in Associate Membership in ATI and moved that the matter be tabled until such time as the Secretary could clarify the extent of their interest. Mr. Kuzmuk seconded this motion and it was so voted.

7. Mr. Moody reported that he had written asked Mr. Wm. J. W. Smith, Vice President & General Sales Manager of Bell Asbestos Mines, Ltd., to accept appointment as Public Relations Director for the A.T.I. as voted by the Board at their meeting on October 8, 1970, and that Mr. Smith had declined the appointment saying that ~~it would~~ acceptance would place both he and his company in embarrassing position relative to their competition.

8. Locations and dates for ATI meetings in 1971 and 1972 were discussed:

June 9-10, 1971 - Cherry Hill Inn, Cherry Hill, NJ (Approved)
October 6-8, 1971 - Savannah Inn & Country Club, Savannah, Ga. (Approved)
February 2-3, 1972 - The Mills-Hyatt House, Charleston, S.C. (Approved)
June 7-8, 1972 - Marriott Key Bridge Hotel, Arlington, Va. (Wash.) (Tentative)
October 1972 - Secretary is to check with Fluid Sealing Assoc. as to their dates for October meeting. The QAMA meets on Oct. 3-6, 1972. Following week has Columbus Day. Suggested for an ATI meeting in the 3rd week of Oct. were Country Club of N.C., Pinehurst, or Hilton Head. Further discussion is necessary.

9. As agreed at the last Board meeting, the Chairman of each of our working committees was invited to discuss current activities and forward plans for his committee/ Highlights of their remarks and suggestions follow:

Fiber Testing Committee, D.E. Childers, Chairman.

Mr. Childers outlined the work they were doing on the Magnetic Rating specification and test method, in cooperation with the Technical Committee. Referred to his previous request that more representatives of spinners be assigned to ~~the~~ his committee. Suggested that the Fiber Testing Committee might well be combined with the Technical Committee provided the "miners" had no objection. Note: Following the meeting Messers Stiefken ~~and~~ of Lake Asbestos, and Walter E. Smith of Bell Asbestos Mines, both expressed strong opposition to the idea of combining the two committees.

Air Hygiene & Mfg. Committee, H.M. Willingham, Chairman.

Mr. Willingham reported on progress of instruction booklet for the Membrane Filter Method for Determination of Airborne Asbestos Fiber. Said that all members had approved the final draft except American Asbestos Textile Corp. who were late receiving their copy. Credited the Task Group consisting of Ralph Hindmarch of J/M, Joe Wronski of R/M, and Dewey Childers of H.K. Porter Co., with doing a fine job in preparing the copy for the booklet. Recommended that the booklet be approved for printing.

There was general agreement by members of the Board that the Secretary should proceed to obtain an estimate for the printing of one thousand copies, and report back to the Board as to total cost, and ask approval to place the printing order. Also, the Secretary is to prepare a suitable foreword for the booklet.

Mr. Moody said that his company would continue to use both the Greenburg-Smith Impinger Method and the Membrane Filter Method in making "dust counts". Mr. Willingham stated that his company would not discontinue use of the G-S Impinger in his opinion.

Mr. Moody suggested that the Air Hygiene & Mfg. Committee should investigate the new "jet type" of dust collector ("Reverse Pulse Dust Collector") for the benefit of all members. Says that several types of filter material can be used in this type of collector, and feels that it has an important potential in the asbestos textile industry.

Technical Committee, John W. Hawkins, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Hawkins, substituting for Chairman Dixit, ^{said} ~~then~~ they were trying to complete the final draft on ASTM D-1118, Test for Magnetic Rating of Asbestos. Propose to give it a new number. Revision of ~~the~~ ASTM D-1573, Heat Aging of Asbestos Textiles, will be next on the agenda of the Technical Committee. Mentioned the recommendation made to Navy Clothing Unit, Natick, Mass., on Mil-C-82249B that the term "organic fiber" be substituted for

Mr. Moody asked if we should try to develop ASTM specifications for certain treated fabrics. Mr. Hawkins doubted that it would be practicable ~~xxxxxx~~ or desirable to do so. Mr. M.D. Brown said he would question the advisability also.

Asbestos Advisory Committee, Mr. E.A. Morris, Chairman.

Mr. Morris reported that the proposed folder (or envelop stuffer) entitled ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ "Recommended Health Safety Practices for Handling and Fabricating Asbestos Textile Products" ~~xxx~~ had been approved by member companies, and a preliminary survey indicated that the printing order could be ~~xxxxxx~~ about 25000. He recommended that the Board approve the final draft, and the issuance of a printing order, as soon as they were in receipt of said draft.

Mr. Morris said that on January 12, 1971 he, H.Q. Scowcroft and J.W. Christenbury met with the Navy Department representatives at The Naval Ship Engineering Center, Hyattsville, Maryland to discuss the present attitude of the Navy to continued use of asbestos cloth. The Navy has acknowledged that high asbestos dust concentrations do constitute a hazardous environment. Accordingly they stipulate that when asbestos fabrics are used certain precautionary measures must be taken. Apparently the use of either fiber glass fabrics or asbestos fabrics is left to the discretion ~~by~~ of the shipyard, and whether asbestos textiles will be phased out at some future time is a matter of conjecture. Mr. Moody suggested that some thought be given to a series of advertisements, sponsored jointly by all members, for the purpose of combating adverse developments, or harmful publicity, on asbestos textiles. (No action was taken on this suggestion)

Environmental Health Committee, Mr. C.L. Sheckler, Chairman.

Mr. Sheckler said that he had spent a good deal of time analyzing ~~the~~ of the new Federal "Occupational Safety & Health Act of 1970" on the operations of his company. The new law becomes effective on April 28, 1971. Said that Common Law product suits are proliferating in the Thermal Insulation industry. Thinks that our industry must give serious consideration to labeling asbestos products, i.e. a warning label. Date of label could indicate whether a manufacturer has been negligent, in case of a law suit.

Mr. Sheckler read excerpts of the new Safety and Health Act, and outlined the penalties for ~~xxxxxx~~ violations. Mentioned that the new TLV for asbestos dust is 2 MPPCF, and 5 fibers per ML, 5 microns plus, on a time weighted average with a ceiling of 10 fibers per ML, 5 microns or greater in length.

10. Chairman Moody reported with deep regret the sudden passing of Ralph E. Smith on January 21, 1971, that a donation had been sent in lieu of flowers to the Franke Home, Charleston, S.C., and that a letter of sympathy would be sent to Mrs. Smith on behalf of the Institute members.

11. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

(Draft)

ASBESTOS TEXTILE INSTITUTE

Minutes - GENERAL MEETING - February 4, 1971

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The RED CARPET INN, Charlotte, N.C.

In attendance:

AMERICAN ASBESTOS TEXTILE CORP.

J.W. Christenbury
Wm. Maaskant
H.H. Walter

ASBESTOS CORPORATION LIMITED

G.F.A. Brink
P.E. Leclerc

GARLOCK INC.

A. Kuzmuk
W.P. Brainerd

BELL ASBESTOS MINES LIMITED

Wm. J.W. Smith
Walter H. Smith

JORIS-MANVILLE CORPORATION

N.D. BROWN
E.A. SCHUMAN
K.A. Roberts
C.L. Sheckler

LAKE ASBESTOS OF QUEBEC, LTD

C.E. Steffen

H.K. PORTER COMPANY, INC.

L.E. Moody
D.E. Childers
J.W. Echard
E.C. Bratt
J.D. McCluer (Ret'd)
Nicolet INDUSTRIES, INC.
Geo. Griswold, Jr.
E.W. Russell

UNIROYAL, INC.

E.A. Morris
R.C. Hunt
H.M. Willingham
Dr. J.H. Wolfstie
S.J. Peele, Jr.
T.H. Newby
L.P. Dieringer (Guest)

RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.

H.Q. Scowcroft
J.W. Hawkins
Dr. J.L. Goodman
J.W. Frampton (Guest)

CADWALADER, WICKERSHAM & TAPF

H.C. Roosevelt (Legal Counsel)

ASBESTOS TEXTILE INSTITUTE

H.E. Sunbury (Secretary)

----- Minutes -----

1. President Moody called the meeting to order at 1:45 P.M.
2. Those present were asked to stand and identify themselves and to give their company affiliation.
3. President Moody asked that a moment of prayer be observed in memory of Ralph S. Smith who passed away on January 21, 1971 at his home in North Charleston, S.C. Mr. Smith had attended A.T.I. meetings for about twenty years, and served as Chairman of our Air Hygiene & Mfg. Committee during 1960 and 1961.
4. The minutes of the last meeting were presented for reading. On motion by Mr. E.A. Schuman, seconded by Mr. K.A. Roberts, it was voted to omit the reading of same.

5. Treasurer Kuzmuk presented the Financial Report. Dr. J.H. Wolfe moved that it be accepted, motion seconded by Mr. P.E. Leclerc, and so voted unanimously. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.

6. President Moody referred to "The History of the Asbestos Textile Industry in the United States" by J.A. Bettles, Jr., now appearing in installments in the ASBESTOS Magazine, and said that the Secretary had been instructed to write Mr. Bettles a letter of commendation on behalf of the Institute and its members. Mr. Bettles, an active member of the Institute for approximately twenty-four years, served as president of ATI in 1957 and 1958. Upon retirement from Raybestos Manhattan several years ago Mr. Bettles began to collect the information for his "History of the Asbestos Textile Industry in the USA" and it has required countless hours and voluminous correspondence to prepare the "History" for publication. The Institute appreciates the fine contribution that Mr. Bettles has made to the asbestos textile industry, and congratulates him on doing an exceptionally fine job! Also, we think that the ASBESTOS Magazine is to be commended for making the "History" available to its readers! Mr. Bettles address is:- John A. Bettles, Jr., 3100 South Ocean Blvd., #119 Delray Beach, Fla. 33434, and we are sure that he would welcome comments from readers of the "History".

7. President Moody announced the election of Mr. E.D. Brown to the Board of Governors, replacing Mr. E.A. Schuman as Johns-Manville representative; and the election to the Board of Mr. J.W. Christenb replacing Mr. J.L. Rainey as the representative for American Asbest Textile Corporation. Mr. Schuman resigned because he no longer has responsibility for asbestos textiles. Mr. Rainey's resignation was necessary due to increased corporate responsibilities since he was elected President of his company in June of 1970.

8. The Legal Counsel Report was given by Attorney H.C. Roosevelt, of Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft, New York, N.Y. A resume of his remarks is attached to these minutes.

9. The Fibre Producer's Report was given by Mr. Wm. J.W. Smith, Director, Vice President & General Sales Manager of BELL ASBESTOS MINES, LTD. Mr. Smith began his remarks by saying that it was the opinion of the producers that the fibre situation should be exposed as frequently as A.T.I. meets, and proceeded to discuss the situation relative to various grades.

Group 7 fibers in the shorter classifications are fairly ample, but the longer Group 7's are in tighter supply.
Group 6 fibers (Used in Brake Linings, etc.) very specific shortage.
Group 5 fibers - Premium classifications are "tight".
Group 4 fibers (Used in asbestos-cement products) fairly well in balance.
Group 3 fibers - (Used in textiles) A year ago a shortage existed, but now the high magnetic iron fibers as produced in Quebec mines are in good supply. By contrast the low magnetic iron Group 3 fibers as produced by Cassiar on the West Coast of Canada, continue to be critically short. The unusually severe winter has crippled production of Cassiar - situation may improve somewhat by June, but supply will still be short.

In regard to Rhodesian fiber the embargo has been most effective

asbestos textile manufacturers in the U.S.A. because there is no alternative low iron fiber except Cassiar. The U.S. Government has a sizeable stockpile of low iron fiber but apparently is not willing to release any of it.

10. Committee reports were given by the respective chairmen:-

- Air Hygiene & Mfg. Committee - H.M. Willingham, Chm.
- Technical Committee - J.W. Hawkins (Acting chairman)
- Asbestos Advisory Committee - E.A. Morris, Chm.
- Fiber Testing Committee - D.E. Childers

Their reports are attached to these minutes.

11. Dr. J.L. Goodman, North Charleston, S.C., associated with Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc., speaking as a member of The A.T.I. Environmental Health Committee, reported that he had attended a seminar on Asbestosis, arranged by Dr. Irving J. Selikoff, that was held at the Mt. Sinai School of Medicine, New York City, on June 15-18, 1970. Dr. Goodman said he was quite surprised to note a goodly number of representatives of Labor in attendance.

Dr. Selikoff's staff members presented the program, which turned out to be a diatribe against industry. At opening of the meeting it was announced that spraying of steel framework in new buildings (with asbestos fibre) had been discontinued in New York State. Dr. Goodman was critical of Dr. Selikoff's presentation and accusations against industry. When questions were directed to various speakers Dr. Selikoff invariably spoke up to answer the question - sometimes quite rudely.

The second day of the Seminar was devoted to mesothelioma, which Dr. Goodman stated was a very controversial and debatable form of cancer (as to cause). He does not agree with many of Dr. Selikoff's statements and/or conclusions on this subject.

Dr. Goodman feels that Dr. Selikoff is a "dangerous" man and the asbestos industry is going to have to learn how to combat his tactics. We cannot and should not take Dr. Selikoff lightly as he has facilities for getting "facts", but gets away with half-truths, and the only way he can be backed down is being faced with true facts.

When asked if something could be done thru the American Medical Association (to control Dr. Selikoff) Dr. Goodman expressed doubt. Said there was a grievance committee of the AMA but it was very difficult to get this committee to act. Thought that perhaps pressure on the Mt. Sinai School of Medicine might be effective.

In regard to mesothelioma Mr. Wm. J.W. Smith asked if Dr. Selikoff differentiated between Crocidolite and Chrysotile fibre. Dr. Goodman said that Dr. Selikoff inferred that Chrysotile was suspect as well as Crocidolite.

Following Dr. Goodman's comments Mr. C.L. Sheckler, Chairman of A.T.I.'s Environmental Health Committee, said that Dr. Selikoff was going to be around indefinitely and we might as well resign ourselves to that fact, even though Selikoff might be prone to deal with "half-truths".

Mr. Sheckler commented on the excellent promotional type English film entitled "WHY ASBESTOS" shown to the members the previous evening, saying that there is now an Asbestos Information Association of North America. Members of this new association are some of the leading manufacturers of asbestos products in the U.S.A., but no further information was given out by Mr. Sheckler.

Mr. Sheckler then discussed the new Federal "Occupational Safety & Health Act of 1970" (PL91-596) that becomes effective on April 28, 1971, saying that Industry and its customers can well face new exposure to penalties after the law becomes effective. Outlined some of the penalties, and discussed standards under the new law. For example, the present standard for noise is 90 dBA maximum, and he doubts that any textile plant can show such a low noise level!

Under the new law government inspectors will have free access to plants and records. An employee or employee group may request government to make inspection at any time. The employer is required to post conditions that exceed standards. All penalties are to be final unless contested within 15 days.

In regard to medical and health research Mr. Sheckler said that a "National Institute of Safety & Health" ~~has been~~ has been (or will be) set up within the framework of the Health, Education and Welfare Department. X Dr. Cralley's group will be part of it.

Concluding his remarks Mr. Sheckler said that warning labels on products were now voluntary but probably will become mandatory at some future date. Thinks that our industry must give serious consideration to the use of warning labels on asbestos products. Mentioned that Common Law product suits are proliferating in the Thermal Insulation Industry. Date that label use began could indicate whether a manufacturer had been negligent in case of a law suit.

12. Locations for meetings in 1971 were announced:

June 9-10, 1971 - Cherry Hill Inn, Cherry Hill, N.J.

October 6-8, 1971 - Savannah Inn & Country Club, Savannah, Ga.

The June meeting schedule will call for arrival Wednesday afternoon or evening, committee meetings Thursday morning, and General Meeting from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. Thursday afternoon. This shortened program will enable most attendees to be back at their respective offices on Friday morning.

The October meeting is our ANNUAL MEETING to which company officials and members' wives are specially invited. The meeting schedule in October will suggest arrival on Wednesday afternoon or evening, the committee meetings will be on Thursday, and General Meeting on Friday morning.

13. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

H.E. Sunbury
Secretary