

MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH MEETING OF HEALTH & SAFETY COUNCIL/ACPA
May 19, 1970

A meeting of the members of the Health & Safety Council of the Asbestos Cement Products Association was held pursuant to notice at the Biltmore Hotel in New York, N. Y. on May 19, 1970 at 2 P.M. The following persons were present:

J. A. Main	-	Health & Safety Council/ACPA
A. E. Alpine	-	Certain-teed Products Corp.
W. N. Knorr	-	The Flintkote Company
H. R. Mesler, Jr.	-	GAF Corporation
A. S. Hall	-	GAF Corporation
F. W. Ingham	-	Johns-Manville Corp.
J. W. Magee	-	Johns-Manville Corp.
F. H. Zimmerman	-	National Gypsum Company
K. Schwarz	-	Supradur Manufacturing Corporation
J. H. Steiner	-	Supradur Manufacturing Corporation
K. F. Netter	-	Supradur Manufacturing Corporation
C. P. Kipp	-	U. S. Gypsum Company
L. A. Tobey	-	U. S. Gypsum Company
M. J. Neville	-	Burns & Van Kirk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. James A. Main.

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on February 17, 1970 were submitted for approval. Mr. Main stated a correction should be made to the last paragraph on page 3. The sentence reading "Whereas the current 1969 standards are 5 million particles per cubic foot. . .," should be corrected to read,

> "Whereas current 1969 standards are 12 fibers/ml of 5 microns in length (as counted by the membrane filter method at 430X magnification) or 2 million particles per cubic foot (as counted by the standard impinger method) proposed (ACGIH) limits are 5 fibers/ml determined by the membrane filter method."

The minutes as corrected, were approved.

Mr. Main presented the Financial Statement for the period February 17, 1970 through May 19, 1970. Copies of this

report, as submitted, are attached to these minutes and made a part hereof. The Financial Statement was approved as submitted.

Mr. Main presented excerpts from a number of recent articles on health hazards relating to asbestos fiber. The articles discussed included:

1. Asbestos and Health in 1969, by Dr. C. W. Wright; Vol. 100, American Review of Respiratory Diseases.

2. Report to the U.S. Public Health Service, Dr. Stokinger; Industrial Hygiene Digest, February 1970.**

3. Fibrous Dust Seminar*, Industrial Hygiene Foundation of America, Inc.

4. The Many Faces of Asbestos Disease, by Dr. E. O. Longley, Australian Medical Journal, November 22, 1969.

5. Hazards of Asbestos in the Open Air, Engineer News Record. April 2, 1970.

6. Controlling Construction Pollution, by Harol .. Rosen; Specifications Clinic, February 1970.**

7. Asbestos Regulations of 1969**, Her Majesty's Stationery Office, 1969.

8. Recommended Code of Practice for the Handling and Disposal of Asbestos Waste Material**, by the Asbestosis Research Council, 1969.

9. Air Pollution Aspects of Asbestos**, by Drs. . J. Sullivan and Yanis C. Athanassiadis, A Repo ..epared for the National Air Pollution Control Administration; 1969.

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Mr. Zimmerman reported for the Environmental Control Committee that there were no reported results at present of the stud the health of cement workers in the New Orleans area, being conducted by Tulane University.

Mr. Kipp reported for the Legislation Committee. He requested that the Chairman ask Bradley Walls to serve as its liaison with the Council. He suggested that Mr. Walls receive material from members of the Legislation Committee and reproduce such materials and in turn, distribute them to all members of the Legislation Committee and include these materials for the

agenda of the next Council meeting. Mr. Main said that he would speak to Mr. Walls.

Mr. Main summarized the Council's actions regarding the publication of its proposed brochure on Recommended Practices for Fabricating, Handling and Applying Asbestos Cement Products in the Building and Construction Industries.

He said that as revised, the pamphlet was approved by representatives from Certain-teed, Flintkote, GAF, Johns-Manville and National Gypsum, and that votes were deferred by representatives of Supradur and U.S. Gypsum. Their votes and the votes of Cement Asbestos Products Co. and Philip Carey were sought by special letter.

Mr. Main said that he had received the approval of Cement Asbestos Products Co. and that he was informed by Philip Carey that the company was giving up its asbestos product line and, therefore, would not be participating in activities of the Council.

Following discussion of four proposed amendments to the motion to adopt the brochure, Mr. Schwarz proposed that two amendments to that motion be voted upon.

The proposed amendments were:

1. To amend paragraph 1 on page 3 of the brochure by adding the phrase at the end of that paragraph:

"...where dust is created."

2. To amend paragraph 3 on page 3 by adding after the first sentence of that paragraph, the sentence:

"The handling and installation of solid pieces of asbestos cement products do not normally present a health risk unless sawing, drilling or other machining of the product is required."

The first amendment was approved by all members voting in favor of the resolution, with GAF voting against. The Chairman determined that, in accord with the results of the ballot, the brochure would be so amended.

The result of the ballot on the second amendment was as follows:

In Favor	Against
Johns-Manville	Certain-teed
Supradur	Flintkote
U. S. Gypsum Company	GAF
	National Gypsum Company

The Chairman declared that the second proposed amendment had failed.

The Chairman then proposed that a vote be taken on the distribution and funding of the brochure as amended. The motion was unanimously passed by all members voting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 4 P.M.

Martin J. Neville
Acting Secretary