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in their friction materials, this might be a material to be studied by the Committee. On the other hand, because of the seriousness of the asbestos regulations, by taking on other materials, the efforts of this Committee might be diluted. Currently, there are regulations on solvents, silica, and other materials considered hazardous or noxious by the regulatory agencies. It is requested that the members consider the possibilities of expanding the activities of this Committee to cover other materials.

METHODS FOR EXAMINATION OF FIBERS

Dr. Spurgeon questioned whether there were any other reliable techniques for the measurement of asbestos fibers other than the membrane filter method. The question was also aimed at whether the regulatory agencies were considering other analytical methods. Mr. Weaver indicated that in conversation with AIA he had recently learned that the Department of Labor is considering a study on the possibilities of the gravimetric method for sampling asbestos fibers. He indicated that the membrane filter method would be in use for some years to come and possibly up to the July 1976 date when the stiffer two fiber per cc requirement goes into effect. The Department of Labor is considering a 15 man committee to study this possibility for sampling the asbestos. The make-up of such a committee would be as follows: 4 from industry, 4 "experts," 1 from NIOSH, 1 academic, 2 from labor, 1 medical, 1 from the American Industrial Health Association, and 1 consumer advocate. It is suggested that members of the Asbestos Study Committee consider whether their companies might wish to volunteer for service on such a Federal committee.

OTHER BUSINESS

Some of the Committee Members are operations oriented and others are environment oriented. It was requested that those individuals responsible for corporate decisions in the hygiene environment area be listed. That list is as follows:

Charles Borcharding	Abex Corporation - Chicago, Illinois (Corporate Industrial Hygiene)
James Armstrong	Bendix Corporation - Southfield, Michigan (Safety Director)
Ike Weaver	Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc. - Manheim, Pa. (Director of Environmental Control)
George Wilson	Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. - Akron, Ohio

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There being no further business brought before the Committee, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously passed, it was

RESOLVED: To adjourn

Adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

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