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MINUTES OF THE  
NINETEENTH MEETING OF THE  
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE  
February 14, 15, 16

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PLACE

The nineteenth meeting of the Technical Committee of the  
Gypsum Association was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Sheraton  
Palace Hotel, San Francisco, California on Wednesday, February 14,  
1973 by Mr. J. D. Shull, Chairman, presiding.

Those in attendance were:

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| J. J. Gafford    | The Celotex Corporation                                            |
| C. E. Abbey      | The Flintkote Company                                              |
| P. Pestel        | The Flintkote Company                                              |
| T. R. Godfrey    | Georgia-Pacific Corporation<br>Gypsum Division                     |
| C. W. Lennert    | Georgia-Pacific Corporation<br>Gypsum Division                     |
| J. D. Shull      | Gold Bond Building Products<br>Division of National Gypsum Company |
| G. E. Kirk       | Kaiser Cement & Gypsum Corporation                                 |
| W. J. Marshall   | Kaiser Cement & Gypsum Corporation                                 |
| H. L. Veightman  | Kaiser Cement & Gypsum Corporation                                 |
| J. H. Drumbaugh  | United States Gypsum Company                                       |
| A. V. Abnee, Jr. | Gypsum Association                                                 |
| D. E. Brackett   | Gypsum Association                                                 |
| H. B. Carlsen    | Gypsum Association                                                 |
| J. L. Houser     | Gypsum Association                                                 |
| M. C. Smith      | Gypsum Association                                                 |
| Forest Price     | Guest                                                              |

On Thursday, February 15, the Committee was privileged to  
hear a presentation from Professor Brady Williamson, University of  
California, on the topic "A rational basis of fire design for safety  
in buildings". His remarks covered structural integrity, degree of  
combustion, surface burning characteristics, smoke potential and con-  
trol, containment and experiments with plastics and smoke. His remarks  
were supported by a movie of the Sao Paulo, Brazil high-rise fire.

The Committee expressed a desire to support the programs  
that Professor Williamson indicated, which are generally in agreement  
with the work areas being pursued by our Research Associate.

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COMMITTEE ACTION: A motion was made, seconded and carried to remove the item from the agenda.

ITEM 11-61-73 OBSOLETE PUBLICATIONS

Mr. Brackett reported that some Association publications were outdated and should be revised or dropped. It was agreed, when possible to include the data in other popular current publications. It was requested that the Promotional Committee, who has ultimate responsibility for the publications, allow the Technical Committee to review them for technical accuracy, as they are individually considered for revision.

COMMITTEE ACTION: A motion was made, second and carried to remove the item from the agenda.

ITEM 11-62-73 STANDARD FOR DAMAGE RESISTANT WALLS

The sense of this item was considered under Item 11-37 - Standards for Durability.

COMMITTEE ACTION: A motion was made, seconded and carried to remove this item from the agenda.

ITEM 11-63-73 ASBESTOS FIBER IN JOINT COMPOUND

It had been recommended that the Association begin an investigative program to determine the extend of hazards to health and safety of use of asbestos in joint compounds, as a result of sanding and dry mixing operations. OSHA regulations are strict concerning asbestos and there could be problems within the gypsum industry as a result of inhalation of asbestos fibers present in dust environments.

The committee proposed the following initial considerations:

1. The member companies should pool information they have on the subject.
2. It is necessary to determine ranges of hazards.
3. The staff is to develop a list of testing agencies qualified to conduct tests of dust environments containing asbestos, determine estimated costs of test programs, and report on methods used.
4. The Chairman is to include this subject in his report to the membership and request funds from the Board of Directors for a standard industry test program.

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5. Request that the Safety Committee recommend what is needed to protect the applicator working in these conditions.

It was reported that contractor organizations had requested guidance from the Association on the problem. The possibility of drafting an ASTM standard on joint treatment compound was discussed but no recommendation was made. An opinion was expressed that asbestos may not be an ingredient in joint compound within the next three years. It was further speculated that contractor groups such as GDCL and IAWCC may wish to participate financially in the development of an industry safety program for hazardous dust protection.

ITEM II - NEW BUSINESS

- a) Product endorsement. The Technical Committee took a position against the endorsement of any product or tool by any manufacturer outside the Association in any Association literature. Questions relating to this subject rightfully belong to the Board of Directors and legal counsel.

COMMITTEE ACTION: A motion was made, seconded and carried to remove this item from the agenda.

- b) Record Vaults. A request was attached to the agenda from Planning/Design Consultants for data regarding vault construction for record storage. UL has such data and the committee recommended the inquiry be directed to UL for answer.
- c) Specification for application of finish materials outside of 55 to 70F. A question was brought that ANSI A97.1 should clearly state temperature application limitations for materials such as joint treatment. The committee suggested that 55F minimum should be shown in bold type for such application in future revisions to A97.1.

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