MINUTES OF THE
NINETY-FIRST MEETING OF THE
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

August 1, 2, 3, 1973

PLACE

The ninety-first meeting of the Technical Committee of the Gypsum Association was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Drake-OakBrook Hotel, Oak Brook, Illinois on Wednesday, August 1, 1973 by Mr. J. D. Shull, Chairman, presiding.

Those in attendance were:

J. J. Gafford	The Celotex Corporation
C. E. Abbey	The Flintkote Company
T. R. Godfrey	Georgia-Pacific Corporation
C. W. Lehnert	Georgia-Pacific Corporation
M. Palmouiski	Georgia-Pacific Corporation
H. L. Weightman	Kaiser Cement & Gypsum Corporation
J. K. Hovind	National Gypsum Company
J. D. Shull	National Gypsum Company
J. H. Crumbaugh	United States Gypsum Company
A. L. Hampton	United States Gypsum Company
R. L. Selbe	United States Gypsum Company
A. V. Abnee, Jr.	Gypsum Association
D. E. Brackett	Gypsum Association
M. M. Brenner	Gypsum Association
H. B. Carlsen	Gypsum Association
T. D. MacQueen	Gypsum Association
F. J. Rogers	Gypsum Association
L. H. Yeager	Guest
R. Cartwright	Baker & McKenzie
P. McCarthy	Baker & McKenzie
P. DeBruyn	Guest
I. Benjamin	Guest

On Thursday, August 2, the committee was privileged to hear remarks from Mr. Peter R. DeBruyn, Industrial Liaison Officer, and Mr. Irwin A. Benjamin, Chief, Fire Research Section, both of the National Bureau of Standards. Mr. DeBruyn spoke about the history of the Research Associate program at the Bureau, outlining its beginning in 1892, its progress through World War I and its development to the present. He reported that the American Dental Association has, continually maintained a Research Associate for the past 47 years.

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and urgency of the metrication problem. We should not ignore the problem now, and then later, when forced to comply with new requirements, be in a disadvantageous position. Old test data will be affected by new measures. The committee recommended that the membership participate in industry activities toward metrication. It was further recommended that a task group be appointed to develop recommended metric units for all basic board dimensions and that the recommendations be sent to the Manufacturing and Mining Committee to be utilized in their work on conversion to the metric system.

A task group of Messrs. Shull, Lehnert and Weightman was appointed.

ITEM II-63-73 ASBESTOS IN JOINT COMPOUND

The secretary reported that member companies were appointing representatives to serve on a Special Association Committee to evaluate and recommend a pilot test program. The first meeting of the Special Committee had been scheduled for August 8, 1973 in Chicago.

ITEM II - NEW BUSINESS

a) Texturing of Gypsum Wallboard Ceilings. The need for an Association special recommendation on the application of water-based spray texturing to ceilings was reiterated. A draft copy was reviewed and approved for immediate printing.

b) Laminating Gypsum Board to Ceilings. Mr. Abbey reported that there were problems in the field occuring where a second layer of gypsum board had been laminated to ceilings several years ago without the use of fasteners. Some of these ceilings were separating and gypsum manufacturers were being blamed for the casein type adhesive failures resulting from improper application procedure. Mr. Abbey maintained that these practices were contrary to recommendations of the Association at that time.

c) "ANSI Reporter" Publication. The Association has been distributing copies of the publication to the committee for information. The "ANSI Reporter" reports standards actions of ANSI as well as general news items. Comments and problem areas relating to ANSI standards actions should be forwarded through the Association.

d) Weights Supported by Walls.

Mr. Lehnert reported that questions are frequently received concerning the structural values and recommendations for hanging shelving and brackets and the proper fasteners to use with wallboard.

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