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Johns-Manville seminar were quite pleased with it. Perhaps they have up-dated some of their work. This is a half day session that was put on in various parts of the country and to which several members of the Institute were invited. Perhaps Johns-Manville would be willing to put on such a seminar again and it was suggested that Mr. Bill Reitze of Johns-Manville be contacted. Methods on air sampling could be discussed at a J-M seminar. Mr. Weaver suggested that he would contact Johns-Manville concerning this subject.

It was suggested that if the Institute were interested in sponsoring a work shop, the Johns-Manville program would be ideal for the first half-day period. To strengthen our ties with the Asbestos Information Association it would be well to have someone from the AIA address those attending. In this way we could indicate some of the problems the friction materials industry has that the AIA might not be aware of. Also it might be possible for the Asbestos Information Association to solicit support of the Institute and Institute members at such a session. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously passed, it was

RESOLVED: That the Committee recommends that the Institute sponsor a one day work shop on the asbestos problem in the early Fall of 1975.

OTHER BUSINESS

It was suggested that the Asbestos Study Committee might enlarge their activities beyond the field of asbestos. There was a recent article in one of the newspapers concerning the health hazards of nickel. Nickel is a substance found in asbestos and it apparently is found in cigarettes as well. Nickel does not get into the cigarettes from the plant, but apparently is picked up during processing. It was suggested that perhaps this was a cause of the lung cancers that have been associated with asbestos. It was also stated that this might be "grasping at straws."

A real problem in the workplace may be encountered by those using lead or lead oxides in the workplace. OSHA is talking of lead concentrations in the .20/.1 mg/cubic meter. It may be worthwhile to bring lead into this committee's activities. It was suggested that the committee be re-named the "Hazardous Materials Study Committee." No action was taken in this area.

It was also stated that because of the heavier lung cancer risk for those who smoke as against those who do not smoke that anti-smoking campaigns should be promoted. Even Dr. Selikoff has indicated that a non-smoker working in an asbestos work place may be no more likely to be effected by lung cancer than a person in the general population. However cigarette smoking coupled with exposure to asbestos in the work place multiplies the problem.

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There being no other business brought to the attention of the Committee, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously passed it was

RESOLVED: To adjourn.

Adjourned at: 2:00 P.M.

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