Regional Reorganization
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF HEATING, REFRIGERATING AND AIR-CONDITIONING ENGINEERS, INC.

MINUTES

REGION XI ORGANIZATION MEETING

AIRPORT HYATT - VANCOUVER, NOVEMBER 9, 1978

Those in attendance were:

Hugh D. McMillan - President Elect
W.L. Donley - Chairman Region I
G.E. Menzies - Chairman Region II
L. Wuerch - Del. - Puget Sound
C. King - Alt. - Puget Sound
J. Trueb - Del. - Oregon
G. Klossner - Alt. - Oregon
M. Harvey - Del. - Inland Empire
G. Pinch - Del. - British Columbia
B. Alpin - Del. - Alaska
B. Thorpe - Del. - Northern Alberta
A. Smith - Del. - Southern Alberta
H. Chorney - Alt. - Southern Alberta

N.J. Boulanger - Del. - Saskatoon
W. Dent - Alt. - Saskatoon
A. Thomson - Del. - Regina
P. Hughes - Alt. - Regina
D. Cross - Del. - Manitoba
L. Howard - Alt. - Manitoba
H. Rice Jones - Chapt. Pres. - B.C.
R. Perry - B.C.
R. Martin - Energy Mgt. - Regina X - B.C.
D. Goepfert - Res. Prom.-Regina X
R. Manfull - Nom. - Region X
H. Sage - Nom. - Region II

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Wally Donley, Chairman, Region X.

Howard Rice Jones, President of the British Columbia Chapter, welcomed the delegates, offered the help of the B.C. Chapter.

All meeting attendees introduced themselves, identified their chapter and their function within ASHRAE.

Biographic sketches for 17 candidates for Region XI committee positions were distributed.

Instructions for the Executive Session were delivered by President Elect McMillan who reminded the delegates that in ASHRAE the position seeks the man not the man the position. Since the delegates were responsible for creating an entirely new region, President Elect McMillan reviewed the administrative structure of ASHRAE.
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George Menzies (Chairman Region II) and Wally Donley commented on the responsibilities of the nominating committee and mentioned the fact that the nominating committee's decision determined the future of ASHRAE.

George Menzies offered the observation that the Annual Meeting of ASHRAE Research Canada is to be held at alternate C.R.C.'s of Region II and XI and suggested that it would be convenient if alternate Region XI C.R.C.'s could be scheduled in Canada. The date for the 1980 C.R.C. must also be determined at this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 and delegates moved into executive session.

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION:

The business session was called to order by Wally Donley at 1:35 p.m.

MOTION:

It was moved by William Alpin of Alaska and seconded by Gerry Boulanger of Saskatoon that the Region XI C.R.C. be held in spring.

Motion carried.

The following C.R.C. Schedule was approved by the C.R.C.

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CHAPTER ASSESSMENTS FOR C.R.C. EXPENSES

Concern was expressed by the Canadian Chapters from Region II regarding chapter assessment which each chapter in Region II collects and forwards to the C.R.C. Host Chapter to defray expenses. Each chapter collects an assessment from each local chapter member as of March 30 (before the spring C.R.C.).

The pro's and con's of the assessment were discussed and President Elect McMillan suggested that the chapters from Region X poll their members, re the assessment. This will be followed up by Region X Chairman Donley.

President Elect McMillan reminded the delegates of the changed format for the President's Award of Excellence which allows a chapter to earn an easy 500 A.O.E. points, 100 points are awarded for every energy management presentation made to local civic groups. (maximum points 500).

In closing, President Elect McMillan charged every chapter to organize, at once, a C.R.C. Action Committee to prepare discussion items for the C.R.C. and to designate qualified nominees for society offices.

Mr. McMillan thanked the meeting attendees for giving their valuable time to ASHRAE.

Meeting adjourned 3:00 p.m.
ASHRAE regional plan is opposed

By ROB BRADFORD GODERICH, Ont. (DCN) — Members of the Canadian Region 2 of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) have voiced unanimous opposition to a regional reorganization planned by the society.

At their annual meeting last week, delegates from the 13 chapters of Region 2 said the new plan, which would put some of the western Canadian chapters in a new region with some American states, would decrivate Canadian strength in ASHRAE.

Currently, all Canadian chapters are in Region 2 except for the British Columbia chapter which is in a region with some western states.

Under the proposed reorganization, Region 2 would be split in western Ontario to form 2 new regions. Both of the new regions would include Canadian and American chapters.

The number of ASHRAE regions would increase from 10 to 12 under the plan.

ASHRAE executive secretary Andrew Rags said the reorganization is designed "to take care of future growth" and "will make it easier for the society to better serve the chapters."

And in a speech to delegates, Charles Sepsy, ASHRAE treasurer, said the current regional organization "often makes the job of regional chairmen impossible."

And in the regions which cover a large geographical area, like Region 2, Sepsy said, "members can simply not interact as they should."

But the Region 2 delegates told the ASHRAE executives that despite its large size, Region 2 has "never been stronger."

Al Gakes, a Canadian ASHRAE official, said with modern transportation systems, travel is no problem even in an area the size of Region 2.

Gakes said the ASHRAE proposal, as it affects Region 2, amounts to no more than "splitting up the region and bringing in other regions to patch it back together again."

Leading the Region 2 opposition to the reorganization plan was Gilles Rheault from the Montreal chapter who said the plan only supports the society's common interest and does not recognize the need for a strong Canadian identity in the international organization.

Rheault said Canada has different climatic considerations and different government legislation affecting the industry, both factors which make a Canadian region within ASHRAE a necessity.

"I have nothing against the United States but we have common interests here," Rheault said.

By not forming a Canadian region while reorganization is taking place, Rheault said, "we are missing the boat."

And he likened the Canadian position in ASHRAE under the new plan to "a drop of water in a glass of water."

The other Region 2 delegates backed Rheault solidly and agreed that ASHRAE is strong in Region 2 because of the Canadian chapters being grouped together.

The Halifax delegate to the conference best summed up the mood of the group when he said that although his chapter had strong natural ties with some American states, "our heart is with the rest of Canada."

WORK AS WELL

George Menzies, ASHRAE director and Region 2 chairman, told delegates that ASHRAE is a technical society and Canadian chapters should be able to work as well with American chapters as with each other.

Nevertheless, Menzies was instructed by the voting delegates Friday to request for them that Region 2 be left intact and that the British Columbia chapter be invited to join, thus forming a completely Canadian region with exclusively Canadian chapters.

The request will be offered in the form of a motion by Menzies at a meeting June 25 to June 29 in Albuquerque where the 10 regional chairmen will meet with the ASHRAE executive to draft a final proposal for reorganization.

Rags said that when that final draft is ready it may be presented to the chapters for ratification although, by the society's bylaws, it doesn't have to be presented to the members.

Apartment repair job not started yet

By ED CARTWRIGHT

TORONTO (DCN) — Repair work to Lakeview Towers, the 3-year-old North Bay, Ont. apartment building condemned in January, has not begun.

North Bay building inspector Rolf Vossbotn said in a telephone interview Friday that Surchon Investments Ltd., owner of the building, has not advised the city's building department when the work will begin.

"The owner has indicated that repair work will take place, but when it will start is another question," said Vossbotn.

The city has ordered all repairs to the 14-storey apartment to be finished by the end of June.

The owners were served notice Jan. 3 to vacate the building after Vossbotn said repairs were needed because of structural inadequacies in the foundations and supporting of the building, the tallest in North Bay.

The city building inspector See APARTMENT, Page A7

Thunder Bay courthouse case settled out of court

TORONTO (CP) — A construction firm that built the Thunder Bay, Ont., courthouse has reached an out-of-court settlement for $210,000 with 20 subcontractors who were left unpaid.

John H. McCormick Ltd. faced claims totalling more than $400,000 for work done on the 3-year-old courthouse.

Lorne Henderson, minister of government services, said in the legislature Thursday See COURTHOUSE, Page A7
Conservation is top priority for ASHRAE, members told

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To: Region II Chapter Presidents (13) and
   Chapter President-Elects or V.P.'s (13)

Copy to: Regional Vice-Chairmen - Messrs. Ravis, Buckler, Conrad, Turaga
        Region II Nominating Committee - Messrs. Hole, Morrison, Slone
        Messrs. Boggs, Fox, Oakes, Ross, Singleton

CHAPTER PRESIDENTS:

As I requested last year, I would appreciate it if you would ensure EACH officer and committee chairman receives a copy of this Newsletter and subsequent issues for his information.

REGIONAL REORGANIZATION

As you read in your recent ASHRAE Journal, Regional Reorganization was approved by the Regions Central Committee June 26, 1978 and by the Society's Board of Directors June 29. During the debate on the motion which was attended by representatives from virtually every Canadian chapter, I presented our Region's arguments against the proposed reorganization, particularly in light of the 4 regional committeemen being elevated to Regional Vice-Chairmen. However I did not gain enough support to defeat the motion. With the motion passed, I then agreed to support a program of effective implementation.

At the conclusion of the Society Annual Meeting, President Backer appointed a special Board Subcommittee to formulate plans for an orderly reorganization of the Society from 10 to 12 regions. They have now announced a schedule as it affects the various regions. Before I detail those events, the following is the calendar of events as it affects the entire Society membership.

- At the concluding Business Session June 29, our Society's Executive Vice-President, A. T. Boggs served "notice of amendment" to our Society's By-Laws.

- During the Fall of '78, special CRC's will be held for the new regions and those regions significantly altered.

- Dec. '78, the Society's Nominating Committee will consider names for the new regions and for the additional Directors-at-large, etc.
- Dec. '78, a Notice of Meeting to the entire membership shall be published to detail the By-Law changes to be voted on.

- Jan. '79, at the Semi-Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, there will be a vote on the By-Law changes.

- Jan. '79, the Nominating Committee will make their final selection for Officers and Directors for the '79-'80 F.Y. for the 12 regions.

- June '79, Directors and Officers elected.

- July '79, 12 regions in effect plus 8 Directors-at-Large.

Now, how is Region II affected by the above reorganization?

Firstly, it was passed that the letters designating the 12 regions be replaced with numbers since several regions are not altered too much from their present boundaries.

Therefore in July '79, (if passed by the majority of the Society membership) Region II will consist of eight (8) chapters – Halifax, New Brunswick, Ville de Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa Valley, Ontario, Hamilton, London, Canada. The remaining five (5) western chapters join Region XI which includes British Columbia and four (4) U.S. chapters. Based on the Society's membership as of June 30/78, Region II (with 8 chapters) has 2,624 paid members down from the current 13 chapter membership of 3594. Region XI as proposed will serve some 2,300 paid up members and students – the two regions roughly the same size.

The scheduled CRC for May 23 to 25, 1979 in Saskatoon will be held as scheduled (with Hugh McMillan Society President-Elect and Chuck Sepsy Society Vice-President as the official Visitors as well as Joe Cuba from Headquarters, our Society's Director of Research). The format will be the same as in the past except the 5 western chapters will not vote in the caucus or executive session. This CRC will be the final one for our 5 western chapters in Region II.

These chapters – Northern & Southern Alberta, Saskatoon, Regina, and Manitoba will be invited to attend a special CRC of the newly created Region XI in Vancouver Friday, November 10/78. It will be a meeting of Delegates and Alternates from the 10 chapters and will be primarily an organization meeting. They will be selecting their Regional Chairman, the 4 Vice-Chairmen (Research Promotion, Membership, Energy Management – a new name – and Education) plus recommendations for the Canadian Director-at-Large, dates and locations for future CRC's, etc. President-Elect, Hugh McMillan will chair the meeting with the 2 regional chairmen, Wally Donley of Region X and myself from Region II assisting. (Refer to the attachment from W. Donley dated Sept. 12/78 for further details.)

Hotel reservations for the 5 western chapter's Delegates & Alternates should be made soon, i.e., Vancouver Airport Hyatt House (see attachment).

I will be in Vancouver the Thursday night and would like to meet with my 5 chapters to guide them in the following days' activities. The key point at this time is that some 7 regional positions are available commencing July '79 for the new Region XI. If you want representatives from your chapter, get working on these bios I keep telling you about. In my trips I’ve met many strong western members of ASHRAE whom could be leaders in the new Region XI. If you don’t bring any bios, look for B.C. and the four U.S. Chapters to lead the new region...
Herb Sage from the Manitoba Chapter is the Member from our region on the Nominating Committee who will also be at this special meeting and he will carry your choices for Regional Chairman to the Nominating Committee in December. Send him the bios now for the candidates you will be proposing at the Vancouver meeting on November 10th.

For the other Eastern chapters, I will be sending a letter ballot to each chapter to get reaffirmation of your choice of the incoming regional chairman which was voted upon by 13 chapters at the Benmiller CRC. A report of this letter ballot will be given to our representatives on the Nominating Committee for their December '78 meeting - Cliff Morrison, Delegate and Mort Slone, Alternate, who will convey to this committee your choice for incoming regional chairman.

In 1980, the spring Region II CRC will be held in Moncton as scheduled with the New Brunswick chapter host. The actual dates are not established yet, but May 22 to 24 is open. Would Gary Hoadley advise me of the dates please.

In 1981 no location or date has been picked and will be decided at the CRC in Saskatoon next May.

As part of the reorganization motion, it was also passed that:

1. At least one Director-at-Large be from Canada.

2. The Canadian Presidential Representative assignment be continued (John Ross continues in this capacity for this year).

3. ASHRAE Research Canada organization to be continued.

If the Society By-Law changes are approved by the membership, Canada will have more membership on the Board of Directors in the future - a real plus for us. The attached map gives the final regional boundaries although they can be altered easily if adjacent regions are in agreement to a mutual change.

I plan to mail another Newsletter shortly describing other regional information and highlights of the Albuquerque meeting as it affects us. Meanwhile remember to send New York and myself copies of the minutes of your chapter meetings and executive meetings. These minutes should be done promptly after each meeting - within 2 or 3 days, and mailed out immediately. This enables New York and myself to react to items which are recorded in the minutes.

G. E. Menzies

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Attach.
September 15, 1978
ASHRAE in Canada - a new look!
8 chapters in the East, forming Region II and 6 Canadian chapters in the West plus 4 American forming Region XI.