TC 7.9 Meeting Minutes
Sunday, January 29th, 2017
Las Vegas, NV

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TC/TG/TRG NO:  TC 7.9
TC/TG/TRG/TITLE:  Building Commissioning
DATE OF MEETING:  January 29th, 2017
LOCATION:  Las Vegas, NV

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1. Call To Order / Scope / Introduction

Sarah Maston (Chair) called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. All who were present provided self-introductions, including their name and affiliation.

Mike Amstadt moved to approve the agenda for the St. Louis Meeting, Justin Garner seconded.

2. Voting Member Roll Call

There were 8 voting members present out of a total of 13 voting members. A quorum of voting members was present for the meeting.

3. Approval of St Louis Minutes

The draft minutes from St. Louis were reviewed and a correction was noted. Motion was made and seconded to approve minutes as amended.

Justin Garner moved to approve, Justin Seter seconded.

Motion passed: 8 – 0 – 0 (Yea – Nay – Abstain)

4. ASHRAE Administrative Matters / Issues from TC Chairs Breakfast

TC Chair’s Breakfast Notes:

New MTG since STL Louis meeting on Air Changes rates

TC website template is much easier to use, ASHRAE society has taken over managing membership lists – Dave Shipley

Joining TC 7.9 is very easy, go to website: http://tc0709.ashraetcs.org/membership.php

Monday 6:30 – 8:00 AM Subcommittee Chair Training Website
Tuesday 11:00 – Noon Subcommittee Chair Training Programs

5. Correspondence / Announcements

A discussion was mentioned regarding developing a program for operating and managing an OPR workshop. This will be followed up on in the appropriate sub-committee meetings.

6. Society Liaisons

Sarah Maston - CEC Update - ASHRAE Programs

Las Vegas Conference
- 164 abstracts, 145 approved, 102 papers received
- 81 conference papers presented in 22 different sessions
- 42 conference papers presented in poster sessions
- 76 presented seminars,
- Recognized 6 different student papers
STL potential source bias disclosure, came out of TAC to document potential sources of bias. Moving forward on speaking, all speakers will need to complete form

Long Beach

- There will be a commissioning track in Long Beach (June 2017) - Commissioning: Optimizing New and Existing Buildings and their Operation
- Submissions due February 6, 2017

Tracks and key dates for upcoming conferences on are on the websites and www.ashrae.org/longbeach and www.ashrae.org/chicago

Society Handbook Update

Our TC is partaking in a pilot program to make incremental updates throughout the year instead of the typical cycle

Society Standards Update

- Represent ASHRAE on other code related organizations i.e. IECC, etc.
- Society resource for standards and codes
- Represent ASHRAE at code hearings on our stance on certain issues
- If there are issues with model codes that TCs are aware of, please let them know so they can bring up those issues

7. Sub-Committee Reports

- Membership ..............................................Don Blacklock
  - No report
- Program ....................................................Lee Riback
  - Great meeting combined with the Handbook and Research Subcommittee on Saturday. Requesting 3 hours for next meeting so subcommittee has enough time for discussion.
  - Long Beach meeting update: 22 submissions for the commissioning track to date. 16 have been accepted, 6 have been approved. 10 conference papers, 1 paper has been accepted.
  - Great ideas for programs were discussed i.e. OPR workshop, VAV sampling discussion, Cx specifications dos and don’ts, electrical commissioning, commissioning for design build forum, existing building optimization, residential commissioning, optimization in new building commissioning.
  - Potential idea to do forum before TC 7.9 meeting
  - All submissions are due February 6, 2017.
- Research......................................................David Shipley
  - A couple ideas have been on the tracking log but not RTAR ready
  - Improved tools on measuring the performance of a control loop project report complete. The project is nearly complete and is on track for successful publication soon. Project Number 1587 report is available.
- Handbook (Applications - Chapter 43) ......................John Gibbemeyer
o ASHRAE is looking to do handbook update out of sequence for handbook online through new online authoring portal for handbook documents. Does not require a full chapter update. Looking at certain handbook chapter sections that will be easy to update.

o If you help with contributing on the handbook edits online, you will get access to Handbook online for free for a certain time period.

o If you get CD, you get handbook online for free. If you get the physical handbook, handbook online is an additional cost.

o Monthly meetings on second Monday of each month via phone and webcast to keep up momentum on all sub-committee activity.

• Standards..............................................................Walter Grondzik
  o TC 7.9 remains very active in the standards arena.
  o SSPC202 will oversee active continuous maintenance on various documents i.e. Standard 202, Guideline 0, Guideline 1, etc.
  o CIBSE, ICARE, OLAR with ASHRAE is working on standardization of definitions across different organizations

• Web Site ...............................................................David Shipley
  o Website: http://tc0709.ashraetcs.org/
  o Forward all content that should be on website to Website Subcommittee Chair i.e. Meeting Minutes, Programs

• Journal and Insights/International .....................Thursten Simonsen
  o No report

• Honors & Awards ..................................................Walter Grondzik
  o Submitted Outstanding Achievement award for someone on the committee.
  o The Outstanding Achievement Award is for active volunteers, don’t be shy about nominating yourself for recognition, talk to Walter.
  o The Hightower Award has a bit tougher requirements but there are likely several who may qualify, please see Walter.

8. Cognizant Committee Liaison Reports

• SSPC 202 The Commissioning Process .....................Gerry Kettler (next several sections)
  o Standard Under Continuous Maintenance
  o Active sub-committees for Standard 202, Guideline 0, 1.1 and 1.5. All these guidelines are under continuous maintenance.
  o STD 202 adopted by 189.1. Working on 62.1 and 90.1. An informative annex in commissioning has been proposed for 90.1.
  o Liaisons have been appointed to Standards 189.1, 90.1 and 62.1. Liaisons exist with AIA, ICC, NFPA and NIBS
  o Industry publication summary has been developed and distributed to 202 committee members.
  o Meeting on Monday, 1/30 from 8 to Noon - Agenda includes:
    ▪ Commissioning Titles and Definitions – public review completed with three comments. Subcommittee 202 is developing responses
    ▪ Commissioning process application special publication.
- Commissioning section being developed for 189.1
- International commissioning documentation report
- Commissioning documentation in Cal Green

- USDOE/NIBS CWCC Program and Certifications – Commissioning Provider (one of 5 titles)
  - DOE completed program development in 2015. It licenses organizations that meet the ISO 17024 and DOE requirements to certify individuals. BCA has been ANSI certified and licensed by DOE. NEBB is in process of seeking DOE Cx certification. AEE and ASHRAE now licensed for non-commissioning certifications.
  - DOE program has certification and certificate programs.

- National Institute of Building Science (NIBS)
  - Commissioning Council met January 11, 2017 in Washington
  - WBDG commissioning sections have been updated

- American Institute of Architects (AIA)
  - Developing an AIA commissioning services contract boiler plate
  - Have hired a staff member to coordinate the commissioning process.

- International Code Council (ICC)
  - 2015 versions of IECC and IGCC require commissioning. The 2018 code issues appear to be following the same requirements.
  - Published Guideline G-4 – Guideline for Commissioning
  - Standard 1000 – Standard for Commissioning Process is on hold at this time. It has been through the first public review.

  - ICC IGCC being folded into 189.1 for 2018 except for administration chapter.
  - Cx requirements are being addressed in 189.1 WG 10 to follow Standard 202 process requirements and coordinate with other codes.

- CAL Green – Title 24
  - Includes Commissioning requirements
  - Has developed checklists for new construction.

- ALI Commissioning Courses………………………………..Walter Grondzik
  - There are 4 commissioning courses. Including two all-day commissioning courses (one on building envelope) and two half day courses on Guideline 0 and Standard 202. They are popular courses and are also being offered internationally (Denmark and Italy).

- SGP C 0 “The Commissioning Process” & SGP C 1 “HVAC&R System Commissioning”…………Micheal Amstadt
  - These subcommittees fall under SSPC202 for continuing maintenance

- GPC 0.2 “Commissioning of Existing Buildings”......
  - Published for use

- GPC 1.2 “Commissioning of Existing HVAC&R Systems” Rick
  - Working on final draft for public review in March 2017
  - Annex work is ongoing

- GPC 1.3 “O&M Training for HVAC&R Commissioning” Walter Grondzik
  - Working on full document for public review in February 2017
9. Other Committee Liaison Reports

- SSPC-62 “Ventilation for Acceptable IAQ”.................Jean Pelletier
  - No report
  - Working incorporating commissioning details in user’s manual in the next 30 days
  - Working on incorporating more commissioning activities in the 90.1 – 2019
  - Standard 111 meeting on Monday morning, working on voting for public review.
  - Moving sections from handbook chapter to standard and vice versa.
- GPC-11 Control Components Testing ........................Justin Garner
  - Meet on Saturday morning and working on document for public review
- TC 7.1 “Integrated Building Design”..........................David Allen
  - Working on major update for 2019 handbook chapter to include commissioning
- TC 7.3 “Operation and Maintenance Management”..............Thurston Simonsen
  - Meeting Tuesday afternoon, making handbook updates and possibly research projects in the future
  - Seminar on technical writing today
- TC 7.7 Testing and Balancing...................................Justin Garner
  - Meeting is tomorrow afternoon
  - Call for help on publications
- TC 7.8 “Owning and Operating Costs”.........................Paul Leman
  - No report
- TC 9.6 “Healthcare” .............................................Roger Lautz
  - No report
- AEDG “Advanced Energy Design Guidelines”.............Jay Enck
  - The 75% guide still not funded. Steering committee meeting tomorrow to discuss next steps.
- MTG BIM ..............................................................Walter Grondzik
  - No report

10. Other Association Reports

- BCA.................................................................Bruce Pitts
  - NCBC moved from May to October. In Salt Lake City October 16 to 18, 2017.
  - BCxA certification was approved by ANSI and is now recognized by the Better Buildings approved.
Starting BCA University and have certificate program publishing through online course
- Publish revisions to New Construction best practices document, working on existing building best practices (looking to publish in 2017)

- NEBB: .................................................................Stephen Wiggins
  - Working on ANSI standard, going for public review soon

- ACG .................................................................Ray Bert
  - Onsite assessment from ANSI, working through final punchlist. Should be ANSI accredited and DOE approved by mid-March 2017
  - 2017 CxENERGY is in mid-April 2017 Orlando
  - 2 day commissioning seminar debuting at upcoming CxENERGY conference

- AABC .................................................................Ray Bert
  - 6 hour seminar, 4 – 90 minute seminars TAB for commissioning, geared for CxA, engineers at CxENERGY
  - AABC TAB standard was released last spring for use
  - Working training activities for members for later 2017

- USGBC ...............................................................H. Jay Enck
  - LEED Version 4 is live
  - USGBC has increased registration and certification fees

- ASTM ...............................................................H. Jay Enck
  - Published a guide to support the building enclosure commissioning standard (Standard 2813). Working on what types of tests need to be conducted for building enclosure commissioning. Should be published shortly

- CCC (California Commissioning Collaborative).......Reinhard Seidl
  - No report.

- Living Building Challenge.................................David Cantrill
  - No report.

11. Old Business
- Nothing to discuss

12. New Business

- About a year ago, with J.R. Anderson passing, members within the TC wanted to recognize his work and dedication to ASHRAE. Working with ASHRAE Foundation to set up endowment in his memory, need to raise $30,000 to begin endowment. Walter will reach out to Memphis Chapter (his old chapter) and other TCs for support.
- New ASHRAE commissioning test for BCxP. For anyone that is a CPMP, when you retake the exam, you will be designated a BCxP after you pass. For more information: https://www.ashrae.org/education--certification/certification/bcxp-certification-faqs and https://www.ashrae.org/education--certification/certification/bcxp-building-commissioning-professional-certification
- There was a rollout between NIBS and ASHE on BIM updating guide for Owners at the January NIBS Conference
13. Next Meeting

- Sunday, June 25th @ 3:00 PM CST in Long Beach

14. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 4:27 P.M. PST

15. Action Items

- No Items.

16. Motions

- Motion for meeting minutes for St. Louis approval as amended - PASSED

END OF MINUTES

Attachments

Notes from TC Chair’s breakfast meeting
AGENDA
SECTION TC/TG/TRG CHAIR’S BREAKFAST MEETING
2017 Winter Meeting
Las Vegas, NV

Sunday, January 29th
6:30 A.M. – 8:00 A.M. EST
Caesar’s Palace – ALL Section meetings located on Pool level

Section 1, Forum 11 Room
Section 3, Forum 3 Room
Section 5, Forum 20 Room
Section 7, Forum 12 Room
Section 9, Forum 4 Room

Section 2, Abruzzi Room
Section 4, Forum 13 Room
Section 6, Tribune Room
Section 8, Forum 5 Room
Section 10, Forum 6 Room

Note: The agenda and times estimated are for guidance only and should be modified to be sure the most
important information is discussed and that there is adequate time to discuss things important to the
committee chairs. Note that the time estimates shown allow for other important business to be
carried out within the time frame allotted.

a.1. Introduction of TC/TG/TRG/MTG Chairs, Vice Chairs, and guests (5 minutes).

a.2. Review and approval of agenda (2 minutes). (note that you might want to solicit additions and
corrections at the time the draft agenda is sent to the TC Chairs – it is almost impossible to do anything
in only 2 minutes)

a.3. Review and approval of minutes (3 minutes).

a.4. Summarize discussion from last meeting and status of actions assigned (5 minutes).

a.5. Liaisons from other committees should each be given a chance to speak and distribute information
pertinent to the section from their committee. An effort should be made to accommodate their
schedules without major disruption of the Section meeting (15 Minutes).

a.5.1. Research Administration
a.5.2. Conference and Exposition Committee (CEC)

a.5.3. Handbook
a.5.4. Other Standing Committees

a.6. Discuss the MBOs set for the year and how the section can work together to address them (10 minutes).

a.7. Review summary report for the Section prepared from the TC/TG activity database and TAC (15
minutes).
a.7.1. Section activities and trends will be discussed relating to membership, research, programs,
publications and new communication tools and services.

a.8. Identify shared opportunities and challenges for section (10 minutes).

a.9. Announcements and Reminders for TC/TG/TRG & MTG Chairs (Handout)

a.10. Adjourn.

Note: This agenda will be discussed and finalized during the full TAC meeting in Las Vegas. This draft of the
agenda is only intended to promote thinking prior to and discussion during that meeting.
Announcements and Reminders for TC/TG/TRG & MTG Chairs
LAS VEGAS 2017

A. NEW!

1. 2016-2017 Hightower Award Recipient – Paul Lindahl, TC 3.6 & TC 8.6
   Mr. Paul Lindahl’s contributions to ASHRAE TC 3.6 and TC 8.6 in the past four years include being a handbook contributor to multiple chapters, a special liaison assignment to SSPC 90.1, and tours in various leadership positions on both TCs.

   Mr. Lindahl’s contributions to ASHRAE technical committees, and especially to TC 3.6 and TC 8.6 in the last four years, have been exemplary and make him a well deserving recipient of the George B. Hightower Technical Achievement Award.

2. 2016-2017 Service to ASHRAE Research Award Recipient – Joseph Huber, TC 1.3
   Mr. Joseph Huber’s contributions to ASHRAE TC 1.3 (Heat Transfer and Fluid Flow) in the past four years included being a contributor to multiple RTARs and work statements, Research Subcommittee chair for the TC, and Proposal Evaluation Subcommittee (PES) member, and Project Monitoring Subcommittee (PMS) member for multiple projects.

   Mr. Huber’s contributions to ASHRAE technical committees, and especially to TC 1.3 in the last four years, have been exemplary and make him a well deserving recipient of the Service to ASHRAE Research Award.

3. ASHRAE members for SY 16-17 now have free online access to ASHRAE’s Science and Technology for the Built Environment (STBE) through their existing ASHRAE.org account
   STBE is ASHRAE’s archival research publication offering comprehensive reporting of original research in science and technology related to the stationary and mobile built environment, including indoor environmental quality, thermodynamic and energy system dynamics, materials properties, refrigerants, renewable and traditional energy systems and related processes and concepts, integrated built environmental system design approaches and tools, simulation approaches and algorithms, building enclosure assemblies, and systems for minimizing and regulating space heating and cooling modes. The journal also features review articles that critically assess existing literature and point out future research directions.

   You can access your free online subscription to STBE through the ASHRAE website under the blue bar drop-down menu – Resources & Publications. ASHRAE will reassess the free access option on an annual basis and may discontinue access if interest is low.

4. New ASHRAE Technology Portal is Now Available
   The new ASHRAE Technology Portal provides easier free member access to ASHRAE Journal articles and ASHRAE Research Reports through a new robust search feature. We will still sell the reports and articles in the bookstore for nonmember purchase. URL http://technologyportal.ashrae.org.

In partnership with AIA, IES, and USGBC and with support from the DOE, ASHRAE has embarked on a new series of Advanced Energy Design Guides focusing on achieving zero energy performance. The first guide in the series is for K-12 School Buildings. The project committee is finalizing the first draft in anticipation of the first peer review. The 65% Complete Technical Refinement Draft for the Advanced Energy Design Guide for K-12 School: Achieving Zero Energy will be available for review and feedback from February 6, 2017 to February 17, 2017. All review input must be received by February 19, 2017. Once received, the input will be compiled and then reviewed by the committee who will make changes to the draft based on that input. To participate in the review, please go to www.ashrae.org/freeaedg to download the review process instructions and review input form as well as a copy of the document for review (in pdf format). The draft will be available for download starting on February 6, 2017 through Friday, February 17, 2017.

6. One New Multidisciplinary Task Groups (MTGs) have been formed since St. Louis meeting

MTG.ACR – Air Change Rate

Scope: MTG.ACR will coordinate TC/TG/TRG/SSPC technical activities to help evaluate the technical basis and adoption of airflow rate specifications in terms of Air Change Rate (ACR) or Air Changes per Hour (ACH) for spaces such as cleanrooms, laboratories, patient rooms, operating rooms, and other similar spaces. Responsibilities include the development of research projects, development and presentation of technical programs for all types of spaces which currently require ACR specifications, and a special publication detailing aspects of the ACR philosophy and practice. The work of this MTG will potentially impact design guidelines, ASHRAE Handbook, and related ASHRAE standards. This MTG intends to involve other national and international groups and organizations in these efforts.

The following committees and outside groups are currently represented on this MTG: TC 2.2, 4.3, 5.3, 5.8, 9.2, 9.6, 9.10, 9.11, SSPC 62.1, SSPC 170, I2SL, NIOSH, AIHA and potentially more that wish to also join.

The chair of this MTG is Kishor Khankari.

For more information on this new MTG and the nine other existing MTGs, please go to the MTG section on the following web page: http://www.ashrae.org/tcs.

If your TC would like to have a voting representative on a particular MTG, please contact the ASHRAE Manager of Research and Technical Services, Mike Vaughn, at MORTS@ashrae.net.

7. Updated TC Website Template – Initial Feedback, if any?

Since the Atlanta meeting, the Society’s Electronic Communication Committee (ECC), ECC staff, TAC volunteers Gage and Cooper, and a consultant have been working to modernize and streamline the template for TC websites and now most of the TC websites have been moved to this new template. The new template so far includes
WIZYWIG editing, automatic rosters, and simplified document uploading. There is no longer a need for HTML editing. If you have any feedback on the new template or suggestions for additional features, please let your Section Head and MORTS know.

8. **New Restructured TC MOP (Manual of Procedures) to be issued after Las Vegas Meeting**
   TAC has restructured the TC MOP so that it is easier to navigate and find information.

9. **How to Import Your TC Roster Information into MS-Outlook**
   Detailed instructions on how to import your TC roster information into MS-Outlook has been created and an e-mail announcement will be issued to all TC chairs, vice chairs, and secretaries once these instructions and the restructured TC MOP are posted to the TC page of the website (www.ashrae.org/TCs).

B. **AT THIS MEETING**

1. **On-Site Training Options**
   i. **TC/TG/TRG Chair’s Training Workshop Reminder**
      Sunday January 29th, 9:45-10:45 AM in Roman I Room (Promenade Level) in the Caesars Palace Hotel. Roster Update training will be the primary topic of discussion, but other information for TCs will also be announced at this meeting. TAC is also interested in any feedback you have to offer on current TC programs and procedures.

   ii. **RAC’s Research Subcommittee Chair’s Breakfast**
      Monday, January 30th, 6:30 AM – 8:00 AM in Roman III Room (Emperors Level) in the Caesars Palace Hotel. Please encourage your Research Subcommittee Chair or another representative from the TC to attend this meeting so that your RAC Research Liaison (RL) can get an update on the TC’s research activities and so that your RL can help resolve issues & questions that TC may have concerning their research program. The training portion of this meeting will focus on the duties and responsibilities of Project Monitoring Subcommittee members.

   iii. **TC Program Subcommittee Chair Training in Las Vegas**
      Tuesday, 1/31, 11:15 AM – Noon, in Forum 23 Room (Pool Level) in the Caesars Palace Hotel. *Don’t complain about the meeting program and your TC’s submissions if you have not been to training.*

      A few things you might learn in training are as follows:
      - Incomplete program submissions is the biggest reason for rejection now. All information is needed up front for CEC selection process.
      - A packaged session on a similar topic is the best way to greatly improve your chances for acceptance.
      - There is no difference in how CEC handles 60 and 90 minute program slots. 60 minute slots are just as good as 90 minute slots if complete.
iv. **Handbook Training for TCs**  
**ASHRAE Authoring Portal**  
Sunday, 1/29, 8 AM to 9 AM, in Turin Room (Promenade Level) in the Caesars Palace Hotel.

This session will introduce the new [ASHRAE Authoring Portal](#) for collaborative work on Handbook chapters or other publications. The session will also show new TC Handbook chairs (and TC chairs) what they need to know about Handbook chapter development and revision—the process, the product, and how to succeed. Includes time for Q&A and discussion.

**Volume/TC Meetings**  
Sunday, 1/29, 9 AM to 10 AM  
**2018 Refrigeration**, Room: Forum 19 (Pool level)  
**2019 HVAC Applications**, Room: Forum 3 (Pool level)  
**2020 HVAC Systems and Equipment**, Room: Forum 18 (Pool level)

The agenda for these Handbook-volume-specific meetings will include topics of interest/applicability to all chapters, plus time for Q&A and individual consultation between Handbook Committee liaisons and TC Handbook chairs. Liaisons will still do their best to attend TC Handbook Subcommittee meetings for additional consultation as needed.

We know some TCs have chapters in more than one volume. If your TC has chapters in more than one volume, **you should go to the volume meeting for the chapters that are due the soonest**. And if your TC hasn’t appointed a Handbook Subcommittee chair or representative who can attend one of these meetings, now would be a great time to do so.

On behalf of the Handbook Committee, staff, and ASHRAE Handbook users everywhere, thank you for your continuing dedication to this effort.

v. **Seminar 30 – Electronic Project and Document Management: An Introduction and ASHRAE’s System**  
Monday, 1/30, 11 AM to 12 PM, in Augustus III/IV Room (Emperors Level) in the Caesars Palace Hotel.
- **Basecamp Fundamentals** – Cynthia Callaway, P2S Engineering Inc., Long Beach, CA
- **ASHRAE Authoring Portal** – Mark Owen, Handbook Editor, ASHRAE, Atlanta, GA

2. **Location of Section Head Mailboxes & Free Wi-Fi Access at this Society meeting**  
Mailboxes are located just outside ASHRAE Headquarters Office (Forum 8-10 – Pool Level – Caesars Palace Hotel).

Also, Internet access and computers for e-mail are available in the Cyber Café located in the registration area (Palace I, Emperors Level, of the Caesars Palace hotel) during operating hours. Please be considerate to others and limit your usage to five minutes.

Wireless internet will be available in all meeting rooms at Caesars Palace. ASHRAE will be working with the internet provider to manage the bandwidth so that member
expectations of accessibility and speed are fulfilled. We would like to request that everyone limit their usage to functions that do not use excessive bandwidth. Applications such as Facebook, YouTube, streaming video, etc. use excessive bandwidth. Wi-Fi Access: ashrae2017 is the network, lasvegas is password (case sensitive).

3. RPM (Remote Participation Meetings) being held in Las Vegas
The 11th RPM beta test (Remote Participation Meetings – Formerly known as E&P meetings), which allows some TC members to participate in the TC meeting from a remote location electronically, will occur in Las Vegas and the following twelve TCs have agreed to participate in this test: TC 4.2, TC 4.5, TC 6.8, TC 7.3, TC 7.8, TC 7.9, TC 9.2, TC 9.4, TC 10.3, TC 10.6, MTG.CCDG, and MTG.LowGWP – In addition to these TCs, 19 PCs and 2 Ad hoc committees also hosted RPM meetings in Las Vegas. Overall, RPM requests exceeded our capacity on Monday and Tuesday with six RPM sets, but I’m happy to report that 4 additional RPM sets will be purchased for use at the Long Beach meeting. This will allow us to host 10 RPM meetings simultaneously in Long Beach. The chairs of those TCs participating should provide to their Section Head feedback on their RPM meeting experience before TAC meets on Wednesday morning, 2/1.

C. UPCOMING DEADLINES

1. 17-18 Roster Update Process & TC Input Deadline
Remember, the current 2016-2017 roster for your TC, TG or MTG is in effect until after the June meeting this year. The new committee rosters for Society year 2017-2018 will be created based upon the update information that each TC, TG or MTG provides to their section head at this meeting **by midnight, Tuesday, 1/31/17** and these new rosters will go into effect on July 1, 2017. Please see your section head for the 2017-2018 Roster Update form if you still need a copy.

2. TC Activity Forms for the Las Vegas Meeting are due to Your Section Head **before Wednesday, 2/1/17**
TC/TG/TRG Activity Feedback Form (Excel) can downloaded from the Technical Committee webpage under the “TC Forms and Documents” page - [https://www.ashrae.org/standards-research--technology/technical-committees/tc-forms-and-documents](https://www.ashrae.org/standards-research--technology/technical-committees/tc-forms-and-documents). Section heads can also provide an electronic copy of the form if requested.

3. Seminar and Forum proposals for Long Beach are due by **Monday, February 6th, 2017**. Please visit the following site to submit your proposal:

   For more information, go to: [www.ashrae.org/LongBeach](http://www.ashrae.org/LongBeach).

D. REMINDERS

1. 16-17 Rosters Access & Distribution - Remember, the current 2016-2017 roster for your TC, TG or MTG is in effect until **after the June meeting this year – through Friday, June 30th.**
By now, each TC, TG and MTG chair should have received a PDF & MS-Excel file of their new 2016-2017 roster from their Section Head or staff for distribution to the committee. In addition, each member can view all of the rosters of their committees on the ASHRAE Website. Go to www.ashrae.org http://www.ashrae.org, click on the “Membership & Conferences” tab in the header, click on “My Membership” text in the left sidebar, and log in (if you have not logged in lately, you might need to set up a new username and password). Click on the “Update Your Bio / View or Edit Tour Profile” link. Now, you should see your current “bio info”. Click on “Committees” on the left sidebar; all of the committees you are a member of will appear. Click on the “blue” roster text at the left hand side of a committee to reveal the roster with linked contact information. Make sure everyone on your committee also knows how to access the roster.

The Provisional Corresponding Member (PCM) position is a relatively new position on TC/TG/TRG rosters. This position allows potential new members to be added by staff to the committee roster any time a request for membership is made by an individual. The position has a 2-year term on the committee. Staff will notify the chair and reissue a new roster to the committee chair any time a provisional member is added. The TC/TG/TRG chair has the option each year during the regular roster update process to convert provisional CMs that have been active participants on the committee the past year into regular CMs or voting members or drop them. If no action is taken, they will time expire from the roster and be removed by staff.

2. Useful TC/TG/TRG/MTG Chair Information and forms on ASHRAE website
   Information for TC/TG/TRG and MTG chairs can be found on the Technical Committee page of the ASHRAE website at the following link: http://www.ashrae.org/tcs

   An updated draft of the TC/TG/TRG Manual of Procedures (MOP) is being considered for approval by TAC at the Las Vegas meeting and it is expected to be posted soon to this site and announced to all TC chairs once posted.

3. Request for each TC to briefly review ASHRAE Code of Ethics at start of meeting
   See the following link for the latest version of the ASHRAE Code of Ethics: https://www.ashrae.org/about-ashrae/

4. Make a Special Effort to welcome new Members, and Visitors to TC meeting
   Potential new members for your committee have been encouraged to drop-by your meeting. As a result, please make a special effort to recognize and warmly welcome all visitors to your meeting – A TC can never have too many willing and able volunteers.

5. Option for TC Subcommittee Meetings via Conference Calls and Web Meetings
   More and more TCs are taking advantage of a new Society service that allows TCs to hold subcommittee meetings by phone and/or web. Many TCs are finding this to be a more efficient way for them to conduct subcommittee business and it also allows TC members that can’t travel to meetings on a regular basis a way to still contribute to the TC. Such a change can also eliminate potential conflicts with the TC’s program sessions at Society meetings. Please pass your conference call/web meeting/webinar requests on to the Manager of Research and Technical Services, Mike Vaughn, at mvaughn@ashrae.org or MORTS@ashrae.net
6. Is Your Committee Website up to Date?
If not, please ask your webmaster to at least post the latest minutes and the Las Vegas meeting times and agenda. If your website has been neglected, add an action item for this meeting to appoint a responsible member of the TC/TG/TRG who will bring it back to life. The new TC website template has greatly simplified the duties of the TC webmaster and this form of communication is critical to the efficient operation of your committee, and for attracting new members.

The recent conversion to a new TC website platform highlighted a couple areas where a refresher of the ASHRAE rules on website maintenance is warranted. First be aware that ASHRAE Products (i.e., handbook chapters, journal articles, final reports from research projects, etc.) cannot be published on your TC’s website. It is very appropriate to post the title and scope of the product and then link the reader to the ASHRAE bookstore or other location on the ASHRAE site where the product may be purchased. Any possible exceptions to this rule must be sent through Steve Comstock for review and approval (scomstock@ashrae.org). The second issue involves timely posting of the draft minutes. Draft minutes (and final, approved minutes from the prior meeting) should be posted to your website (or otherwise distributed to the members) within 60 days after the meeting. Please ensure that your secretary and webmaster are aware of this deadline. To assist your secretary in understanding the procedures for taking and reporting minutes, a video has been developed and posted on the Technical Committees’ Training page (https://www.ashrae.org/standards-research--technology/technical-committees/tc-training-and-presentations). On the same page, a video has also been posted for use by webmasters to learn about the procedures and schedules for maintain the new websites.

7. TC 2016-2017 Master Calendar – Now Available through Google - The Technical Committee Master Calendar is now available through Google. In order to access this calendar you need to have a Google account.

Once you log into your Google account, follow the instructions below:

To add a friend's calendar, just follow these steps:
- At the bottom of the calendar list on the left, click Add and select Add a friend's calendar.
- Enter the appropriate email address (techservices1791@gmail.com) in the field provided, then click Add.

This calendar is public and will appear under ‘Other Calendars’ in the left column.

To set up Google Calendar Sync to your Outlook:
- Make sure you're using a supported operating system and Outlook version.
- Download Google Calendar Sync (version 0.9.3.6) at http://dl.google.com/googlecalendarsync/GoogleCalendarSync_Installer.exe
- Once a dialog box appears, click Save File. The downloaded file should open automatically. If it doesn't, manually open it from your browser's download window.
- Click OK to confirm that you're aware this is an executable file.
- Read through the Google Calendar Sync Terms of Service, and click I Agree.
- Follow through the Installation Options and click Install to finish the set-up process.
Once Google Calendar Sync is installed on your computer, the Google Calendar Sync Settings window will appear:

In the Settings window, enter your email address and password and select the Sync Option you prefer. Read about each Sync Option.

You'll also be able to set the time interval for syncing to occur. Please keep in mind that 10 minutes is the minimum time interval allowed.

After the initial set-up, you can access the Google Calendar Sync Settings window again by double-clicking the calendar icon in your Windows System Tray.

E. RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT

1. RAC Prioritizing Research Topics Related to the Residential Sector
   In 2015-2016, RAC started prioritizing for bid accepted research topics that support Goal #3 below from the Research Strategic Plan.

   **Goal #3:** To reduce significantly the energy consumption for HVAC&R, water heating and lighting in existing homes.

2. CEC’s Standing Request for Future Society Meeting Program Track Suggestions
   The Conferences and Expositions Committee (CEC) oversees ASHRAE’s annual and winter conferences and other specialty conferences and expositions globally. The CEC continually works to improve the conference experience for all attendees. To help keep a “pulse” on the technical issues facing professionals in the HVAC&R marketplace, and to create meetings that reach all of ASHRAE’s constituencies, the CEC seeks ideas for tracks for the Houston 2018 meeting and annual and winter conferences beyond as well as topics for specialty conferences from TC members.

   Please submit your suggestions to ASHRAE Staff member Tony Giometti (giometti@ashrae.org). You can also add your track suggestion in the “Comment” section of the TC Activity form for the Las Vegas meeting.

   CEC is particularly interested right now in getting suggestions for the 2018 Annual Meeting Program in Houston, TX. Please submit your suggestions before February 20, 2017.

3. CEC Always Seeks TC Volunteers willing to Support Content Development and Quality Control for Society Technical Program at Society Meetings
   Provide to your Section Head after each Society meeting a list of qualified volunteers from your TC that are potential Technical Session chairs and reviewers of session papers that are related to TC’s scope for use by the Conferences & Expositions Committee (CEC) in developing technical content for future technical programs.

   There is also now a link on the following webpage of the ASHRAE website where you can volunteer online to be a paper reviewer: [https://www.ashrae.org/membership-conferences/conferences/papers-and-programs#reviewers](https://www.ashrae.org/membership-conferences/conferences/papers-and-programs#reviewers)
4. **TAC Presentation Template for TC members to use with local Chapter**
   TAC developed a presentation template that allows TC members, without a lot of effort, to give a presentation to their local chapter on TAC and the TCs in general and to also customize a few slides with information specific to their own TC or TCs. The template is posted on the Technical Committee page of the ASHRAE website for download under the heading “General TC Information.”

5. **The Professional Development Committee (PDC) is seeking ideas for new ASHRAE Learning Institute (ALI) courses.**
   The need is for practical courses of broad interest to be presented as face-to-face seminars or short courses, instructor-led online courses and self-paced courses. Examples would include courses with a focus on new technologies that need to be shared, fundamentals that may have been forgotten, standard applications that need explanation, and courses based on new design guides.

   The objective of the ASHRAE Learning Institute (ALI) is to provide quality, authoritative and practical technical information of broad interest.

   Contact Karen Murray (ASHRAE staff) at kmurray@ashre.org with new course ideas.

F. **CURRENT & UPCOMING ASHRAE CONFERENCE PROGRAMS**

1. **Program Focus at Las Vegas Winter Conference**
   The Las Vegas Conference Technical Program addresses a wide variety of topics in the application of technology to practice. Specific program tracks are as follows:

   **Program Focus at Las Vegas Winter Conference**

   i. Track 1: Fundamentals and Applications
   ii. Track 2: HVAC&R Systems and Equipment
   iii. Track 3: Water-Energy Nexus
   iv. Track 4: Commercial and Industrial IAQ
   v. Track 5: Mission Critical Design and Operation
   vi. Track 6: Effects of Climate Change on HVAC&R
   vii. Track 7: Energy Efficient Industrial Buildings
   viii. Track 8: Building Operation and Performance

2. **Long Beach Annual Conference - June 24 – June 28, 2017**
   Seminar and Forum proposals for St. Louis are due by **Monday, February 6th, 2017**. Conference Website: [www.ashrae.org/LongBeach](http://www.ashrae.org/LongBeach)
   Conference Program Chair: Ann Peratt Email: ann.peratt@gmail.com
Program Focus at Long Beach Annual Conference

i. Track 1: Fundamentals and Applications

ii. Track 2: HVAC&R Systems and Equipment

iii. Track 3: Refrigeration

iv. Track 4: Building Life Safety Systems

v. Track 5: Controls: Smart Building Systems and the Security Concerns as Technology Emerges

vi. Track 6: Commissioning: Optimizing New and Existing Buildings and their Operation

vii. Track 7: Net Zero Energy Buildings: The International Race to 2030

viii. Track 8: Residential Buildings: Standards and Guidelines and Codes

ix. Track 9: Research Summit

3. CEC Seeks Program Tracks Suggestions for the 2018 Annual Meeting in Houston, TX

CEC is seeking track suggestions for the 2018 Annual meeting technical program. If you have a suggested track, please pass it on to Tony Giometti, staff liaison to CEC, at PRGstaff@ashrae.net before February 20, 2017.

Additional information on past, present, and potential future tracks can be found at the end of this handout as additional information

G. OTHER UPCOMING WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

1. 2017


v. **Take Control: Using Analytics to Drive Building Performance Webcast** – Apr. 20, 2017 – 1 pm to 4 pm EDT – Contact: [www.ashrae.org/webcast](http://www.ashrae.org/webcast)

vi. **Beyond NZEB: Retrofit of Existing Buildings** – May 10 - 11, 2017 – Matera, ITALY - Contact: [http://www.aicarr.org/Pages/EN/Upcoming%20Events/2016/50AiCARR.aspx](http://www.aicarr.org/Pages/EN/Upcoming%20Events/2016/50AiCARR.aspx)


xii. **ASHRAE Building Performance Analysis Conference** – September 27-29, 2017 – Atlanta GA, USA – Contact: [https://ashraem.confex.com/ashraem/bpa17/cfp.cgi](https://ashraem.confex.com/ashraem/bpa17/cfp.cgi)

xiii. **2nd ASHRAE Developing Economies Conference** – Nov. 10-11, 2017, Delhi, INDIA – Contact: [https://ashraem.confex.com/ashraem/de17/cfp.cgi](https://ashraem.confex.com/ashraem/de17/cfp.cgi)
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Building Operation, Maintenance, and Optimization/Commissioning  Energy Efficiency

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High Performance Buildings  Hospital Desgin & Codes

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