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**NATIONAL BOARD**

**SUBGROUP**

**GRAPHITE**

MINUTES

Meeting of March 27th, 2018

Columbus, Ohio

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1. **Call to Order**

Acting Chair Mr. Aaron Viet called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m.

1. **Introduction of Members and Visitors**

Mr. Viet asked all who were present to introduce themselves. The following people were in attendance:

Andrew Stupica - member

Mote Bost - member

Chris Cary - member

Aaron Viet - member

Bryan Jones – member

Francis Brown - member

Jonathan Ellis – secretary

Nolan Lee – visitor

Caleb Krichbaum – visitor

Brian Burns – visitor

Gary Scribner - visitor

1. **Announcements**

Mr. Andrew Stupica announced that Mr. Ed Soltow is no longer working in the graphite boiler industry, and has stepped down from the Graphite Subgroup. As he was the Chairman of the Subgroup, a new Chairman will need to be selected.

1. **Adoption of the Agenda**

Mr. Viet moved to adopt the agenda as written. The motion was seconded and then approved unanimously.

1. **Approval of the Minutes of March 27th, 2018 Meeting**

The minutes of the March 27th, 2018 meeting will be published on the National Board website, www.nationalboard.org.

1. **Review of Rosters**
   1. **Membership Nominations**
      1. Mr. Ramkumar Selveraj will need to be replaced, but no decision was made on who will be nominated to replace him.
   2. **Membership Reappointments**
      1. The group voted unanimously to nominate Mr. Greg Becherer for reappointment.
   3. **Officer Nominations**
      1. Mr. Aaron Viet was voted to be the acting chair for this meeting. Mr. Viet then asked for a ballot to be sent out to the entire subgroup after the meeting to vote on a permanent chair for the subgroup. Mr. Viet and Mr. Stupica will be the two names on this ballot.
2. **NBIC Business**

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| **Item Number: NB15-2208** | **NBIC Location: Part 3, S3** | **No Attachment** |
| **General Description:** Investigate repair options for graphite block heat exchangers | | |
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| **Subgroup:** Graphite  **Task Group:** G. Becherer (PM)  **Meeting Action:**  No new updates were presented at this meeting for this item, as Mr. Becherer was not present. Mr. Viet will get in touch with Mr. Becherer after the meeting to about progress on the item. | | |

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| **Item Number: NB15-2209** | **NBIC Location: Part 1** | **No Attachment** |
| **General Description:** Develop guidance and requirements for installation of graphite pressure equipment | | |
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| **Subgroup:** Graphite  **Task Group:** A. Stupica (PM)  **Meeting Action:** This item was approved by Main Committee via letter ballot. | | |

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| **Item Number: NB15-2210** | **NBIC Location: Part 3** | **No Attachment** |
| **General Description:** Reduce cementing requirements for plugging of tubes | | |
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| **Subgroup:** Graphite  **Task Group:** C. Cary (PM)  **Meeting Action:** This item was at Main Committee letter ballot when this meeting took place. As there were multiple disapproval comments, the group discussed them and what they could do before the Jly meeting to prepare a new proposal to present to the Main committee at the July 2018 NBIC meeting. The group agreed that clarification needed be made for the “Twist Test”. The group will prepare a new proposal by May 1, and the proposal will be balloted up to Main Committee before the July NBIC meeting. | | |

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| **Item Number: 17-165** | **NBIC Location: Part 3, S3** | **No Attachment** |
| **General Description:** Change reimpregnation of graphite to routine repair | | |
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| **Subgroup:** Graphite  **Task Group:** R. Selveraj (PM)  **Meeting Action:** After discussing this item, the group decided to close it with no action as they did not recall why this needed to be addressed. | | |

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| **Item Number: 17-166** | **NBIC Location: Part 3, S3** | **No Attachment** |
| **General Description:** Remove nozzle replacement and tube replacement from graphite routine repair list | | |
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| **Subgroup:** Graphite  **Task Group:** F. Brown (PM)  **Meeting Action:** Mr. Francis Brown will have a proposal prepared for presentation at the July NBIC meeting. | | |

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| **Item Number: 17-167** | **NBIC Location: Part 3, S3** | **No Attachment** |
| **General Description:** Clarify repair inspection requirements for machined only graphite parts | | |
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| **Subgroup:** Graphite  **Task Group:** A. Viet  **Meeting Action:** Discussion was held on the documentation and inspection requirements for machined graphite parts. Mr. Monte Bost and Mr. Viet will work together to create and present a proposal at the July meeting to address this item. | | |

1. **Future Meetings**

* July 17th and 18th – Columbus, Ohio
* TBD (most likely in November) – Columbus, OH

1. **Adjournment**

Mr. Viet adjourned the meeting at 1:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Ellis

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NBIC Secretary