PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT
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MINUTES of the Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Asbestos Textile Institute held in Philadelphia, Pa., at the Warwick Hotel on Sept. 5, 1956

IN ATTENDANCE:

F. J. Wakem, President
JOHNS-MANVILLE CORP.

AMERICAN ASBESTOS TEXTILE CORP.
A. J. Scanlan

RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.
G. W. Marshall, Jr.

ASTEN-HILL MANUFACTURING CO.
J. G. Schoepf

SOUTHERN ASBESTOS CO.
J. T. Griffis

KEASBEY & MATTISON CO.
D. W. Widmayer

CADWALADER, WICKERSHAM & TAFT
M. I. Ruddock

M. C. Shaw, Secretary
ASBESTOS TEXTILE INSTITUTE

1. The meeting was called to order by President Wakem and the attendance of the entire membership of the duly elected members of this Board was appreciatively recognized.

The first subjects presented for consideration at this meeting were the reports by the chairmen of the several committees related to the activities of these groups during the past quarter.

The first committee report was presented by Mr. D. R. Holmes, Chairman, Air Hygiene Committee. It was reported that at the meeting held by this committee earlier on this date, a thorough discussion was pursued covering a wide variety of subjects under consideration by this group. Topics covered included air purification and conditioning, fiber conditioning, the proposed Epidemiological study to be undertaken by the Industrial Hygiene Foundation and the purported relationship of asbestosis and lung cancer. In this latter connection, it was agreed by the members of the Board of Governors that every effort should be exerted to disassociate this relationship until such a time that there is sufficient and authoritative information to substantiate such to be a fact.

The complete report by Mr. Holmes, as presented at the General Meeting, is attached as a part of the Minutes of these meetings.

The Technical Committee report was presented by Chairman M. W. Oliver. Part of the work of this group is being directed toward the establishment of industry-wide standards for cloths, tapes and braids and it was noted that satisfactory progress is being made toward this end. In many cases the considerations are approaching the final stages of preparation and cooperative efforts with the Sales Promotion Committee are being undertaken in order that every practical consideration may be exerted. Included among other subjects discussed at the meeting of this committee was the proposal that a new project for Fellowship consideration be adopted, said project to be concerned

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with the development of a device which could be used in the detection of metallic impurities such as tramp iron, wires of any composition, etc. One such detector has been developed by a member firm of the Institute and is in use. It was also stated that Radio Corporation of America has such an instrument ready for marketing. In view of this latter development, it was agreed that work by the Fellow in this connection should be deferred until the R.C.A. machine has been studied.

The full report of this committee as presented at the General Meeting by Mr. Oliver is attached as a part of the minutes of these meetings.

The final committee report was presented by Mr. J. T. Griffis on behalf of the Sales Promotion Committee. The activities of this committee cover a wide range of interests and efforts are being continuously exerted to advance the utilization of asbestos textiles to a greater extent in presently established lines and to develop a wide range of new applications. One of the major subjects for consideration at this meeting concerned the new exhibit that had been recently completed and was displayed at this meeting for the first time. Steps were initiated to determine suitable locations at which this exhibit may be shown most effectively.

It was further agreed that as a means of promoting this exhibit it might be desirable to furnish photographs and 35 mm color slides to the membership. It was suggested that the Secretary should determine the cost for 1) black & white photos, 8"x10", 2) color photos, 8"x10" and 3) 35 mm Kodachromes, and advise the membership accordingly. It was further agreed that $300.00 be allocated at this time to be used in obtaining copies of the 35 mm Kodachrome photos of the exhibit for each member company and associate member companies of the Institute.

Another important subject considered by this committee was related to the possibility of introducing a merit or quality labeling system within the industry whereby asbestos textiles which are manufactured to meet a specified quality standard, such standards to be approved by the Asbestos Textile Institute, would be qualified to bear a distinctive label that would indicate that A.T.I. standards have been met. It is felt that through such a procedure an industry-wide improvement in quality would result. As the first step in this proposal, the Technical Committee has been instructed to review the present standard cloth list and revise, where necessary, those specifications there set forth in order that they may be representative of current products of the industry. The subject will be considered further at the next meeting jointly by this Committee and the Sales Promotion Committee.

The full report covering the activities of this committee is attached as a part of the Minutes of these meetings.

3. Following the Committee reports the regular session of the Board of Governors was convened. President Waken advised the Board that on the occasion of the June meeting which was primarily a tour of the Canadian asbestos mining operations, no meeting of the Board of Governors was held. The minutes of the Board of Governors meeting held on March 6 was therefore offered for reading if it was the pleasure of the group. However, since all members had received copies of these minutes and were familiar with the actions there taken, it was moved by G. W. Marshall, seconded by D. W. Widmayer and unanimously agreed that the minutes be approved as presented, without a reading at this time.

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4. The Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer J. G. Schoepf and the financial status as there set forth noted. It was moved by J. G. Schoepf, seconded by G. W. Marshall and unanimously agreed that the report be presented to the General meeting with recommendations for approval.

5. At this point in the meeting, President Wakem advised the Board that since he was completing, at this meeting, his two-year term as President of the Institute, he had appointed a nominating committee for the purpose of selecting candidates for the necessary offices of the Institute to be considered and voted upon following the election of the Board of Governors members at the General meeting to be held on September 6. The nominating committee consisted of D. W. Widmayer, Chairman, A. J. Scanlan and J. A. Bettes. Mr. Wakem, in closing, expressed his appreciation for the cooperation and assistance of the several Board of Governors members during his term of office and pledged his continued interest and activity in the affairs of the Institute following his retirement from his present office.

6. The final discussion in this meeting was related to the work of the Fellowship. It was agreed that, in connection with the next meeting of the Institute, scheduled to be held in New York on December 5 and 6, there should be held a Fellowship Project Review meeting to be attended by the Board of Governors, and members of the Sales Promotion Committee, Technical Committee and Air Hygiene Committee. This meeting will be held during the afternoon of Wednesday, December 5.

7. There being no further business to come before this meeting it was moved by Mr. Marshall, seconded by D. W. Widmayer and unanimously agreed that the meeting be adjourned.

Myril C. Shaw,
Secretary
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