



Consejo de Armonización de Normas Electrotécnicas de las Naciones de las Américas
Council for Harmonization of Electrotechnical Standards of the Nations of the Americas

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MEETING: CANENA Council

PLACE OF MEETING: Microsoft Teams On-Line Meeting

DATE: Thursday, 24 February 2022

TIME: 2:30 PM – 5:00 PM

PRESIDING OFFICER: Guy Benjamin, CANENA President

1.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Council met in response to an invitation by the President, which was approved by the Executive Committee to cover the items listed in this agenda. The meeting was called to order at 2:32pm ET. The Secretary noted a quorum was present and that the DGN speaker was not available, and that agenda item was replaced by a report of the CANENA President.

MOTION: A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as amended.



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2.0 CANENA PRESIDENTS REPORT

CANENA President Guy Benjamin provided a CANENA strategic report.



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3.0 **MATTERS OF STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE** – The Secretary outlined the CANENA Executive Committee leadership positions.

3.1 President

The term for CANENA President Guy Benjamin is active till 2023. No action was needed.

3.2 Treasurer

The term for CANENA Treasurer Pierre Desilets is active till 2023. No action was needed.

3.3 CANADA Vice President

Don Harris is in the position of CANADA Vice President starting from March 1, 2021, replacing Guy Benjamin. The Secretary noted CANENA Vice-Presidents do not have term limits.

3.4 CANADA Member-at-Large

Sandu Cusmariu (Viscor Leviton) serves as CANADA Member-at-Large beginning on March 1, 2021. The Secretary noted Members-at-Large serve for two years and may be re-elected for up to two additional terms.

3.5 US Member-at-Large

Rusty Tharp (Goodman) was nominated by the US Caucus during their 18 January 2022 meeting to serve as the next US Member-at-Large on the CANENA Executive Committee. This nomination was reviewed support confirmed by the CANENA ExCo during their 18 February 2022 meeting. The Secretary noted Members-at-Large serve for two years and may be re-elected for up to two additional terms.

MOTION: A motion was made and seconded to approve Rusty Tharp as the next US Member-at-Large to the CANENA ExCo. It was unanimously approved.

3.6 Mexico Member-at-Large

Juan Manuel Máximo León (Technical Manager, Conductores Monterrey) serves as Mexican Member-at-Large. He replaced Jesús Martín Ricárdez Barberá, who served two terms from 2017 to 2021. The Secretary noted Members-at-Large serve for two years and may be re-elected for up to two additional terms.

3.7 Mexico Vice President

Jesus Martin Ricardez Barbera serves as the Mexico Vice President. He replaced Juan Manuel Rosales, who served from 2017 to 2021. The Secretary noted CANENA Vice-Presidents do not have term limits.

3.8 **Secretariat & Secretary General**

The CANENA Executive Committee shall designate the organization to serve as Secretariat and designate the Secretary-General to provide the necessary administrative support to, subject to approval by the Council. The Secretariat and Secretary General shall be assigned for a period congruent with that of the elected officers and may be reassigned to the same organization for successive terms.

ACTION: To affirm the appointment of NEMA as Secretariat and Daniel Abbate as Secretary General for consideration by Council at its February 24, 2022 meeting.

MOTION: A motion was made and seconded to confirm NEMA as Secretariat and approve Daniel Abbate as Secretary General. It was unanimously approved.



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4.0 **SECRETARY REPORT**

(D. Abbate)

The Secretary General report on the activities of the organization since the last meeting.

CANENA Bylaws Updated

The CANENA ExCo approved changes to the CANENA Bylaws during the November 8, 2021 meeting. Those changes are reflected on the CANENA website: <https://www.canena.org/about-canena/structure-management/>.

ACTION: For information only.



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5.0 **TREASURER'S & AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT**

(P. Desilets/V. Davis)

Treasurer Pierre Desilets, in coordination with Ekaterina Lutovinova (Comptroller), reported on the 2021 end of year financial report and 2022 Budget. A copy of the report was sent to and reviewed by CANENA Audit Committee Chair Valara Davis. She confirmed the Audit Committee and the Executive Committee approved the budget and year end report.

Mr. Desilets provided some additional notes:

1. AHRI: pending renewal of accord between AHRI and CANENA
2. Income: based on actuals with ponderation
3. 2023 AGM registrations: based on assumption of postponement to a face to face AGM not before 2023 and a moderate revenue due to pandemic residual effect. No forward revenue budgeted for end of 2022.
4. 2023 AGM expenses: planned starting in 2022. Slight deficit from revenue.
5. Credit card and bank services: Adjustment in 2022 as per 2021 actuals. For 2023, increase due to planned AGM.
6. Insurance: as per contract.
7. NEMA communication services: as per actuals.

MOTION: A motion was made and seconded to approve the previous year closeout, the budget for the current year, and the actions of the Audit Committee taken since the last meeting. It was unanimously approved.



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6.0 REGISTRAR'S REPORT

(L.I. Hernandez)

Luis Ivan Hernandez provided a report on CANENA membership.



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7.0 AMBASSADOR REPORT

(R. Nava)

Mexico Ambassador-at-Large Mr. Rafael Nava provided a report on international trade, standardization, and regulatory issues affecting the electrotechnical industry. He also provided some insights into the Mexican Quality Infrastructure Law.

ACTION: Secretary to work with the CANENA President to determine how CANENA can participate in the November 2022 IEC meetings in San Francisco.



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8.0 US VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT

(G. Steinman)

US Vice President Greg Steinman provided a report on the US Caucus and the National Electric Code.



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9.0 CANADA VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT

(D. Harris)

Canada Vice President Donald Harris provided a report.



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10.0 FUTURE MEETING

The next CANENA Annual General Meeting (AGM) is scheduled for February 2023 at a suitable venue in Mexico. No plans for in person meetings have been confirmed but the goal is for that to occur if conditions allow.

The 2023 CANENA Council meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2023 AGM in February 2023.

11.0 OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business discussed.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10pm ET.

Submitted By:	Danny Abbate	February 28 th , 2022
Reviewed by Counsel:	Peter Tolsdorf	March 2 nd , 2022