

EAQAC Minutes

February 2, 2011

Absent: Ted Sears, Kevin Allen, Steve Gibb, Naomi Friedman

January minutes were not available, so their approval is deferred to March.

Content was discussed for the meeting with County Executive to take place of February 10th. One issue to be raised is that DEP and DPS need to work more closely together, since energy codes and building codes need harmonization.

DEP Update:

- Workforce Training Program. EAQAC members should add qualifying training programs that they know of to the current shortlist. The training for building managers will probably take place at Montgomery College.
- Eric Coffman has a conflict on the first Wednesday of the Month, so EAQAC will meet on the second Wednesday of each month for the time being.
- There is an ongoing study in benchmarking commercial buildings (originated in the SWG) Eric will address this issue in the March meeting.

Radon Update:

The Radon Awareness Month proclamation by Montgomery County took place in January, thanks to the perseverance of Bernie Bloom. There will be a video of the proclamation on EPA's website. The DEP website contains information about Radon, with a link to EPA's web page, but there is no link to assist homeowners in finding radon mitigators. A new radon code will be formulated for 2012; It is likely that the new code will recommend putting in an active radon mitigation system if radon is above 2.0 pCi/L.