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# MINUTES

## LEED Steering Committee

Meeting date: October 25, 2010  
 Time: 2pm ET (Conference Call)  
 Minutes approved: Approved 11/8/10

Title	LSC Member	Present	Substitute	Voting	Present
<b>Chair</b>	Joel Ann Todd	X	N/A	No	
<b>Vice Chair</b>	Bryna Dunn	X	N/A	Yes	
<b>Market Advisory Committee</b>	Muscoe Martin		Lisa Matthiessen	Yes	X
<b>Technical Committee</b>	Malcolm Lewis	X	Susan Kaplan	Yes	X
<b>Implementation Committee</b>	David Sheridan	X	Brenda Morawa	Yes	X
<b>Education Steering Committee</b>	Lynn Simon	X	N/A	Yes	
<b>Chapter Steering Committee</b>	Elaine Hsieh	X	Tim Murray	Yes	
<b>At-large Member (TBD)</b>	N/A			N/A	
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<b>SVP, LEED</b>	Scot Horst	X	N/A	No	
<b>VP LEED Technical Development</b>	Brendan Owens	X	N/A	No	
<b>VP LEED Implementation</b>	Mike Opitz		N/A	No	
<b>VP Market Development</b>	Doug Gatlin		N/A	No	
<b>VP International Activities</b>			N/A	No	
<b>GBCI Representative</b>	Peter Templeton		N/A	No	
<b>Other LSC Meeting Attendees</b>				<b>Voting</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>USGBC Staff</b>	Corey Enck Deon Glaser Sonia Punjabi Sara Schoen Chris Marshall Chris Law Jason Hercules Sophie Lambert		N/A	No	X
<b>Guest Attendees</b>				No	

Committee chair Joel Todd called the meeting to order at 2:01pm with the following agenda:

1. Roll Call and Conflict of Interest Declarations
2. Introduction/Approve: Alternative Compliance Paths for Projects Outside of the U.S.
3. Overview: Regenerative Design Work
4. Discuss/Approve: Recommendations from Review of Certified Forestry Benchmark
5. Discuss: Weightings and Impact Categories

A quorum was present.



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1. **Roll Call and Conflict of Interest Declarations**
  1. No conflicts declared
  
2. **Introduction/Approve: Alternative Compliance Paths for Projects Outside of the U.S.**
  1. Sonia from staff presented the LSC with final versions of the Alternative Compliance Paths for projects outside of the United States. ACPs have been developed for LEED NC, CS, Schools, and EBOM, and are meant to reduce barriers to entry for projects registering in other countries, with such alterations as the use of metric units and the inclusion of equivalent standards that can be more generally applied. No credit thresholds have been changed.
  2. A motion to approve the ACPs for projects outside of the U.S. was made by Malcolm Lewis and seconded by Lisa Matthiessen. Motion approved by consent.
  
3. **Overview: Regenerative Design Work**
  1. Scot updated the LSC on the work currently being done on Regenerative LEED. This goal of this work is to provide green building leaders with the space and the forum for discussion to go "beyond platinum." No formal action necessary. An open session will be held on Friday of Greenbuild for participants to discuss the nature of regenerative design.
  
4. **Discuss/Approve: Recommendations from Review of Certified Forestry Benchmark**
  1. The reasonableness review task force has completed their review of the USGBC Certified Forestry Benchmark and associated credit language revisions, and found no reasonableness concerns within the document. A motion to accept the reasonableness review report for the USGBC Forest Certification Benchmark, and transmit it to USGBC to move forward with the balloting process was made by Elaine Hsieh and seconded by Lynn Simon, with Malcolm Lewis abstaining (given his former membership on the Technical and Scientific Advisory Committee). Motion approved by consent
  2. The USGBC Forest Certification Benchmark will move to ballot as approved by the LSC on a previous call and run for a period of 30 days.
  
5. **Discuss: Weightings and Impact Categories**
  1. Brendan presented the LSC with the most recent version of the weightings tool and impact categories being developed for the next version of LEED. This includes an online platform that will allow USGBC to allocate points within the next LEED rating systems. The LSC discussed some of the subcategories and brainstormed how to arrange in the overall weightings system. An additional LSC call to discuss the weightings tool will be scheduled for the following week.

**Call ended 3:34. The next LSC call is scheduled for Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 11:00am ET.**