Minutes of the General Meeting of the Slate Roofing Contractors' Association of North America (hereafter abbreviated SRCA)

11 September 2010 ~9:15 A.M. Fair Haven, Vermont USA

The General Meeting of the SRCA was held on the above date at the above time, with the President presiding in the Chair, and all members of the Board present. There were no previous minutes to be read or approved.

The President presented his remarks, including the following guide points for the SRCA in 2010 to:

- strengthen the position of the slate roofing contractor with the owner, the general contractor, and the architect
- help to determine the specifications and standards that define slate and tile roofs in North America
- help to improve training programs for the slate and tile trades in North America
- help to promote slate and tile roofs as not only beautiful, but also an economical, green, and functional roofing option
- develop standards and benchmarks for members and a system to verify these which will assure customers of high quality craftsmanship
- continually seek out new ways to assist members in improving their businesses

The President introduced a motion to form an Advisory Committee to advise the Board. Following discussion, and stipulating that the Advisory Committee would be appointed by and serve solely at the discretion of the Board, the motion was adopted.

The Executive Director presented the results of the Board's discussion concerning the 2010 IFD Congress in Belfast, presented a slideshow of past Congresses and invited interested members to attend along with the Delegates.

Several members suggested sending of an SRCA team to compete in future IFD Congresses. The matter was discussed and tabled for further discussion following the return of the Delegation from the 2010 IFD Congress.

The Secretary/Treasurer introduced a motion to commence writing an SRCA slate roofing system specification, in keeping with the President's earlier remarks and long standing intent of the Board. During the discussion, John Chan mentioned the NSA specifications may be released by the end of 2010 and would be worth examining as part of the SRCA's writing process. Following more discussion, the motion was adopted. Volunteers to work on the specification included the Executive Director (Joe Jenkins), the President (Barry Smith), the Secretary/Treasurer (Chris Paulin), John Mahan, John Chan, Cassel Adamson and Gary Howes.

The President solicited suggestions from members for the possible location of the 2011 SRCA Conference. Suggested locations included Kentucky, Hawaii, New Orleans, eastern Pennsylvania, Virginia and Maine. The matter was tabled for further discussion.

The Meeting adjourned around 10:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Paulin Secretary/Treasurer