

September 2014 President's Message - CSI Santa Clara Valley

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MEETING MUSINGS

Michael Bousfield, Technical Representative of Cascadia Windows and Doors, gave the Chapter a great overview of the new Title 24 requirements related to exterior wall thermal performance at our August meeting. The presentation provided insights into the testing and modeling done to determine effective R-values and how different types of construction impact the overall thermal performance of the building envelope. The evening provided an interesting dialogue around the future of building envelop design and construction. Thank you to Michael for traveling down from Canada to speak with us.

INSTITUTE INFORMATION

As you are likely aware, several Chapter Members will be headed to Baltimore in September for CONSTRUCT 2014 and the CSI Annual Convention. Each CSI member should also have gotten notification regarding a resolution that will be considered at the Annual Meeting during the convention. This resolution has been submitted by the Oklahoma City Chapter and is titled, "Revision to Method of Electing Institute Directors for the Benefit of the Whole." You can read the text of the resolution [here](#). If you have strong feelings on this topic, but are not able to attend the Annual Meeting to make your voice heard, please feel free to share your views with Region and Chapter Leaders.

As of September 1, 2014, the Institute dues will increase to aid in the organization's ability to deliver more value to its members. You can read more about the Institute's plans for the added dues [here](#). The new dues structure is as follows, including the Fiscal Year 2015 changes to the Santa Clara Valley Chapter dues amounts:

Membership Type	Institute Dues	SCV Chapter Dues	Total
Student	\$30	\$23	\$53
Emerging Professional	\$125	\$65	\$190
Professional	\$250	\$65	\$315

UPCOMING WEBINARS

There are a number of upcoming webinars all members should be aware of. For more details on these events look [here](#). Pre-registration is required, but the webinars are free.

Air Barrier Systems: Silicone Solutions to Reduce Building Air Infiltration
August 27, 11am PST

Advances and Applications of Fluid Applied Air Barrier Membranes
September 3, 11am PST

Designing with Durable, Abuse-Resistant Finishes
September 24, 11am PST