

EAST BAY CHAPTER



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Minutes of the April 10, 2007 Meeting
The Englander, San Leandro

Meeting called to order by President Greg Shriver @ 9:05 am

- Self Introductions were made and Greg introduced the program

PROGRAM

Kerwin Lee, Rolf Jensen & Associates

- Kerwin discussed the changes to Chapter 11A, Multifamily Dwelling Accessibility

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Vice President
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www.eastbayicc.org

Mission

"The East Bay Chapter of ICC, with a diverse membership of code officials and industry representatives, is dedicated to promoting a safe built environment through education, code development, and consistent interpretation and application of building codes, standards and policies."

CHAPTER BUSINESS

A. Self Introductions - Done at opening of meeting

B. Minutes:

- The members approved minutes from the February Tri-chapter meeting.

C. Treasurers Report :

- No report

D. Unfinished Business:

- Kevin Powers updated the chapter on the filing of the Chapter bylaws and incorporation papers. All forms have been prepared and signatures received and are ready for submittal.

E. New Business:

- William Schock indicated that he is running for ICC Board Director position and was looking for financial support for campaign from Chapter.
 - Robert Woods asked for feedback on what the benefits to the chapter would be. William gave feedback on how the chapter would benefit from him being an ICC board member.
 - Margret Elliot asked about his budget needs. William indicated \$2,500. Margret thought money would be well spent. Reggie Meigs thought William could use our support.
 - The question came up as to whether this Board position would be the same as that held by John LaTorra. Kevin Powers stated that it would not be.
 - Steve Mitchell conveyed his support for sponsoring William.
 - After additional discussion, a motion was made that the chapter provide \$2,500 for William Schock's campaign towards the ICC Board Director position, to be placed in a special account with CALBO which may be audited by the East Bay Chapter at any time. The motion was seconded by Steve Mitchell. Passed unanimously.

F. Communications: No report

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G. Code Questions/Interpretations:

- Robert Woods asked for feedback on how jurisdictions were enforcing the new pool anti-entrapment device provisions. Terry O'Hara mentioned that the City of Santa Clara excludes reroof, electrical, mechanical, plumbing permits and that they use a self-certification process. Steve Mitchell mentioned that Vacaville and Fairfield require installation of pool anti-entrapment devices for all permits pulled. Additional feedback was provided by others. A general consensus was that there are different enforcement interpretations which depend on each City Attorney's policy.
- Massoud Abolhoda asked whether non-listed lavatory basins were permissible. A general consensus was that listings were not required for basins.
- William Vaughn asked how ICBO ES reports are being handled, vis-à-vis expiration dates, new codes. William Schock mentioned that DSA or OSHPD has come out with an opinion supporting use of expired ES reports. Robert Woods asked for clarification on what has changed between ES Report approval expiration date and now. William Vaughn cited ACI 318 – cracking of concrete and hold capacity. Reggie Meigs opined that each research report needs to be examined, and specific acceptance criteria evaluated, to make a decision on whether or not to accept a particular ES report.
- Massoud Abolhoda asked how many were enforcing galvanized nailing requirements. General consensus was that all were.

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS

A. ICC: John LaTorra

- John was not in attendance, but forwarded an email with the following:
 - Deadline for applications to serve on the ICC code committees is July 2, 2007.
 - For the Tri-chapter Code Committee, John would like to coordinate representation at the ICC Final Action Hearings in Rochester. CALBO has committed up to \$1,000 per Chapter for attendance.
 - The Committee will finalize a report on recommended positions to present at the May Chapter meetings.
 - As a result of help from Chapters during the ICC visit in February, the 2008 code hearings will be in Palm Springs, dates around February 2008 and details to follow.

B. CALBO: William Schock

- William mentioned that Stephen Kiefer is now on the CALBO executive board (Tom Garcia and Dan Kaiser are on the CALBO board).
- William indicated that CALBO is contributing \$1,000 for one individual to go to the Rochester, NY code hearings. He mentioned that the Chapter President needs to communicate to CALBO that the Chapter has a candidate to receive the contribution.
- Discussion opened up on potential Chapter attendee candidates.
- Reggie Meigs motioned that the Chapter President let CALBO know the Chapter has a candidate recipient for the \$1,000 grant from CALBO, for attendance at the code hearings in Rochester, NY in May. Terry O'Hara seconded. Passed unanimously.
- Steve Mitchell motioned that the East Bay Chapter contribute \$1,000 for George Thomas to attend the code hearings to be held in Rochester, NY in May. Terry O'Hara seconded. Passed unanimously.
- William Schock asked whether the Chapter would agree to assist in funding a hospitality suite/caucus at the Rochester code hearings. A Motion was made to provide \$500 for hospitality suite. After discussion, motion was withdrawn.
- Massoud Abolhoda motioned that the \$1,000 funded by CALBO for a chapter attendee go to George Thomas. William Schock seconded. Motion passed.
- Steve Mitchell made a motion that the chapter contribute \$250 for the hospitality suite at the Rochester code hearings. The motion was seconded by Massoud Abolhoda. The motion was amended by Reggie Meigs to \$500. Passed by majority (3 opposed).

C. Education: Terry O'Hara

- Terry O'Hara stated that the Chapter received \$922.78 as its portion of revenue from recent seminars co-sponsored by East Bay, Peninsula, Monterey Chapters; and IAEI.

- Terry distributed flyers for several upcoming Tri-Chapter seminars (to be posted on website)

D. CBSC: Jim Barthman

- Jim Barthman indicated that the Building, Plumbing, Mechanical and Electrical Code proofs have been submitted to the State Agencies for their review. The process is still moving well and the publication and enforcement dates for these codes are likely to be set at the May 16th meeting of the Building Standards Commission.
- The full Commission will meet on the afternoon of the 16th, with committee meetings starting at 9am in the morning.
- Jim reported that a new committee has been appointed by the Commission Chairman. It will deal with green building issues and will be Chaired by Jim. There are a number of Legislative Bills being proposed to mandate green building requirements for new construction. These may be written by other than the normal State Agencies that go through the Building Standards process.
- Jim also mentioned that during the last Building Standards Commission in January, the disabled community cited some very serious concerns relating to the areas of refuge now in the building code. The Fire Marshals Office will review their concerns and see if they can find some alternatives that can help on this issue.

E. IAEI: Jim Barthman

- Jim mentioned there was a meeting by the California Electrical Inspectors (CEI) held in Rohnert Park last month. Feedback he received was that it was well-attended.

F. Special Inspection:

- It was mentioned that James Son from San Jose is leading this group

G. Code Development: Kerwin Lee

- Kerwin reported that Phase 3 code change development in progress (disabled access). Mentioned potential SFD considerations and ANSI hearing discussions.

H. Tri-Chapter Committee:

- Steve Mitchell mentioned that Sheila Lee and Stephan Kiefer had volunteered to co-chair the tri-chapter committee. It was mentioned that one of their goals was zero amendments. There was general discussion about what the goals should be, vis-à-vis zero amendments vs. minimization of amendments vs. consistency in interpretations. Massoud mentioned he would like to have Stephan Kiefer come to the Chapter before acknowledging him for the role.
- It was suggested that George Thomas address the Tri-Chapter position on code changes at the next chapter meeting.

Meeting Adjourned around 11:30 am