

1. **Call to Order**

President Mark Beauchamp called the meeting to order at 8:40 AM.

2. **Roll Call**

<u>Representing</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ken Larsen	Canyon Lake	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pat Kelley	Carlsbad	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Brad Remp	Chula Vista	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gary Fausett	Coronado	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Clay Westling	County of San Diego	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mark Beauchamp	Del Mar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Pavao	El Cajon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dean Davidson	El Centro	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mark Beauchamp	Encinitas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Joe Russo	Escondido	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bob Ghiloni	Imperial Beach	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jessie Wu	La Mesa	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mark Beauchamp	Lemon Grove	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kathleen Trees	National City	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Greg Anderson	Oceanside	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mark Beauchamp	Poway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sasan Nakhshab	San Diego	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Carl Blaisdell	San Marcos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mark Beauchamp	Santee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mark Beauchamp	Solana Beach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mike Kratz	Vista	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Chapter Officers in Attendance

President	Mark Beauchamp	Lemon Grove
Treasurer	Lou El-Khazen	City of Chula Vista

Associate Members and Guests

Art Debolt	City of San Diego
Sam Shaker	Willdan
Michael Puckett	City of Escondido
Jack Gibbard	San Diego Community College
Tom Nikzad	City of Chula Vista
Sasan Nakhshab	City of San Diego
Gina Adams	RCP Block and Brick
Aaron Goodman	Willdan
Russel Ek	Simpson Strong-Tie
Leslie Sabin-Mercado	SDG&E
Jeff Olson	County Assessor
Hamid Irannejad	City of San Diego
Rusty Anderson	County of San Diego

**3. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the previous two meetings are not available. Ali has been occupied with ordinance changes related to the recent fires recommending changes to the City of San Diego's building codes. Next meeting we should have the minutes available to the Chapter.

**4. Treasurer's Report:**

Checking account balance is \$ 5,205.05 and the savings account balance is \$2,592.81. Lou stated that he prepared a report listing last year's income and expense transactions and anyone is welcome to review it. Last year the Chapter generated an income of \$4,071.47 and expensed \$9,039.95. A negative cash flow of \$4,968.48. A one time expense of \$2,970 for the Chapter's website upgrade.

**5. Communications**

a. Chapter President's Report: No report.

b. ICC Report: No report.

c. Legislative Report: No report.

d. CALBO Report: Brad Remp reported the following:

- The interviews for the building official position at the BSC should take place in a week or two. CALBO is recommending three people for the position; William Shock, Sheila Lee and Isam Hasenin.
- CALBO met with the Secretary of State and Commerce and discussed the issues we are facing with the BSC. A short meeting with a lot of background information. CALBO believes he is more understanding than the previous Secretary.
- CALBO received an invitation from the SFM to participate in their code development process and help in the shortcomings of the NFPA 5000 code. CALBO's position is to make sure it understands what the SFM is asking and get it in writing. CALBO does not want to give the impression that it supports the adoption of the NFPA 5000. The message is that it is not too late to turn around and correct the error by going with the IBC. CALBO needs to stay close to the game to find out what is going on and to hold people accountable. CALBO's board will be formulating a response to the SFM requesting that the SFM be more specific on what they are requesting of CALBO. A concern is that NFPA had hired consultants to rewrite the NFPA 5000 code and give it to the State agencies which bring up an issue of what is the intent of these code changes. If NFPA advocates the consensus process, then what is happening is that consultants are writing the CA code in an effort to try and fix all the deficiencies and then release it as though it is just an amendment but has not gone through any of the scrutiny that it would have gone through if it had gone through the IBC or NFPA 5000 consensus process. CALBO needs to hold all of the Agencies responsible for following the proper procedures.
- CALBO ABM March 9 – 12, in Long Beach, Long Beach Hilton. Chapter members are encouraged to send their applications ASAP.
- CALBO is going to focus its attention on a marketing plan for building officials to do two things; promote the image of the BO as an important contributor in the code development process and to continue to strive for the adoption of the IBC in California. CALBO wants people to consider what the BO thinks of issues as they come up and also that the BO is prepared to respond to such issues. On a State level, make sure that there are representatives in each region of the State speaking on behalf of the BO. CALBO will use chapter donations and CALBO reserves to initiate the program.
- AB 224. A bill submitted recently may require class A roofing. It may potentially ban wood roofs, regardless of rating, based on anticipated recommendation from the Governor's Blue Ribbon Committee. Talking to the Committee, they have not made such recommendation. CALBO's concern is that a simple banning on wood roofs regardless of rating could be a long-term problem. CALBO is working with Fire Advisory Committee.
- SB 1025 Disabled Access requirements for Town Homes. CALBO is continuing to monitor.

**6. Old Business:**

The Executive Committee discussed the request from CALBO to donate money to help in their efforts to promote the adoption of the IBC. The Committee felt that is a real opportunity to help CALBO in its efforts and recommends donating \$2000. Put to motion and approved.

**7. Good of the Order/Uniform Code Interpretations:**

- Gina Adams – Two seminars related to Mold. Flyers distributed at meeting. Also on February 10<sup>th</sup>, CSI seminar on subjects related to building construction that can be beneficial to building departments, environmental services or public works. Gina asked if the Chapter and CSI team up and sponsor seminars that could benefit BO and contractors.
- Russel Ek – New Simpson catalogs distributed. Simpson workshop, Tuesday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Participants get credit for continuing education. Contact Russel for information. If not able to send staff, Russel offered to visit jurisdictions and do a workshop Monday through Wednesday in the morning. Simpson-Tie Co. had agreed to assist fire victims that lost their homes up to 100% free materials on a case-by-case basis. Russel discussed the changes in the market place regarding pressure treated wood and their effect on metal/steel hardware; harsh and corrosive. The issue is covered in page five of Simpson's catalog. Fortunately, 95% of pressure treated wood coming to the market is safe, less corrosive than before however, the flipside to that is the new pressure treated wood products are more susceptible to mold and mildew. More information available on Simpson's website, [www.strongtie.com](http://www.strongtie.com). It was suggested that the Chapter contact Rich Geary for a presentation on this subject.
- Jeff Olson – Jeff wanted to take the opportunity to hear from different jurisdictions to facilitate their communication between the Assessor and jurisdictions.
- Sasan Nakhshab – Last week the City of San Diego provided a seminar for the small business community on disabled access issues to educate them on what they need to provide for the disabled. Also a couple of months ago, the City of San Diego started a taskforce on fire resistive construction with the objective of developing details that hopefully will help reduce field problems. Art DeBolt chairs the committee.

**8. Question of the Month**

None

**9. New Business:**

President Beauchamp talked about the Chapter's installation dinner on Friday. He also talked about using the website to get information out to members and possibly posting the minutes and agenda a week before the meeting instead of sending them to the members. It was suggested that minutes are posted as draft until approved by the Chapter.

**10 Committee Reports**

a. Education and Training: Aaron Goodman reported the following:

- Scholarships – Aaron is working on formalizing the application process
- Get together with committee chairs to discuss what the Chapter can do to provide training that will provide CEU credits
- IRC training sometime in April or May. Brad Remp commented that based on projected adoption date of the IRC of 2008, in 2008 we will be adopting the 2000 version, the version the State is currently working on amending. President Beauchamp acknowledged that in previous years Dan Pavao was successful in setting up education seminars and suggested that Dan work with Aaron on setting up seminars.

b. Executive:

- The Committee changed the day of the meeting to the first Friday of the month
- Talked about the budget and ways to increase our treasury
- Possibly adding a membership class for students
- File our new name and revised Bylaws with the Secretary of State

c. Codes:

- The committee did not meet. Sasan asked the Chapter to forward any issues that the Chapter would like the committee to work on. Brad Remp suggested that the committee work on updating the policy manual to reflect current codes. President Beauchamp tasked the committee with the assignment.

d. Electrical: Rusty Anderson reported the following:

- The committee discussed PV systems specifically the requirements of Article 690 on grounding and the interconnection of metallic parts and their grounding. Another issue was recent lighting strikes at east county that affected about 20 systems and the need for lighting rods near the systems. Also the attachment of PV panels to roofs and the need for requiring the manufacturer's installation instructions for the module racks that are attached to the roof.
- New recessed light fixtures that have 1-hr rating with UL approval with specific installation instructions

e. Plumbing/Mechanical: Rusty Anderson reported the following:

- A representative from the Department of Environmental Health (DEH) talked to the Committee about backflow prevention devices at carbonators and what they approve or not approve. DEH basically uses the University of Southern California to help them format the requirements for product approval. The beverage industry has been pushing for the allowance for double check vented device that cannot be tested. Per the Plumbing code, table 6-2, it is not an approved device for a high pollution hazard. The only approved device is the reduced pressure backflow. It is testable and allowed to be of brass under certain installation requirements
- Talked about the Regional Water Quality Control Board not allowing swimming pools and commercially installed fire sprinklers to drain to the street into the storm drains. They have to drain to the sewer system. On swimming pools they may have to install a drain next to the pool. It is allowed to drain onto the yard as long as it can be confined to the yard and not drain to the street.
- Gas system - the ground joint union needs to have a shutoff valve prior to its installation.

f. Technology:

Lou reported that at the next Executive Committee meeting the members will concentrate on issues related to the website regarding assignments and responsibilities.

Brad Remp asked if anyone is aware of State law requiring maintaining paper copy of plans for 10 years even if they are digitized? Chapter members are not aware of such specific requirement and believe that digitized or microfilmed plans meet the intent of the law.

g. Valuation:

Tom Nikzad provided the Executive Committee a draft of the 2003-04 Valuation Schedule for review and comment.

9. **Program**: No Program

12. **Adjournment**

President Beauchamp adjourned the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

MINUTES RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

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Lou El-Khazen  
Chapter Secretary