

**SAN DIEGO AREA CHAPTER ICBO
 MINUTES of February 20, 2001**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Trees at 8:38 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brad Remp	Chula Vista	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gary Fausett	Coronado	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clay Westling	County of San Diego	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clay Westling	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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Richard Esgate	Encinitas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Fagan	Escondido	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bob Ghiloni	Imperial Beach	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jessie Wu	La Mesa	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Richard Esgate	Lemon Grove	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kathleen Trees	National City	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Greg Anderson	Oceanside	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Richard Esgate	Poway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pete Lopez	San Diego	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Carl Blaisdell	San Marcos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Richard Esgate	Santee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Richard Esgate	Solana Beach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mike Kratz	Vista	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Chapter Officers in Attendance

President	Kathleen Trees	National City
Vice-President	Clay Westling	County of San Diego
Secretary	Dan Fagan	City of Escondido
Treasurer	Richard Esgate	City of Poway

Associate Members and Guests

Lou El-Khazen	City of Chula Vista
Ali Fattah	City of San Diego
Susan Murdock	California Construction Association
Gina Adams	RCP Block & Brick
Joe Russo	City of Escondido
Eric Borsting	San Diego BIA
Don Weber	Electro-Test, Inc.
Deborah A. Newell	SDG&E
Sue Gray	City of Chula Vista
Steve Patterson	CALBO
Gordon Murdoch	City of Chula Vista
Mark Beauchamp	City of Lemon Grove
Ray Bizal	NFPA
Russ Chaney	IAPMO
Scott Anders	San Diego Regional Energy Office

David Bridge
Russell Ek
Bill Tuell

Simpson Strong-Tie, Anchor Systems
Simpson Strong-Tie
William Tuell, Architect

3. Approval of Minutes

Approved as amended

4. Treasurer's Report

Richard Esgate reported:	Checking	\$1,215.07
	Savings	\$255.46
	CD	<u>\$15,622.28</u>
	Total	\$17,092.81

5. Communications

a. Chapter President's Report:

- /// President Trees indicated that she had received a letter from CALBO regarding sponsoring a break at the upcoming ABM in Sacramento. Discussion ensued regarding hosting a hospitality suite. Since the next ABM is in San Diego the Executive Committee has decided to host a hospitality suite. Clay has reserved a room and established a preliminary budget.
- /// Motion made and approved to spend up to \$1,000 to sponsor both a break and a hospitality suite.

b. CALBO Report:

- /// Steve Patterson talked about this year's ABM and mentioned the focus on education. Steve reported that CALBO educational activities this year were very successful, with revenues of over a quarter million dollars.
- /// Steve mentioned the educational program speakers for the ABM and indicated that the programs will focus more on specific Building Official issues.
- /// For the first time, the business session will be on Friday morning instead of the afternoon. The afternoon will be a code format; Jon Traw (ICBO), Russ Chaney (IAPMO), and others. This will be an open forum, with a question and answer format.
- /// The CALBO Board participated in a retreat with the ICBO board. One result of the meeting was that now in California certifications will be available for either code. (the 97 UBC or the IBC)
- /// Steve encouraged everyone to get involved in the business sessions. There are 2 changes in the bylaws proposed. One, the fees are going up and two, the proposed establishment of a disciplinary action process regarding board members.
- /// Steve responded to a question from the floor. Where does CALBO stand regarding a certain jurisdiction in California (Pasadena) in the "adopting" of other codes via the alternative methods and materials code provision? Steve indicated that CALBO has numerous questions regarding this issue and is currently not supporting any action until more information is received
- /// Discussion ensued regarding the use of section 104 for this purpose. Using that section for this purpose is something that has not been done in the past. Greg Anderson talked about the typical use of section 104.
- /// Dan Pavao asked if CALBO would be taking the lead in pursuing the adoption of the "I" codes in the next code cycle. Steve responded that CALBO would be pursuing the adoption of a family of codes. Steve indicated that CALBO would also respond to the direction of the membership.
- /// There was discussion about CALBO's relationship history with the state and how it has changed over the years. Discussion also centered on recent appointments to the Building Standards Commission.
- /// Ken Larsen asked about CALBO's strategy for the use of the increased revenues from education activities and the increased dues. Steve indicated that a portion will be held in reserve, and that they are looking at a number of avenues for the remainder which could include more money in

committees, an attorney, a lobbyist and other areas.

c. Legislative Report:

- /// No report
- /// Brad Remp indicated that we should watch AB 47x, regarding energy regulations.

d. ICBO Report:

- /// No report

6. **Old Business:**

- /// None

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

- /// Clay Westling reported that the County has another Sr. Engineer position opening. The County has also been working on the new stormwater regulation for some time. One aspect of this will involve weekly inspections on tracts of 100 units or more.
- /// Pete Lopez mentioned two seminars the City of San Diego is offering and distributed flyers.
- /// Lou El-Khazen asked the Chapter members about the NES reports and whether or not jurisdictions are accepting them. Greg Anderson mentioned the issue of "down the road" with reference to the "I" codes and whether or not we can accept them then. Brad Remp talked about the principle of the "on-going monitoring" that caused the ICBO split from NES and how Chula Vista was prepared to take a strong position on this issue. It was decided to continue this discussion at the next meeting under old business. Chapter members indicated that more information would be obtained before the meeting.
- /// Brad Remp indicated that the City of Chula Vista is going forward with fee revisions that they have been working on for the past year or so. The revisions will be going to the City Council in March. Discussion ensued on the appropriate method of implementation and whether it should be by Ordinance with an effective date of 30 or 60 days or by Resolution with an immediate effective date.
- /// Pat Kelly indicated that the City of Carlsbad currently has an open Code Enforcement position. Pat also offered one of his Building Inspectors to Chair the Plumbing/Mechanical Committee meetings.
- /// Ray Bizal, with NFPA, announced that NFPA will be joining the San Diego Chapter.
- /// Deborah Newell, with SDG&E, indicated that SDG&E would like to assist in getting out the information regarding AB970. General discussion ensued regarding the need for additional training/clarification. The consensus among chapter members was that more training was needed.
- /// Scott Anders, San Diego Regional Energy Office, talked about training on March 28, on photovoltaic systems. The training will be offered in two identical sessions, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Scott mentioned that they will also be doing training for installers.
- /// Eric Borsting, BIA, distributed the annual 2000-2001 BIA fee survey. Brad Remp indicated that Jerry Livingston would like to establish a task force to review the survey and make suggestions to improve the content.
- /// Greg Anderson, City of Oceanside, mentioned a City of San Diego seminar regarding their new standard plan procedures.
- /// Dan Pavao announced that the City of El Cajon is looking for a Plan Check Engineer.
- /// Russell Ek, Simpson Strong-Tie, distributed current product information and information on upcoming seminars at their facility in Brea. Their annual workshop is next month in San Diego. Russell also offered to do in-house updates at each jurisdiction. Russell then introduced David Bridge with Strong Tie. David mentioned the training and two new ICBO reports and reviewed some of the key points.
- /// Kathleen Trees mentioned that the National City Planning Commission had approached her expressing their desire to get involved in finding answers to California's energy crisis.
- /// Ali Fattah mentioned that the next Chapter meeting will be upstairs in the training room.

8. **Question of the Month:**

~~///~~ None

9. **New Business:**

~~///~~ None

10. **Committee Reports**

a. Education and Training

~~///~~ Dan Pavao reported that the Chapter had \$1,527 in revenue from the recent energy training. The committee will be meeting this week to set up training for this year. Dan asked for input on future seminars. Suggestions from the Chapter members included means of egress, disabled access and conventional construction.

b. Executive

~~///~~ KathleenTrees indicated that volunteers are needed for the hospitality suite at the upcoming CALBO ABM in Sacramento. Membership letters will be out soon. The City of San Diego will be doing the mail out, which also includes a memo from Past President Dan Pavao regarding the increase in membership dues.

~~///~~ Kathleen also announced that Thomas Trainor was awarded the Presidential Medal of Honor at a recent International Association of Electrical Inspectors (IAEI) meeting. This medal is presented on an irregular basis to those who are dedicated to helping the IAEI fulfill its mission of promoting electrical safety and education. The chapter members offered Tom congratulations.

c. Codes Committee:

~~///~~ Lou El-Khazen indicated that the Committee is close to finishing up the review of the chapter policies. They will be sending those out for Chapter member review soon.

d. Electrical Committee:

~~///~~ Robert Nagle reported that at their last meeting the committee talked about the state required licensing of electricians. Robert also mentioned that SDG&E has asked that jurisdictions clearly identify "house meters".

e. Plumbing and Mechanical Committee:

~~///~~ None

f. Technology Committee:

~~///~~ Brad Remp mentioned that the "technology matrix" had been distributed to all Building Officials and asked that Chapter members review the matrix, update as necessary and return to him.

g. CALBO ABM:

~~///~~ Clay Westling indicated that the committee had met and started to formulate plans for the ABM that will be in San Diego in 2002. Clay is currently corresponding with CALBO on a number of questions. Clay mentioned the various subcommittees required for the various programs that are the responsibility of the local Chapter; spouses program, golf tournament, etc. He suggested that we invite members of the CALBO Board to our April meeting to talk about ideas for our meeting.

~~///~~ Brad Remp indicated that CALBO has indicated that local Chapters will be having more flexibility in defining their programs for the annual ABMs.

~~///~~ Clay also mentioned that he is working on the preparations for the hospitality suite for the

upcoming ABM in Sacramento.

11. **Program:**

~~///~~ Jon Traw, P.E., President of ICBO

12. **Adjournment**

President Trees adjourned the meeting at 10:54 for the program.

MINUTES RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Dan Fagan
Chapter Secretary