

1. Call to Order

President Mark Beauchamp called the meeting to order at 8:45 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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"/>
Richard Esgate	Poway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ali Fattah	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"/>
Mark Beauchamp	Solana Beach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mike Kratz	Vista	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Chapter Officers in Attendance

President	Mark Beauchamp	City of Lemon Grove
Vice President	Ali Fattah	City of San Diego
Secretary	Lou El-Khazen	City of Chula Vista
Treasurer	Joe Russo	City of Escondido

Associate Members and Guests

Sam Shaker	Willdan
Tom Nikzad	City of Chula Vista
Sasan Nakhshab	City of San Diego
Aaron Goodman	Willdan
Russel Ek	Simpson Strong-Tie
Hamid Irannejad	City of San Diego
Rusty Anderson	County of San Diego
Philip A. Tregs	CA State Licensing Board
Leslie Sabin-Mercado	SDG&E

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the January 20, 2004 meeting were approved with minor corrections. The corrected minutes are posted on the Chapter's website at www.iccsandiego.org.

4. Treasurer's Report:

Checking account balance is \$ 7,073.18 (does not reflect \$2,000.00 check sent to CALBO) and the savings account balance is \$593.11.

5. Communications

a. Chapter President's Report:

- Chapter members approved a request from the LA Basin Chapter to sponsor a break at the CALBO ABM. The cost is \$350.00.
- Letter from ICC. Chapter liaison is changed. Chapter liaison is Fred Herman, Staff liaison is Patti Habel and Laura Scott is Chapter Manager.
- Chapter Leader newsletter from ICC. Talks about chapter news and events.
- Packet from ICC regarding chapters coming together and establishing regional organizations. Brad Remp indicated that a number of chapters communicated their concern to CALBO about having to go through one more layer and there does not seem to be much support. Also the package has flyers talking about continuing education training and customized training for chapters. Brad asked if everyone is comfortable with where ICC is going with the re-certification process as it applies in California. President Beauchamp stated that people have been surprised when they received their notification realizing that they need to satisfy certain number of CEU in order to be able to renew their certificates. President Beauchamp also stated that the Executive Committee with the help of the Education Committee is looking at ways to offer Chapter training that will satisfy these requirements and also offer training to special inspectors. Brad brought up the dilemma facing building officials and that is certifying staff on codes that may not be adopted in California and do not incorporate CA amendments.

b. ICC Report: No report.

c. Legislative Report:

Ali stated that Doug Hoffner no longer works for CALBO. He now works for the Governor's Office in the Department of General Services.

- AB 224. This bill would provide that a common interest development may not require a homeowner to install or repair a roof in a manner that violates prescribed requirements. It would also declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to further restrict the use of wood shake or shingle roofs.
- SB 37. This bill streamlines the process for local jurisdictions to enforce mobile home park regulations. This would allow local agencies that have assumed jurisdiction over enforcement of the MHPA to issue a citation that assesses a prescribed civil penalty for the violation of specified provisions of the act that have continued for at least 14 days after issuance of a notice to correct.

The following bills are signed into law:

- AB 1034. Requires local ordinances to allow the repair or replacement of a dwelling using original materials and methods, provided that the portion of the dwelling that is subject to repair or replacement complies w/ the building code and other State and local standards. Also allows for a shorter than 30 day notice to abate a nuisance or other violation of building standards if deemed necessary by the enforcement agency to prevent or remedy an immediate threat to health and safety of the public or occupants.
- AB 1216. This bill would require the State Fire Marshal to propose fire protection for roofs, exterior walls, structural projections and structural openings. The bill would also define "urban wildland interface community" and provide that the building standards adopted pursuant to the bill also apply to those areas unless otherwise determined by a local agency. Deadline to submit is July 05. Brad Remp stated that the typical tests conducted on rated walls do not apply to wildfire conditions. Tests done on windows resulted in a maximum amount of time of 8 min., most failed in 3 min.
- AB 1400. This bill would require a developer of any new housing development, beginning 90 days after the Department of Community and Housing Development adopts a standard form, but not sooner than July 1, 2004, to provide a buyer a list of specified universal accessibility

features that would make the home entrance, interior routs of travel, kitchen, and bathrooms fully accessible to persons with disabilities. This will impact plan review due to the additional layouts needed to incorporate the accessibility features.

- AB 1731. This bill would revise the definition of qualified historical building or structure to include structures under construction and other places, locations, and sites, identified on historical registers or official inventories.
- SB 262. This bill would require the State Architect to establish and publicize a program for voluntary certification by the state of any person who meets specified criteria as a certified access specialist. Brad Remp stated that there will be a discussion of this topic at the coming CALBO ABM. This bill would authorize the county counsel to also bring those actions if the district attorney does not bring an action. The bill would additionally authorize any of those officials, including the county counsel if the district attorney does not bring an action, to bring a civil action to impose civil penalties on persons who violate prescribed statutes or regulations relating to access to buildings by handicapped persons.
- SB 937. This bill specifies that the determination of whether or not a primary care clinic is in compliance with the minimum construction standards of adequacy and safety would be the "exclusive jurisdiction" of the local building department. Provides that a clinic may establish compliance with minimum construction standards through certification statement from a local architect or a written statement from a local building department.

d. CALBO Report: Brad Remp reported the following:

- Last week CALBO Board discussed the CALBO strategic plan and focused on enhancing the use of the plan to provide direction to the Board and to be used as a vehicle to report progress. The plan is posted on CALBO's website.
- The Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission's fifth meeting will be in Costa Mesa. Brad will be doing a presentation on behalf of CALBO which will focus on the role played by the building official both before the fire and during the rebuilding process.
- CALBO ABM, March 9-12 in Long Beach.
- Now is the time to start thinking about preparing your resolution for the International Building Safety Week which is in April. A model resolution is available on CALBO's website.
- Doug Hoffner has left CALBO to become a Deputy Director for the Dpartment of General Services.
- CALBO had requested an RFP for administrative services that are currently handled by Connolly and Associates. The membership wanted CALBO to actively look at alternatives and make sure that the services CALBO is getting are periodically evaluated by going through a competitive process.
- Brad urged Chapter members to give him ideas for CALBO projects for the next year. As the incoming President, Brad would like to make sure that the San Diego Area Chapter voice is heard. Brad thanked the Chapter for its support over the years.
- President Beauchamp asked about the status of the State Fire Marshal. Brad Remp stated that the State is currently conducting interviews to replace the SFM. Also Brad stated that the three CALBO candidates for the Building Official position with BSC have been interviewed. The results are not out yet.

6. Old Business:

Chapter bylaws final draft. President Beauchamp discussed the changes; name change to ICC, added Associate and Student Member, membership fees (\$50 paying members, \$5 Student Members). Voting members approved the amended bylaws.

7. Good of the Order/Uniform Code Interpretations:

- Russell EK. Russell thanked the jurisdictions for sending staff to the Simpson workshop. The Chapter thanked Russell and Simpson for sponsoring the refreshments at the Chapter's Installation dinner. Russell wanted to know how would the Chapter recognize CEU credits offered as part of training put by Simpson. Simpson had offered CEU credits but it up to the local jurisdictions to decide on how they want to value the CEUs. Brad Remp suggested that the Chapter establishes an umbrella under the Chapter to qualify Chapter or Chapter affiliates

training as acceptable CEU. As a follow up to last month's mtg. regarding pressure treated lumber, Russell stated that Simpson does have a high concern with the ACQ and ACZA products. The "home centers, ie. Home Depot and Lowe's" carry ACQ, which is a high corrosive product where as the specialty lumber suppliers carry a mix of product. Anything greater than 4x lumber is high on ACQ and ACZA. Also fire retardant treated material is highly corrosive. Dan Pavao said that he called wood preserving company and asked about ACQ. They stated that the product had been used for a long time and have not had a problem with it and that they will be contacting Simpson to discuss the issue. Brad Remp asked how can the building official evaluate or reject certain combination of metal and PT material? Russell stated that page five of the Simpson catalog identifies PT products that work best with metal products. The issue is deferred to the Code Committee to evaluate and return with recommendations. Another issue brought up by Russell is field changes to their high capacity all thread systems. In some cases the building inspectors are not requesting that field changes go through the plan change process. Inspectors are not sure how to handle the situation when the changes are identified after the installation of the high capacity system is complete. Russell asked the members for recommendations on how to address this issue. Vice President Fattah stated that the City of SD requires structural observation for the ATC system. Lou El-Khazen suggested that it could be as simple as informing the inspectors the need for following the jurisdiction's plan change process. Also it was suggested that possibly by streamlining the plan change process builders might stop avoiding it. Russell stated that he is ready to give training on the ATS system.

- Aaron Goodman – Aaron met with the Executive Committee to discuss training options. The Education Committee will get involved with small-scale seminars and involve other Chapter Committees and affiliates in providing training. The next step is to work with Chapter committees on developing training programs.
- Rusty Anderson – Rusty handed out "REBUILD A GREENER SAN DIEGO" flyer that talks about a new program for residents who lost their homes in the Oct. 03 firestorm. The program offers financial and technical support to rebuild homes in a highly energy-efficient manner and for the installation of solar electric systems.
- Clay Westling – Clay announced that the County has a new Chief of Building Division, Jeff Murphy. Clay has been busy with the recent fires and rebuilding; about 1950 homes burned in unincorporated areas of the County. So far about 40 that pulled permits. Dealing with issues such as waived fees, zoning requirements, existing non-conforming, allowing rebuilding non-permitted structures with existing non-conforming rights, not allow rebuilding in a floodplain. Big issues the County is dealing with are roadways, access and water supply to homes built a distance away from main roads. Also the County is doing a cooperative plan check with fire districts because the fire districts are overwhelmed. Hired two additional fire marshals. Also 80% of the burned homes had less than 30' clearance. The County now requires 100' but those were existing homes. The County's fire resistive construction includes class A roofing, dual glazed windows, no eave vents facing wildland, boxed eaves or heavy timber and in some cases the fire chief may require sprinklers.
- Ali Fattah – The City of SD now requires class A roofing and banned wood roofs.
- Brad Remp asked if it is best to create a separate permitting system for reconstruction permits or process them through the existing system with special treatment? The response is to stay with the same system but move them ahead of the line.

8. **Question of the Month**

None

9. **New Business:**

- Dan Pavao – The need for current information for CALBO call-out. Brad Remp mentioned that CALBO is generating in conjunction with OES a separate training program specifically for CALBO call-out coordinators.
- Aaron Goodman – Aaron asked how jurisdictions verify the 1 ft candle requirement for emergency lighting. City of SD schedules an early morning or after hr inspection and shuts the power off and visually determines if there is adequate lighting along the exit path. This question will be revisited next month as the "Question of the Month".

10 **Committee Reports**

a. Education and Training:

Aaron Goodman met with the Executive Committee to discuss training options. The Education Committee will get involved with small-scale seminars and involve other Chapter Committees and affiliates in providing training. The next step is to work with Chapter committees on developing training programs.

b. Executive:

President Beauchamp reported the following:

- The Committee changed the day of the meeting to the first Friday of the month
- Payment to CALBO. Check sent.
- Educational Seminars with the Chairman of the Education Committee.
- Discussed the Chapter Roster and mail out of Membership Applications.
- Discussed Chapter website. The Executive Committee will be responsible for the website.
- Invite Dan Pavao to the next meeting to discuss the draft strategic plan

c. Codes: None

d. Electrical:

Rusty Anderson reported the following:

- The Committee had a PowerPoint presentation regarding swimming pool requirements per Article 680. Overview of upcoming changes for inspection
- One manufacturer has UL listing for rain-tight fitting for EMT. The new fitting has a plastic gasket inside.

e. Plumbing/Mechanical:

Rusty Anderson reported that the Committee had a presentation from a manufacturer that has a UPC approved two-piece extendable backwater valves.

f. Technology:

Lou El-Khazen reported that the Executive Committee will be trained on the website content management system so that Committee members can update or add to the site.

g. Valuation:

Tom Nikzad reported that the draft valuation tables have been distributed with the Agenda and is waiting for direction from the Chapter. Brad Remp stated that based on a current ruling on a case, jurisdictions cannot adjust fees by updating valuation tables without council approval and going through a public hearing process. It is suggested that a statement is added to the cover sheet advising jurisdictions that the valuation tables must go through a public hearing process and get adopted by council. Members requested additional time to review the tables and therefore, any action will be postponed till next month.

9. **Program**: No Program

12. **Adjournment**

President Beauchamp adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

MINUTES RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Lou El-Khazen
Chapter Secretary