

**SAN DIEGO AREA CHAPTER ICBO
 MINUTES of December 18, 2001**

1. Call to Order

President Trees called the meeting to order at 8:39 am.

2. Roll Call

<u>Representing</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ken Larsen	Canyon Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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
Rich Geary	Western Wood Products Association
Susan Murdock	California Contractors Association
Gina Adams	RCP Block & Brick
Joe Russo	City of Escondido
Russell Ek	Simpson Strong-Tie Co.
Mark Beauchamp	City of Lemon Grove
Don Weber	Electro-Test, Inc.
Roger Simpson	Sycuan
Sandy Woodhouse	Assessor's Office
Tim Owens	City of San Diego
Robert Nagle	County of San Diego
Philip Trees	Contractors State License Board

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of November 20, 2001 were approved as written.

4. Treasurer's Report

No Report

5. Communications**a. Chapter President's Report:**

~~///~~ None

b. ICBO Report:

~~///~~ None

c. Legislative Report:

~~///~~ Clay Westling noted the status of several bills; AB255 regarding elder abuse (governmental staff may be "reporters" of suspected abuse), AB284 regarding toxic mold, AB549 regarding energy efficiency on existing buildings, ABX248 regarding solar energy training, education and certification.

~~///~~ General discussion ensued on "mold/mildew" complaints received by local jurisdictions.

d. CALBO Report:

~~///~~ Brad Remp thanked Pat Kelly for hosting the regional CALBO Board meeting last week in Carlsbad. Approximately 20 people were in attendance and numerous issues were discussed.

~~///~~ Brad distributed a copy of the State Attorney General's opinion regarding the City of Pasadena's Ordinance No. 6847. The opinion basically states that the ordinance is not consistent with state law and that state law does not allow model building codes other than those adopted in the Code to be deemed by a local jurisdiction as "approved alternate" authority for purposes of approving materials, designs and methods of construction for building constructed in California. General discussion ensued on how this affects our actions on a case-by-case basis.

~~///~~ The CALBO website will soon be upgraded. The target is to do registration for the upcoming ABM via the website.

~~///~~ Brad noted CALBO's review process for the next code adoption cycle and the 5 criteria for the review.

~~///~~ CALBO's Fire Advisory committee is working on issues jointly facing both Building and Fire departments and how we can work together on these issues in the future.

6. Old Business:**a. Report/Discussion: Seismic amendments for the State Code**

~~///~~ Kathleen Trees summarized the discussion from last meeting.

~~///~~ Brad Remp noted that this had come up at a recent CALBO Board meeting. The Board had basic questions on exactly what was being requested. This item has been scheduled for discussion at the CALBO ABM in March.

~~///~~ Lou EL-Khazen asked if the Code committee should get involved in this issue. Brad suggested that we wait until after the ABM, until numerous questions are answered.

~~///~~ Ali Fattah noted that the 1997 Uniform Building Code references older standards and posed the question of using newer standards.

b. Discussion/Approval of revised ICBO Chapter Policy Manual

- ✍ Lou El-Khazen noted that Chapter members have seen all of the policies and either had no individual comments on them or had approved them individually. He also noted that one policy remains (Policy 106.4.1 regarding withholding permit issuance at the request of the designer)
- ✍ With regard to this policy, Lou noted that he had contacted the State Architects Board and that they support the policy the way it was presented to the chapter membership. Motion made and seconded to approve. Policy 106.4.1 was approved.
- ✍ Pat Kelly moved approval of the entire Chapter Policy Manual package and thanked the Code committee for all of their work on this project. The Chapter Policy Manual was approved.

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

- ✍ Russell Ek, Simpson Strong-Tie, noted that he had brought numerous technical materials for the Chapter members.
- ✍ Rich Geary, Western Wood Products Association, commented on the ATC 50 seminar that is coming in the near future. Rich also noted that he has new span table material available. He also questioned the members on the need for a seminar on the new LRFD (low resistance factor design). This method is now being taught in schools, however, it was felt that it is currently not in wide use for wood construction.
- ✍ Gina Adams, RCP Block & Brick, invited everyone to a Keystone seminar on January 24, 2002 at their facility in Lemon Grove. A flyer was distributed. Gina also asked that jurisdictions place copies of the flyer on their counters.
- ✍ Mark Beauchamp, City of Lemon Grove, polled the members regarding requiring a soils report for pool construction. General discussion ensued.
- ✍ Pat Kelly, City of Carlsbad, remarked that we probably wouldn't see stability in the code adoption process for a number of years.
- ✍ Brad Remp, City of Chula Vista, noted the California Building Standards Commission's (CBSC) actions on two packets, accessibility and fire resistive corridors. Brad also had the following comments.
 - The January 30th CBSC meeting will deal with CSST and PEX. Indications are that these products will not be included in the new codes, for the state of California. Depending on what happens at the CBSC, we may be looking at local enforcement of the new codes in 2003.
 - CALBO's position is that these new products should be in the new code.
 - Brad mentioned new information booklets that are available from the State Contractors License Board.
 - Brad noted that a recent ICMA newsletter contained an article on the new NFPA 5000 building code. Brad urged Building Officials to meet with their City Managers.
 - Chula Vista is now looking at filling 13 positions.
 - Brad also noted that NFPA would provide free training and free books for the new 1999 NEC, for state agencies and local jurisdictions.
- ✍ Richard Esgate, City of Poway, asked Brad about the effects of California's code adoption status on the new ISO ratings. ISO has indicated that anyone getting a new rating after January will lose a number of points due to the State not adopting the most current codes.
- ✍ Roger Simpson, Sycuan, asked about the adoption of the new codes and whether or not his organization could adopt the International codes.
- ✍ Ali Fattah, City of San Diego, noted that he had attended a recent CBSC meeting. Ali mentioned that he is working on a draft policy for all-thread hold-down systems and he noted that he would forward a copy to the Code committee.
 - Ali also advised that he February Chapter meeting would be upstairs in the training room.
 - Ali also posed the question of how we train new employees on the 1997 UBC. General discussion ensued. It was suggested that ICBO be contacted.
- ✍ Clay Westling, County of San Diego, talked about a recent experience with a contractor that had forged signatures of the inspector on the inspection record card, had proceeded with construction and had covered up work. The county will be pursuing legal action.
- ✍ Sandy Woodhouse, County Assessor's office, noted that the City of Chula Vista had joined with the City of Carlsbad as another City that is now transmitting electronic data on permits. Sandy noted that she would be contacting other jurisdictions after the first or the year.
- ✍ Philip Trees, Contractors State License Board, mentioned the legislation on elder abuse and related

issues that he is dealing with.

~~///~~ Brad Remp noted that they had reconciled their retaining wall standards between their Building and Engineering departments. General discussion ensued on retaining wall standards.

8. Question of the Month:

~~///~~ None

9. New Business:

a. Election of Officers:

~~///~~ Dan Pavao presented the Nominations Committee recommendations.

- o Clay Westling for President
- o Dan Fagan for Vice President
- o Mark Beauchamp for Secretary
- o Ali Fattah for Treasurer

~~///~~ Chapter members voted unanimous approval on all nominations

b. Lou El-Khazen presented the draft design on the new Chapter website. Initially the focus will be on the CALBO ABM. Additional content will be added in the future. Chapter members expressed approval and thanked Lou for his efforts in the development of our new website.

c. Clay Westling distributed flyers for the Chapter Installation Dinner on January 25, 2002 at the Doubletree Hotel Mission Valley. Clay noted that David Mann, ICBO Board of Directors and our Chapter liaison, would install the officers.

10 Committee Reports

a. Education and Training:

~~///~~ Dan Pavao noted that we had 30 participants in the ATC 20 seminar last week. The seminar should net the Chapter \$2,000 to \$2,500 in revenue.

b. Executive:

~~///~~ Kathleen Trees reminded everyone about the retirement luncheon to be held after the January 15th Chapter meeting. Pete Lopez, City of San Diego, Gordon Murdoch, City of Chula Vista and Tom Trainor, City of San Diego are retiring.

c. Codes:

~~///~~ Report covered under old business and Good of the Order.

d. Electrical:

~~///~~ Robert Nagle indicated that the committee met last week. The draft sign policy has been referred to the Code Committee for structural considerations. Tim Owens noted that Tom Trainor would be retiring in January. On February 16, 2002 there will be a formal retirement dinner. Flyers will be sent out.

e. Plumbing/Mechanical:

~~///~~ None

f. Technology:

/// Brad Remp indicated that the committee had been working on the Chapter website. Brad also noted that various Chapter members would be contacted to assist in gathering information for the website content.

g. CALBO ABM:

/// Clay Westling indicated that the committee is wrapping up the final plans for the ABM. CALBO is getting ready to publish the program.

/// The Tuesday night event will be at the zoo.

/// Golf will be on Monday.

/// The Professional Development Day Program will consist of 4 different tracks. Some of the topics are:

- o Lumber and codes, PV systems, 1999 NEC, Firestopping, special inspection, 2000 UMC/UPC update, Lateral force flow, code of ethics, wildfire, Building Department of the Year panel, roundtable discussions, adopting local code amendments, approving alternate materials and the California codes.

/// Brad Remp noted that a couple of segments have been left open in the 4th track to allow the opportunity for discussion of current events, if needed.

/// The Presidents dinner will be on Wednesday night. The Chapter is responsible for decorations and entertainment. For the entertainment we plan to have Monty the magician. He provided the entertainment at our last installation dinner.

11. Program:

/// **None**

12. Adjournment

President Trees adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

MINUTES RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Dan Fagan
Chapter Secretary