



MEETING MINUTES

DATE: February 19, 2009
TIME: 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Tustin Ranch Golf Course
12442 Tustin Ranch Rd.
Tustin, CA 92782

I. CHAPTER BUSINESS

- A. Hadi Tabatabaee, Chapter President, brought the meeting to order and asked the other board members present to identify themselves. Vice-President David Khorram, Secretary Tony Weimholt, Treasurer Gabriel Linares, and Past President Joe Kirkpatrick were in attendance
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted and a self-introduction by meeting attendees followed.
- C. A motion was made and passed to approve the previous meeting minutes.
- D. Treasurer's Report: Gabriel Linares announced the balance for the Checking at \$12,858.22, and the Savings balance of \$10,120.72.
- E. Unfinished Business – None
- F. New Business – President Tabatabaee announced a Committee call for membership participation, and identified the active committee's and their current chair, as follows: Education Committee, Dan Kennedy; Code Interpretation Committee, Faisal Jurdi; Green Buildings Committee, Roy Fewell; Membership and Public Relations Committee, Soroosh Rahbari; Quality Assurance Committee, Henry Huang; and the 2010 CALBO ABM Committee, David Khorram.

President Tabatabaee reminded the membership that renewals were due and announced that the Board had voted to increase the membership fee to \$70 and chapter meeting fee to \$25 due to increased costs to the chapter.

- G. Communications –
 - Khanh Nguyen announced that the 2008 Golf Tournament proceeds resulted in a check for \$1,910.00 to the Chapter and stated that the Board approved an additional \$90 to bring the total to \$2,000. Khanh asked the membership for a motion to earmark the \$2,000 to be used for the 2009 Scholarship program. The Scholarship program will again be administered by the Public Relations and Membership Committee. A motion and a second were made there being no one objecting the measure was approved.

Khanh also announced that the golf fundraiser this year will be on Thursday, August 13, 2009, at Monarch Beach GC in Dana Point and that more details will be provided at future meetings. He also indicated that the Committee is

working with Trinity Broadcasting Network to get a repeat of the successful event last December.

- David Khorram reported that there was a great turnout at the Chapter Hosted hospitality suite during the CALBO annual meeting with over 120 in attendance. He thanked Hadi Tabatabaee, Gabriel Linares, Dennis Lockhard and Buster Scholl for their efforts to make the event a great success.

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Education Committee – Dan Kennedy was not present, but Gabriel Linares announced the upcoming California Accessibility Training event scheduled for March 9, 2009 in Irvine, by Michael Gibbons. Gabriel also announced that raffle tickets were being offered for a chance to win a BIA/OC seminar “Water is Gold” training for \$5.00 per ticket.
- B. Code Committee – Faisal Jurdi was not present
- C. Public Relations and Membership Committee – Soroosh Rahbari was not present
- D. Green Building Committee – Roy Fewell provided an outline of the committee goals that include establishing consistent and regional interpretations.
- E. Quality Assurance Committee – Henry Huang was not present
- F. CALBO ABM Committee – David Khorram announced that the committee was looking for members to assist with organization of each of the many events anticipated during the CALBO annual meeting. The CALBO board was to meet with the committee in the upcoming month to discuss the 2010 event. Invited members that may be interested in planning events and that they were looking for ideas.

III. ORGANIZATION REPORTS

- A. CALBO – Jay Elbetta, President of CALBO announced that the CALBO meeting was a great success and congratulated David Khorram and the City of Orange for receiving the Building Department of the Year award. Jay announced the new CALBO board members elected at the meeting and that he was moving into the Past-President position on April 1, 2009. Jay also announced a CALBO call for committee membership.

Jay stated that many of the CALBO members expressed displeasure with the CASp program and that CALBO was going to approach DSA to work with the members concerns prior to the 2010 implementation of the regulations.

- B. ICC – ICC rep Kermit Robinson announced that the ICC 700 was approved by ANSI as a standard, and the new Building Code, Fire Code and Residential Code will be published in March. Kermit provided a 5% off coupon for ICC products for items purchased within 5 days of the meeting. He then discussed the ICC’s current Green Building efforts and also talked about changes to the ICC Code Development Process. Stated that the ICC board had divided the codes into two group cycles with each grouping having Code Development and Final Action Hearings and advised the members to refer to the website to read the code adoption cycle changes in detail & for additional information. The first code cycle proposed changes are due by April 24th for the 2012 Code.

IV. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Jon Traw advised that the OEC members visit the ICC website to fully understand the changes that were made in the code development process and by-laws changes. That according to John LaTorra's report, the two group cycles split the code change process so that means of egress and structural would be handled in the first year and the other sections the second year and significantly limit the time allowed for code change submittals.

Jon stated that during the LA Basin Chapter meeting on February 12th the membership voted to send a letter to the ICC board voicing their desire to have ICC members ratify changes prior to taking effect, and that the Orange Empire Chapter may consider taking that same approach.

A motion that the Orange Empire Chapter communicate in writing to the ICC Board expressing opposition to changes to the Code Development process prior to ratification by the membership was made and second was received.

Faddy Mattar commented to clarify that there were only one and one-half months left to submit code changes

After some discussion, and a clarification by Kermit Robinson that per the by-laws, the changes to the Code Development process did not require ratification by the members, the motion was passed with 20 to 2.

V. PROGRAM

David Khorram provided a presentation on the 2008 Energy Standards and the Green Building Standards Code. Identified as Title 24, Part 6 and Part 11. The California Energy Commission adopted the new Residential Compliance Manual on 12-17-08 and the Non-residential Compliance Manual of 1-14-09. The effective date of the 2008 Energy Code will be August 2009. David advised that some of the 2008 Energy Code changes include increased cool roof regulations, lower "U" values for windows, higher HERS credits, and increased indoor air quality. We will see modifications to compliance forms, prescriptive package changes and performance package changes.

The HERS provider organizations approved by the California Energy Commission as certified HERS raters are CHEERS, CAL CERTS, and CBPCA.

On the 2008 Green Building Code for commercial buildings, David advised that Tier 1 requirements on energy are 15% higher. Tier 2 requirements on energy are 30% higher than the 2008 California Energy Code. The Green Building Code requires 50% construction debris recycling, includes mandatory storm water management, preservation for less than 1-acre lots, and use of natural materials available in the area. Additionally, Green Building Standards include the use of site features, environmental quality, more durable roofing products, the use of passive solar design, as well as HERS commissioning and testing by a 3rd party expert.

The drawing for the BIA/OC "Water is Gold" seminar was held and the winner was Brian Lee from the City of Whittier.

Hadi Tabatabaee adjourned the meeting at 2:10 PM, February 19, 2008.

Respectfully submitted:

Tony Weimholt
Chapter Secretary