

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**(Revised May 4, 2006)**

DATE: April 20, 2006

TIME: 11:30 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Embassy Suites  
3100 Frontera, Anaheim  
(91 Fwy-Glassel/Kramer Exit)

I. CHAPTER BUSINESS

1. Pledge of Allegiance: President Khanh Nguyen called the meeting to order and conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Minutes approved by a unanimous vote.
3. Treasurer's Report was given by Hadi Tabatabee, Treasurer. The checking account balance was \$5,500 and the savings account was \$3,429.
4. Unfinished Business- None.
5. New Business  
Khanh Nguyen, President opened a discussion about the Chapter's Reasonable Construction Tolerance Policy. Scott Fazekas, Past President, explained that he had, with the concurrence of the 2005 Board of Directors, requested it's removal from the web site based on a recollection that the Chapter agreed to it's removal due to an agreement with the State's Attorney General. Jay Elbettar stated he believed it should not have been removed and felt that it better served the Chapter by being available on the web site. Jim Martin recalled it should have been removed several years ago. Jon Traw felt it was better strategically as a tool used by building officials as a consensus document when untainted by documented opposition by the A.G. The discussion was tabled pending discussion with Buster Scholl who chaired the committee that wrote the document and who spoke directly with the A.G.
6. Communications-
  - Khanh Nguyen announced that the June 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting will be at Dave & Buster's in the Irvine Spectrum. It will be a joint meeting with APA.
  - Khanh announced that the July 20<sup>th</sup> meeting will be a joint LA Basin meeting at which Isam Hasenin will be the speaker on the Building Standards Commission.
  - Khanh announced that the lunch fees will be raised to \$20 starting at the May

meeting. The Chapter has been subsidizing the lunches up until now.

-Khanh encouraged everyone to participate in Building Safety Week and that a media kit with a sample proclamation, press release, public service announcement DVD, pamphlets, etc, is available through [iccsafe.org](http://iccsafe.org). ICC Building and Safety Week begins May 7. CALBO is also assisting jurisdictions with Building and Safety Week, see [CALBO.org](http://CALBO.org) for details.

-Two cards were passed around for Ron Mincer who has been ill and is in the VA Hospital. After the meeting Chuck Daleo delivered the cards and found Ron to be in good spirits.

## II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

-Education Committee report was given by David Khorram, Chairman. He reported good results on the April Electrical/T-24 program. He also reported that Robert Keefe would be doing a Multi-Family Disabled Access seminar in May.

## III. ORGANIZATION REPORTS

-Khanh congratulated Jay Elbettar on his recent appointment as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of CALBO. Khanh also thanked Jay for presenting the Building Department of the Year award to the Mayor of Costa Mesa at the last Council Meeting on behalf of CALBO.

-Calbo's Report was given by Jay Elbettar, Newly Elected Executive Board Member.

1. Jay announced that he had presented Khanh Nguyen and the Costa Mesa City Council with the Calbo Building Department of the Year Award.
2. Patterson/Wheeler is the new Calbo Administrator. The firm consists of Bonnie Patterson and Matt Wheeler who are still assisted by Eilene Connerly.
3. The same phone number applies but the address was new effective 4-1-06.
4. Calbo Building Safety Week is May 7<sup>th</sup>.
5. Sample press releases, posters and proclamations will be sent to building departments.
6. The UMC/CMC adoption was postponed by the Building Standards Commission.
7. The next Calbo Board Meeting will be in Sacramento in May.
8. Calbo is taking a position in favor of PEX.

-ICC's Report- According to Jon Traw, Dennis McCreary will no longer be able to attend Chapter Meetings.

2. GOOD OF THE ORDER

-There are audits occurring on Cities for Water Quality Control Compliance. Everyone should be aware that they want to see a log of training which staff have attended. It was recommended that the Stormwater Coordinator should attend upcoming general County meetings.

3. PROGRAM

-Victor Thies with American Homeland Solutions gave the presentation. He is retired from the Irvine Police Department and began working for AHS three years ago. He does emergency response training and program development for municipalities. He can be reached at (714)940-6370 or [vthies@americanhomelandsolutions.com](mailto:vthies@americanhomelandsolutions.com).

4. MEETING ADJOURNED

-At wrap up, Khanh expressed thanks to the excellent continued accommodations by Embassy Suites.

-Jon Traw told the status on Brent Snyder's health and said he had the address for anyone who would like to send a card.

-A motion was made, seconded and approved to send flowers to Gail Mincer since Ron couldn't receive any in the hospital.

-The announcement was made that Don Clarke passed away two weeks ago. Calbo sent flowers.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Kirkpatrick  
Chapter Secretary