



MINUTES

MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

JANUARY 22, 2008

8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Los Angeles County Building  
900 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra  
Alhambra Room



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1.0 **CALL TO ORDER.** The meeting was called to order by President Craig Johnson at approximately 9:00 a.m.

2.0 **ROLL CALL BOARD MEMBERS.** President Craig Johnson introduces new board members present. New board members gave a brief introduction about themselves.

Board Member, Title	Jurisdiction	Present	Absent
Craig Johnson, President	Culver City	Y	
Roy Itani, Vice President	LA County	Y	
George Chavez, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Beverly Hills	Y	
Neville Pereira, Treasurer	Glendale	Y	
Truong Huynh, Secretary	Long Beach	Y	

3.0 **SELF-INTRODUCTIONS.** Self-introduction of approximately over 40 members and guests in attendance commenced.

4.0 **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES.** President Craig Johnson requested the general membership to review and approve the December 15, 2007 meeting minutes.

- **Motion** Stuart Tom/Steve Ikkanda to approve the meeting minutes.
- **Motion** passed unanimously.

5.0 **COMMUNICATIONS.**

5.1 **Vice President Roy Itani.** Free one day seminar titled "Total Fire Symposium" to be held at the LA County Building in Alhambra on Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> and Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

5.2 **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President George Chavez.** Discussed nomination of Fady Mattar to represent the Chapter at the ICC Governance Ad Hoc Committee. Mr. Mattar was not in attendance.

5.3 Treasurer Neville Pereira. It was reported that the previous balance as approximately \$7,000. The current balance, thanks to the training DVD by



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Stuart, is now approximately \$18,400. A reminder was made regarding the collection of membership dues for 2008. Neville request the membership present to approve the breakfast expenditures for today’s meeting.

- **Motion** Stuart Tom/Steve Ikkanda to approve expenditure for breakfast.
- **Motion** passed unanimously.

5.4 **Secretary Truong Huynh.** Reminded members present to update their current contact information. An email will be distributed to the members requesting this information.

5.5 **Steve Ikkanda.** Steve reported to the membership about the state code hearing held on Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>. SFM has many amendments related to “L” occupancy. Questions were raised as to why “L” occupancy would be used if it could easily be called a “B” (i.e., old “H” occupancy). Several state agencies and UC schools support the proposed amendments. The outcome was that all the SFM amendments were accepted.

6.0 **COMMITTEE REPORT.** None given.

7.0 **CALBO AND ICC REPORT.** None given.

8.0 **EXISTING BUSINESS.** None.

9.0 **NEW BUSINESS.**

9.1 **Establishment of Committees.** With the creation of 5 committees, the board asked the general membership to participate and support the committees. The committees will initially be requested to develop and update correction sheets; then subsequently develop joint interpretation and information bulletin through a consensus process with the general membership. Each board member will sit on one of the 5 committees. Committee list was distributed and volunteers were requested. The board recognizes that everyone is busy, but joint effort and involvement by many members will help the chapter achieve this ambitious and worthwhile goal.

Stuart Tom offered his jurisdiction’s assistance on the correction sheet, in particular Chapter 10. He further indicated the importance of understanding and comprehending Chapter 5, 7, 9 and 10, without which enforcement of the code will be difficult.

9.2 **Code Hearing.** Several discussions surfaced on the code development process and the chapter’s future involvement. There was a concern among some of the membership that the chapter must be more involved at the early stages of code development if we are to effectively have our concerns heard regarding various code items. Suggestion was made to sponsor 2 members to attend the code hearing. President Craig Johnson asked for a motion to approve expenditure for 2 persons for a min. of 2 days, but no longer than 4 days. Those interested should contact the board.



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- **Motion** Craig Johnson/Steve Ikkanda to approve expenditure for 2 persons to attend the code hearing.
- **Motion** passed unanimously.

9.3 **Website Update.** The board is considering an outside vendor to update the website and make it more functional. Currently, there is no one person designated or hired to maintain the website. The chapter's website will receive a new URL to appropriately reflect the change in the chapter's name (from ICBO to ICC). The new URL will be [www.icclabc.org](http://www.icclabc.org). The existing URL [www.icbolabc.org](http://www.icbolabc.org) will remain and at some point in time be phased out.

Suggestion on improving the website ranged from posting job availability listing, salary survey, giving members access to manually update their information, all new documents developed by the chapter will be in electronic format and accessible only by members, PDF documents for all non-members, online training tools or presentation (with emphasis towards inspection personnel due to their inability to attend these type of meetings), etc.

9.4 **LARUCP Logo.** The secretary raised a general question to the membership regarding the continued use of the LARUCP logo. The question was whether there is still any value to having the logo instead of just simply using the Chapter's current logo. It has the same meaning. The LARUCP Logo was created in the late 90's as part a joint effort to create uniform interpretation and handouts. The consensus among the membership is to keep the logo. It's a symbol that most jurisdictions and other professional organization recognizes; and it does not hurt to keep it going if people still identify with it.

9.5 **Survey of the general membership.** The membership was broken up into 3 groups (small, medium, and large jurisdiction) to discuss the needs of the membership and to survey what the chapter has done well or can do better in the future. The board members intend to use the responses from the survey to assist in planning the direction and establishing the goals for the chapter.

10.0 **PROGRAM.** None given.

11.0 **ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING TIME AND LOCATION.** Next regular monthly business meeting tentatively scheduled for February 14, 2008 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the LA County Building in Alhambra will be postponed due to on-going code hearing in Palm Springs. Next regular meeting date schedule in March will be determined.

12.0 **ANNOUNCEMENTS.** Code hearing for the 2009 IBC will be held in Palm Springs this February. The board recommends that each member should attend if available and represent both their jurisdiction and the chapter. Those planning to attend should notify the board to assist in coordinating the various members that will be participating.

13.0 **ADJOURNMENT.** Meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:00 a.m.