

Virginia Building Code Officials Association

Region V Meeting Minutes

Date: September 17, 2009

Call to Order: Sean Farrell, Chair- called the meeting to order

Quorum: Quorum Present as the following jurisdictions were represented:

* Town of Dumfries	* City of Falls Church
* City of Alexandria	* Fairfax County
* Arlington County	* Prince William County
* Loudoun County	* City of Manassas
* City of Fairfax	

Introduction of Guests: Chairman Sean Farrell welcomed new guests to the meeting.

Minutes Presentation: Gregg Fields, Secretary – distributed July 09 meeting minutes. The minutes were corrected. There was a motion from the floor to approve and waive the reading of minutes as corrected. Motion was approved to accept the minutes as corrected.

Treasurer Report: Linda Frye, Treasurer
\$4,846.22 in Checking
\$10,446.30 in Savings
A motion was approved to accept Treasurers report.

Region Chair Reports: Sean Farrell, Chair –

A review of this year's achievements was presented to the membership in attendance. Sean said a thank you to all of the committee's, leaders, and members for all of the efforts this year. This past year was one of the best for Region 5 and much was accomplished. The total training revenue approached \$24,900, our expenses were approximately \$10,000, leaving a balance of approximately \$14,900. We donated \$13,000 to the state organization and provided \$5,000 in VBCOA scholarships. Accomplishments include: training 334 members and professionals, 26 hours of continuing education, four code update training classes, three wall brace training classes, joint training efforts with VPMIA, NVBIA, and IAEL. We have several members who sit for or chair ICC and VBCOA committees, conducted food drives, participated in the SERVE project, and were awarded Region of the Year two years in a row. The state organization budget now includes line items based on the Strategic Plan. Sean also express his appreciation to serve as the Region Chair for the last two years and stated to the membership "Job well done for meeting our goals.

Committee Reports:

- **Awards and Resolution:** Murli Dhage – There were 18 scholarship applications being considered for the ICC meeting in Baltimore. Mike Cliff and Frank E Woeste (Virginia Tech) were nominated for the Meritorious Service Award. Chuck Bajnai and Brian Foley were nominated for the Public Service Award.
- **Building Code:** Guy Tomberlin on behalf of Ray Pylant – committee discussed several future code changes.
- **Fire Safety:** Keith Johnson- no report.
- **Structural:** Bill Ertumen – no report
- **Means of Egress:** Carolyn Majowka – no report
- **Residential:** John Orrison – Ellis McKinney (State Committee Chair)- met August 28 in Charlottesville. The Fire Sprinkler issue was deferred, however there is support for a code requirement to install them. Ellis encouraged folks to contact him if you have an interest the IRC committee work.
- **Education:** Audrey Clark and Syndee Grace – committee discussed the development of fully automated online training. Continuing to look for low cost or free facilities to host future training and training topics. It should hold at least 100 people. Please contact Audrey if you have a facility available. Reminder of the SERVE shelter and food bank project in December, most likely the third Thursday. We need a maximum of twenty volunteers. Future classes will include Accessibility Type A and B units. Reminder: the website has all training topics / classes from the last two years up through the end of 2009.
- **Energy Conservation:** Guy Tomberlin – we need to begin thinking about someone to cover this committee both at the region and state level if Guy is elected to the ICC board of directors. This is a very important committee position as we see a larger national movement towards energy conservation. This committee may also be moving from an Ad hoc committee to a standing committee in the future.

- **Legislation: Ellis McKinney** – state code development process is beginning a new cycle. A peer review process has been suggested to ensure good, solid, code change proposals are submitted.
- **Plumbing/Mechanical: Bob Adkins** - there were nine proposed code changes that they are working on. Three involving carbon monoxide detectors. Residential Sprinkler change status appears to be a 50/50 split with no compromise in site. Shariar is going to try and have the board member take a position in order to move it forward. Grey water use code change was also discussed. Guy recommended that a committee be proposed to handle the Energy Code issues.
- **Membership: Jay Patton- Linda Frye** - we gained two new members joined since last meeting.
- **Nominations:** Guy Tomberlin- the region election was held at the meeting. Officers for the coming year are: Syndee Grace Chair, Gregg Fields Vice Chair, Linda Frye Treasurer and Ellis McKinney Secretary.
- **Property Maintenance: Sean Farrell** – A Rental Housing subcommittee is also being developed at the state level. This committee will focus on jurisdictions who are looking to adopt such a program. The committee submitted code changes to the USBC and three changes to the IPMC. Next meeting is Sept. 18 in Harrisonburg.
- **Public Information: Juanita Toriello/ Patrick Nnaji** – no report –
- **Small Jurisdictions (State Adhoc)- Gregg Fields**– the state board of directors will be presented with the mutual aid agreement at the next meeting. There was a suggestion that the committee be moved to a standing committee. However there doesn't appear to be support for that and it will remain an ad hoc for now.
- **Time and Place: Sean Farrell** – (repeated) the annual conference will be held Sept. 26-29 in Norfolk. The 2010 conference will be held April 24-26 (with the meeting on the 26th) at the Doubletree in Charlottesville.

Unfinished Business:

- The winners of the scholarship to all VBCOA events next year are Eric Rice Johnson and Jim Bateman.
- Ten scholarships were awarded for the ICC hearings and annual meeting in Baltimore. All who submitted applications were awarded scholarships.
- We are sponsoring a Habitat for Humanity project in our Region. Jay Patton and Syndee Grace volunteered to research and select the project that will receive the fire sprinkler system.

New Business

- (Repeated) ICC is proposing a an article change to not allow more than two board representatives per region. They are trying to implement a new voting structure in order to allow for those who receive the most votes in consecutive order.
- Sean Farrell was recognized for his leadership and many contributions to VBCOA. Thank you Sean.

Announcements/Dates of Events: ; Property Maintenance Committee meeting September 18 in Harrisonburg; VHC Housing and environmental standards meeting Sept 25 in Richmond; VBCOA Conference September 27-29 in Norfolk; ICC Annual meeting and hearings Oct 24 – Nov 11.; 2006 Code Update Class November 17 & 18.

Motion was made, seconded and accepted to adjourn the meeting.