

Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council
February 21st, 2024
8181 Independence Blvd
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806
Meeting Minutes

The Chair welcomed all present and **called the meeting to order at 10:08 AM**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Chair, Mr. Roy Young, requested a roll call of the members which reflected the following:

Members Present: Mr. B. Byrd; Ms. T. Byrd; Ms. Dadakis; Mr. Visser; Mr. Campbell; Mr. Causey; Mr. Giron, Mr. Heier; Mr. Masterson; Mr. McShan; Mr. Parnell; Mr. Young; Mr. Rinchuso; Mr. Laughlin

Members Absent: Mr. Keenan Glover; Mr. Matt Wood, Mr. Dennis Miller; Mr. Butch Browning; Ms. Jamie Peers; Mr. Rodney Wallis

Excused absence: Mr. Keenan Glover; Mr. Matt Wood, Mr. Dennis Miller; Mr. Butch Browning; Ms. Jamie Peers; Mr. Rodney Wallis

A total of 14 members present, 6 members absent constitute a Quorum.

The Chair, Mr. Roy Young, opened the meeting welcoming everyone.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Review and Adoption of the Minutes from the January 10th, 2024, meeting.

A **motion was made** by Mr. Bobby Byrd to accept the minutes from the January 10th, 2024 meeting as written. Mr. Billy McShan **seconded the motion**. There were no objections to the motion and **the minutes were accepted as presented**.

2. Next LSUCCC Meeting TBA.

The March meeting date will be determined at a later date. At this time, there are no discussion items for an agenda unless the Technical Chair has any items to be brought forth to the Council.

3. Technical Code Study and Advisory Committee Report (Jackie Dadakis)

Ms. Dadakis updated the council on the first meeting of the Fortified Task Force. The next meeting of the Task Force is scheduled for March 5th 1:00 PM via Zoom. Mr. Joiner will be sending out the emails with the Zoom link and it will be posted on the LSUCCC Site.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review and discussion of Technical Codes Study and Advisory Committee report on plumbing requirements for handwashing in educational cafeterias. (Jackie Dadakis)

The Chair, Mr. Young, asked Ms. Dadakis to please update the council on the proposed amendment concerning the need to provide handwashing areas for students to wash their hands prior to entering a cafeteria, located in an educational facility. Ms. Dadakis noted that this was previously in the code but at some point was dropped out of the IPC and now there has been a request by LDH to add it back into the code due to health concerns. The amendment included amending Table 403.1 in the IPC.

Mr. Joiner read the proposed amendment that Mr. Charles Visser, a member of the LSUCCC Technical Committee, had proposed and the Technical Committee approved to be moved to the council for consideration. Mr. Joiner stated he would need assistance from ICC to amend the table because the formatting is difficult to change. ICC will amend the table with the footnote and then send it back in the correct format. This amendment would only apply to New Construction or a substantial renovation that would require the building to be brought up to the most current code. This would also only be for K-12th schools.

A motion was made by Mr. Jake Causey to have Mr. Mark Joiner draft the amendment to update Table 403.1 of the IPC concerning handwashing sinks in educational facilities that was proposed by the Technical Committee. **The motion was seconded** by Mr. Chuck Visser. There was no other discussion, nor objections to the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

2. Comments from LSUCCC Chairman concerning roof permitting and inspections.

The Chair, Mr. Young, requested Mr. Joiner inform the council of issues surrounding roof permitting and inspections. Chapter 1 is strictly left up to the locals and permitting falls under Chapter 1. There was a discussion between the members of the council, along with input from building officials, architects and engineers in attendance. Right now if a homeowner were to put on a new roof just for replacement, many jurisdictions do not require the roofing company to pull a permit to install, nor are there inspections being conducted. There is an issue with some of these roofs not properly being installed to code and therefore homeowners are left with roofing issues, leaks and damage to the home.

The Wind Loss Mitigation Form from LDI, registrations of Wind Mitigation Surveyors by the LSUCCC, and Fortified Roof discounts from insurance companies were also discussed. It was discussed whether a third party inspection report would help the building officials with verification that a roof has been properly installed.

3. Comments from LSUCCC Chairman and LSUCCC Administrator.

Mr. Joiner stated that there was a question about the new required emergency disconnects on single family/one-two family dwellings. It was never the intent of the NEC Committee, the Code Council or the NFPA that if only the meter base or the riser was torn down, that a new emergency disconnect and a new meter base would be required to be installed. The intent was just to replace the riser and the meter base, not to have to bring it up to the current code requirements. This has been address in the 2023 NEC as an exception.

Mr. Joiner requested that at the next meeting the Council take the 2023 NEC verbiage and do an amendment to correct this situation. This will end the confusion.

The approval was just received for the purchase of the 2021 IECC Energy Code books.

Mr. Joiner noted that the committee selection process for the new code review would be starting March/April of 2025, with the formal review starting May of 2025.

With no other items on the agenda or discussion, **a motion was made** by Mr. Bobby Byrd to adjourn. Mr. Jake Causey **seconded the motion**. The meeting adjourned at 12:15 PM.

END OF MINUTES