Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council June 10th, 2025 LSLBC, 600 North St. Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802 Meeting Minutes

The Chair welcomed all present and called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Chair, Mr. Roy Young welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mr. Roy spoke about the change of venue and asked that everyone please make sure that the audience raise their hands to be recognized. Mr. Roy, the Chair, thanked everyone from the public in attendance.

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

Members Present: Mr. Keenan Glover, Ms. Tresa Byrd; Mr. Charles Visser; Ms. Jackie Dadakis; Mr. Marty Campbell; Mr. Carlos Giron; Mr. Trent Clark; Ms Keri Dewhirst; Mr. Scott Masterson; Mr. Eric Parnell; Mr. Billy McShan; Mr. Gerald Rinchuso; Mr. Rodney Wallis; Mr. Roy Young (Chair)

Members Absent: Mr. Bobby Byrd; Mr. Jake Causey; Mr. Matt Wood; Mr. Dennis Miller, Ms. Juliette Cassagne (Pending); Ms. Jamie Peers

Excused absence: Mr. Bobby Byrd; Mr. Jake Causey; Mr. Matt Wood; Mr. Dennis Miller, Ms. Juliette Cassagne (Pending); Ms. Jamie Peers

A total of 14 members present, 6 members absent - 1 pending senate confirmation constitutes a Quorum.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Review and Adoption of the Minutes from the March 11th, 2025, meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Rodney Wallis to accept the minutes from the March 11th, 2025, meeting as written. Ms. Tresa Byrd seconded the motion. There were no objections to the motion and the minutes were accepted as presented.

2. Next LSUCCC Meeting TBA.

The Chair, Mr. Roy Young, announced the next scheduled LSUCCC meeting would be held on July 8th, 2025.

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

Ms. Dadakis, The Chair of the Technical Code Study and Advisory Committee, announced new classes for the ICC 2021 IECC Essentials during July. Ms. Dadakis also announced that the ICC Louisiana Codes are now live. She thanked ICC for assisting with this process.

4. Legislative Advisory Committee Report (Jackie Dadakis)

Ms. Dadakis, The Chair of the Legislative Advisory Committee, informed the council members and the public of the outcome of several legislative bills. SB 228 has been sent to the Governor for signature. That legislation will move the LSUCCC under the LSLBC as of August 1, 2025. Ms. Dadakis thanked the LSLBC for providing a new home, and thanked the OSFM for being the code council's home for many years.

Rep. Gadberry's bill HB 85, on permitting requirements for re-roofing, has passed both the House and Senate. It will move to the Governor's desk for his signature with an effective date of August 1, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Introduction of new appointed members to the LSUCCC. (Roy Young)

Ms. Keri Dewhirst, with State Farm, introduced herself. Mr. Trent Clark, COO Mallett Building, introduced himself.

2) Special presentation of appreciation and service awards to 8 years of service LSUCCC members as of 12/31/2024. (Roy Young, Billy McShan-BOAL Board Member)

Ms. Tramone Chette, BOAL President, presented plaques to Ms. Jackie Dadakis and Mr. Marty Campbell. The Chair, Mr. Young, thanked both individuals for all their hard work over the years. Mr. Jake Causey also achieved his 8-year status by the end of December 2024, but was unable to attend to receive his plaque.

3) Introduce Mr. Brad Hassert, Executive Director LSLBC, and discussion of LSUCCC move to the LSLBC effective 8/1/2025 (Roy Young, Brad Hassert)

The Chair, Mr. Young, stated this agenda item is being moved to the end of the meeting.

4) Discussion concerning LSUCCC registrations. (Roy Young, James Edwards)

Assist Chief James Edwards, LSUCCC Administrator, reminded everyone in attendance that it is important that those who are required to be registered under the LSUCCC to do so.

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5) Discussion on Code Review Committee Applications (Roy Young, Jackie Dadakis)

There has been a request to re-open and extend the application period for the 2024 I-Codes and 2023 NEC. The new deadline date requested is July 15th, 2025. Ms. Dadakis, The Technical Chair, asked for more applicants from the industry.

A **motion was made** by Mr. Rodney Wallis to reopen the application period for the 2024 I-Code and 2023 NEC Code Review with an extend deadline to July 15th 2025. Mr. Marty Campbell seconded the motion. The floor was open for discussion. There were no objections to the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Assistant Chief Edwards, The Administrator, asked for suggestions on how to reach more applicants from all geographical areas in the state. Ms. Dadakis, The Technical Chair, reminded everyone that the Review Committees meet virtually.

6) Comments from LSUCCC Chairman and LSUCCC Administrator.

Mr. Young, The Chair, final comments where concerning the changes moving forward for the LSUCCC.

Mr. Young, The Chair, asked if there were any comments from any of the council members. There was no comments.

Mr. Young, The Chair, asked if there were any comments from the public. There was no comments from the public.

Mr. Young, The Chair, turned the floor over to Mr. Brad Hassert, Executive Director of the LSLBC. Mr. Hassert requested that the Chair provide a public comment period for anyone that had any particular comments. Mr. Roy, The Chair, opened the floor back up for Public Comment.

Mr. Asa Triche, Mr. Elliot Grand and Mr. Bryan Tumulty, representing the largest remodeling organization in south Louisiana, came forward to speak to the code council members. The specific concerns were related to residential remodeling work only. Ms. Dadakis, Technical Chair, explained the duties of the code council and that the code council does not have jurisdiction over Chapter 1, The Administrative Chapter. Many of the concerns expressed were pertaining to permitting requirements that are the responsibility of the local building and permit offices.

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LSUCCC Member, Mr. Eric Parnell and LSUCCC Member, Mr. Scott Masterson spoke concerning the permitting concerns. Mr. Patrick Odom, with LDI, spoke concerning the Fortified Roof Program. LSUCCC Member, Mr. Charles Visser also encouraged the group to get involved with the free classes on the codes as well as the code review process.

Dr. Carol Friedland, Director of La House Research and Education Center at LSU Ag Center, spoke to the code council members during the public comment period. She spoke on the research provided on the cost of wind and flood risk in Louisiana. For more information on the Natural Disaster Reduction Initiative see: lsuagcenter.com/sites/dri

Mr. Roy, The Chair, turned the floor over to Mr. Brad Hassert, Executive Director of LSLBC. Mr. Hassert introduced his staff. Mr. Hassert asked if there were questions that he may need to answer. There were no questions from the code council members.

7) Adjourn

With no other items on the agenda or discussion, **made a motion** Mr. Rodney Wallis to adjourn. Mr. Scott Masterson **seconded the motion**. The meeting adjourned 10:59 am.

END OF MINUTES