

**Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council (LSUCCC)**  
**September 15, 2009**  
**10:00AM**  
**7979 Independence Blvd., Room 308**  
**Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806**  
**Meeting Minutes**

The Chair welcomed all present and **called the meeting to order at 10:00AM**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Chair requested a roll call of the members which reflected the following:

Members Present: Mr. Barry; Mr. Bourgeois; Mr. Gadberry; Mr. Gil; Mr. J. Henderson; Mr. Holden; Mr. Kothe; Mr. Lucky; Mr. Landry; Ms. McKinney; Mr. Metcalf; Ms. Mire; Mr. Noel; Mr. Sandage; Mr. Trosclair.

Members Absent: Mr. Bessette; Mr. Boudreaux; Mr. M. Henderson; Ms. Weems.

Excused absence: Mr. Bessette; Mr. Boudreaux; Mr. M. Henderson; Ms. Weems.

14 members present and 4 members absent constitute a Quorum.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Gil to adopt the minutes, as revised, from the August 11, 2009, LSUCCC meeting and received a second from Mr. Holden. The chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 14 yes and 4 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Noel to conduct the next LSUCCC meeting in Lafourche parish on October 13, 2009, at 10:00AM and received a second from Mr. Metcalf. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 14 yes and 4 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair opened the floor for a report from Karen McKinney, Chair of the Technical Code Study and Advisory Committee. Ms. McKinney began with the next technical committee meeting to meet at 9am, October 13, in Lafourche Parish. The sub-committees for the review of the 2009 I-codes have begun to meet, with the IBC committee is scheduled to meet 9am on October 6, and the first Tuesday of each month following. The Fuel Gas committee is meeting September 15 following the regular meeting, and the IRC committee is scheduled to meet 9am on October 8, in Baton Rouge. The Chair attended the IRC committee meeting and found the discussions to be productive. Also Ms. Weems has set up a blog for the IEBC review committee, and then will present information to the committee and this Council. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for a report from the Administrative Advisory Committee. The committee is still exploring the possibility of the FEMA grant funds to aid in the statewide portal system. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for a report from Ray Kothe, Chair of the Code Enforcement Advisory committee. Mr. Kothe began with the informational meeting August 27, 2009 to discuss several complaints submitted against jurisdictions and third party providers in the Lafourche Parish area.

Several letters have been sent as a result of that meeting, as part of the informal complaint process. The next step in the process will come after the responses have been received. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for a review and discussion of the GOHSEP award revisions submitted by the City of Covington, and Jefferson Parish. A **motion** was made by Mr. Landry to approve the revisions to the GOHSEP grant line items submitted by the City of Covington and received a second from Mr. Trosclair. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 14 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

The Council reviewed the information submitted by Jefferson Parish for the revision of their GOHSEP line items. After some discussion the Council decided the information provided was not sufficient to approve the request and more information was needed. A **motion** was made by Mr. Lucky to table the Jefferson Parish GOHSEP revision until further information could be obtained, the motion received a second from Mr. Kothe. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 14 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

The Chair opened the floor for the GOHSEP grant update. Mr. Metcalf asked for information regarding the extension requested from FEMA to extend the deadline further. The Chair stated that official notification from FEMA concerning the requested extension had not been received. The Chair also stated that GOHSEP will no longer issue the reimbursement because of the cooperative endeavor agreement between GOHSEP and Department of Public Safety, the money will now flow through the DPS. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for requested amendments to the 2008 NEC by the Capital Region Builders Association. Mr. Roy Domingue, Capital Region Builders Association, of Baton Rouge addressed the Council and expressed appreciation for the work of the Council, and went on to ask that the Council consider organizing a committee to review the NEC code changes. Ms. McKinney asked that the CRBA forward the requested amendments to the administrator so that amendments can be considered by the Technical Code committee. The comment was made that the Technical committee did reach out to professional organizations during the original review and adoption process, and concerns were raised about the continued need to review codes once the process of adoption has begun. Mr. Schexnayder did point out to the Council that the rule for the adoption of the 2008 NEC would be final on September 20, 2009, the time for public hearing and comment had passed, if the Council wants to consider and amendment it would need to be separate from the rule promulgated. The Council agreed to accept the information and consider the next course of action at the October meeting. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for the IBTS training report from Mr. Mutty. Mr. Mutty commented that the registration numbers were encouraging, however the actual participation was low because of the number of registrations who did not attend. He said that IBTS will be prepared to give a final report at the October meeting. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for a permitting software demonstration by South Central planning and Development Commission. Mr. Wich of SCPDC introduced Ryan Hutchinson to present a demonstration of permitting software developed and used by SCPDC. The Council had some questions for Mr. Hutchinson about the software's capabilities and adaptability. **No action required.**

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The Chair presented the Council with a letter of resignation from Mr. Scott Sandage, which will be forwarded to Louisiana Boards and Commissions.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Trosclair to adjourn and received a second from Mr. Landry, with no action required the meeting was adjourned at 11:34 a.m..

END OF MINUTES