

Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council (LSUCCC)
November 10, 2009
10:00AM
8181 Independence Blvd.
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806
Meeting Minutes

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Members Present: Mr. Barry; Mr. Bessette; Mr. Boudreaux; Mr. Bourgeois; Mr. Byrd; Mr. Courouleau; Mr. Gadberry; Mr. Gil; Mr. J. Henderson; Mr. Kothe; Ms. McKinney; Mr. Metcalf; Mr. Noel; Mr. Trosclair; Ms. Weems.

Members Absent: Mr. M. Henderson; Mr. Holden; Mr. Lucky; Ms. Mire.

Excused absence: Mr. M. Henderson; Mr. Lucky.

15 members present and 4 members absent constitute a Quorum.

The Chair welcomed new members, Bobby Byrd, Manager of Sales for Roy O Martin Lumber Management of Woodworth, LA; and Al Courouleau, Building Official, City of Covington, and current BOAL president from Ponchatoula, the to council.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Gil to adopt the minutes, from the October 13, 2009 LSUCCC meeting and received a second from Mr. Bourgeois. The chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 4 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

A **motion** was made by Mr. Gadberry to conduct the next LSUCCC meeting in New Orleans on December 8, 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 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

The Chair opened the floor for a Technical Codes Study and Advisory committee report from Ms. McKinney. Ms. McKinney noted that the committee had not met, since the previous code council meeting, and that the next Technical Committee meeting is scheduled for January 12, 9 a.m. prior to the regularly schedule January LSUCCC meeting. She also noted the I-code review sub-committees are still reviewing their respective codes. A **motion** was made by Mr. Trosclair to amend the 2008 NEC with regards to the garage door opener requirement for a GFI, thereby eliminating the need to have a GFI in ceiling outlets and received a second from Mr. Kothe. There was some discussion of why the Council should reconsider changing the requirement. Mr. Trosclair explained that after some consideration that it was determined that the ceiling outlets did not pose as great a risk as the GFCI required at ground level and therefore he does support the proposed amendment. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

Mr. Bourgeois noted as a part of the Technical Code Study Committee review that Mr. Joiner is working with NEMA to compile a list of all the areas that would require an arc fault, GFI and tamper resistant outlets, that would hopefully be ready for the end of the year and ready to distribute to building code officials. There was some discussion on the specifics requirements in habitable attic space. **No action required.**

The Chair called for the I-code subcommittee chairs to give a brief update of the reviews and next meeting dates. The subcommittee chairs gave a brief update of the review of the 2009 I-codes and the dates of the next review meetings.

Mr. Bourgeois, chair of the IRC review committee, stated they have reviewed the code through chapter 8, and the next meeting date has not been determined.

Mr. Boudreaux chair of the IMC committee, stated they have reviewed the code through chapter 5, and the next meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2009, and subsequently December 15, 2009. With a special note that the committee is also reviewing the LA State Supplement to the IMC as well as the IMC. There was some discussion on the possibility of having to consider the effects of proposed legislation concerning requirements in the 2006 IECC, as it pertains to the current review of the 2009 I-codes. It was decided that it would not effect the current review process and could be considered at a later date.

Ms. Weems chair of the IEBC committee, stated that they have reviewed through the entire body of the code. They do not have a specific meeting date scheduled and are considering coordinating the December meeting to coincide with IBC committee to discuss overlaps in the two codes. The IEBC committee has requested of the administrator invite the New Jersey Organization that authored a historic building sub-code.

Mr. Gil chair of the IFGC committee, stated the committee has completed review of the IFGC and he will be presenting his report to the Technical Code Study committee. There are no further meetings scheduled at this time.

Mr. Charlet a member of the IBC committee, stated that they have completed through chapter 9, and the next meeting is tentatively scheduled for December 1, 2009, at which time they will review chapter 10. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for an Administrative Advisory Committee report from Ms. Weems. Ms. Weems began with an update on the statewide portal system which is still in progress, and they are still looking at different funding sources. The committee will likely meet in the month of January to allow for further research on the issue. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for a Code Enforcement Advisory Committee report from Mr. Kothe. Mr. Kothe stated that the committee had not met since the previous code council meeting. There is a committee meeting scheduled for November 19, 2009, 9 a.m. in the Office of the State Fire Marshal to continue with the informal hearing process with regards to complaints received. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for the review and discussion of the GOHSEP grant award revisions for Iberville Parish. A **motion** was made by Mr. Gil to accept the requested revisions to the GOHESP grant line items for Iberville Parish and received a second from Mr. Gadberry. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair opened the floor for the review and discussion of the GOHSEP grant award revisions for St Bernard Parish, tabled from the previous meeting. The staff had contacted St. Bernard and cleared up the discrepancies in the vehicle line item to fall within the guidelines. A **motion** was made by Mr. Metcalf to accept the requested revisions to the GOHESP grant line items for St Bernard Parish and received a second from Mr. Gil. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair opened the floor for a review and discussion of the request for an extension of the GOHSEP grant deadline. The Council has not received an official notification of the extension and will update the public as soon as we have that information. **No action required**.

The Chair opened the floor for a report on the Senate and House commerce Committee meetings of the comparison of the LA State Plumbing code and the International Plumbing code, the chair attended both of those meetings. The primary discussion was whether to proceed with the passed resolutions. The Department of Health and Hospitals did mention that they are forming a committee to update the state plumbing code. **No action required**.

The Chair opened the floor for a review and discussion of the local jurisdiction requirements for Third Party Providers. There was discussion on the authority of the LSUCCC and the authority of an authority having jurisdiction as it pertains to the registration requirements and insurance requirements of third party providers in the state. A **motion** was made by Mr. Kothe to send a letter of clarification on the registration and insurance requirements of Third Party Providers imposed by the Council to jurisdictions and third party providers and received a second from Mr. Gadberry. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair opened the floor for a presentation of software systems, presented by Mr. woody Jackson of Praeses. There was a brief presentation followed by questions. **No action required**.

The Chair opened the floor for a review and discussion of requiring International Accreditation Services for Third Party Providers in modular home plants. There was information presented by Bhola Dume, Building Official for the City of New Orleans and Mark Roberts of the ICC. After discussion a **motion** was made by Mr. Noel to send a letter to the code officials in the state regarding modular home inspection requirements and for the AHJ to report to the Council on the issues they are facing in their own jurisdictions and received a second from Mr. Kothe. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

With no other items on the agenda, and no motion to accept other business. A **motion** was made by Mr. Bourgeois to adjourn and with no objection the meeting was adjourned at 12:43 p.m..

END OF MINUTES