

Plumbing Transition Commission
May 5th, 2015
1:30 PM
7979 Independence Blvd, Rm 301
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806
Meeting Minutes

The Chair welcomed all present and **called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Members Present: S. Maher; M. Wich, C. Benjamin; R. Kothe;
T. Smith; T. Crawford; Mr. Barker; Mr. Arnold

Members Absent:

Notice of Absence:

8 members present and 0 members absent constitute a Quorum.

The Chair opened the floor for discussion of the next couple of meetings – times, location, and dates

The May 27th, 2015 meeting will be at the Office of State Fire Marshal at 1:30 p.m., the meeting on June 9th will be at the Office of State Fire Marshal at 1:30 pm.

Mr. Barker requested the floor. The Chair opened the floor for Mr. Barker. Mr. Barker requested an explanation on a reason why the previous meeting was not started at the time in which the commission had a quorum. Mr. Maher spoke to this question with the statement that he was running late and requested a courtesy be extended to him by the commission members that he be present when the meeting started. Mr. Maher explained that this courtesy had been extended in the past to other members and he requested the same courtesy. Legal Counsel was requested to address Mr. Barker's request of his opinion of Roberts Rules of Order. Mr. Crouch stated that he represents the Commission as a whole, not the individuals and if there was a motion presented to the commission, voted on, and passed then he would render a legal opinion of Mr. Barker's concern.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Barker to request a legal opinion on the responsibility and duty of the Vice-Chairman to act in absence of the chair when a quorum is present. The **motion was seconded** by Mr. Arnold. The Chair opened the floor for discussion, there was no discussion. The Chair requested a roll call vote of the members present. The vote reflect 4 Yes, 4 No, **the motion was moved to the LSUCCC for consideration.**

The Chair opened the floor for Mr. Wich to answer Mr. Barker's concerns on why he did not start the meeting at the time that Mr. Barker asked to start the meeting. The Commission members continued discussion on the concerns of the start time of the previous meeting.

Mr. Barker stated that he wanted to make a motion to reorganize the Vice Chair position. Mr. Barker then stated that if the Commission would not agree to establish some rules then he could not continue. Mr. Joiner requested that the record reflected that Mr. Barker left the meeting and that there was still a quorum of 7 members at 1:45 p.m.

At 1:46 Mr. Arnold and Mr. Smith excused themselves from the PTC meeting. Mr. Wich requested that the record reflect that Mr. Maher, Mr. Kothe, Ms. Benjamin, Mr. Crawford, and Mr. Wich stayed in attendance.

As of 1:46 Mr. Joiner informed Mr. Maher that the PTC had lost the quorum. The Chair called the meeting due to the loss of the quorum and the three members leaving the meeting.

END OF MINUTES