

Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council (LSUCCC)
May 8, 2012, 10:00AM
8181 Independence Boulevard
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806
Meeting Minutes

The Chair welcomed all present and **called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Members Present: Mr. J Barry; Mr. W. Barry; Mr. Boudreaux; Mr. Byrd; Mr. Courouleau; Mr. Gadberry; Mr. Gil; Mr. Herbert; Mr. Hoffman; Mr. Holden; Ms. McKinney; Mr. Metcalf; Mr. Price; Mr. Thibodeaux.

Members Absent: Mr. Brown; Mr. J. Henderson; Mr. M. Henderson; Ms. Mire; Mr. Trosclair.

Excused absence: Mr. Brown; Ms. Mire; Mr. Trosclair.

12 members present and 7 members absent constitute a Quorum.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Byrd to adopt the minutes from the April 10, 2012 LSUCCC meeting and received a second from Mr. Thibodeaux. The chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 12 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

A **motion** was made by Mr. Courouleau to conduct the next LSUCCC meeting in Baton Rouge on June 12, 2012, at 10:00AM and received a second from Mr. Byrd. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 12 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 began by stating the previous meeting was held April 10, 2012 following the regular council meeting. They began organizing the 2012 International Codes review subcommittees and passed out the code books. Check with the individual chairs of the subcommittees for meeting times and there is still space available during the first two meetings to add people. Also discussed at the meeting was the special locking requirements in the 2009 International Building Code. A **motion** was made by Ms. McKinney to promulgate a rule to amend section 1008.1.4.4 Accesses-controlled Egress Doors of the 2009 International Building Code to reflect the requested amendments and received a second from Mr. Metcalf. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 12 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

The Chair opened the floor for an Administrative Advisory Committee report from Mr. Brown. Mr. Brown was not present however Mr. Joiner noted there had been no meeting held in the previous month, **no action needed.**

The Chair opened the floor for a Code Enforcement Advisory Committee report from Mr. Gil. Mr. Gil was not present however Mr. Joiner noted there had been no meeting held in the previous month, **no action needed.**

The Chair opened the floor for review and discussion regarding ICC Certified Building Code Official certificates. Mr. Joiner asked the Council to consider adding CBCO to the qualifications for the position of Building Official under LAC Title 55, Part VI, Chapter 7 of the UCC Rules. The legal and management, and technical portion of the CBO are required for this certification which meets the requirements for building official under the current legislation and rules. A **motion** was made by Mr. Metcalf to promulgate a rule to include Certified Building Code Official, Certified Electrical Code Official, Certified Mechanical Code Official and Certified Plumbing Code Official to Chapter 7 of the UCC rules under qualifications for Building Official and received a second from Mr. Barry. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 12 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair opened the floor for a discussion of proposed changes to the LSUCCC By-laws. Mr. Joiner asked that the Council review the current by-laws and consider amending to allow for some flexibility in scheduling meeting based on the number of agenda items. This may cut down on the need to meet in the slowest months of the year, when it may be difficult to obtain a quorum. After some discussion it was decided that the members will each be provided a copy of the by-laws and return in June with suggestions for amendments. A **motion** was made by Mr. Hoffman to return this item in June agenda, at which time the members can present ideas for amendments to the by-laws and received a second from Mr. Courouleau. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 12 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair opened the floor for a review and discussion regarding GOHSEP grant expenditure amendments for the Rapides Area Planning Commission, and East Feliciana Parish. Ms. Marcase stated that these request came from the jurisdictions that are currently in the audit phase for reimbursement. The request fall within the allowable expenditure guidelines, further she requested that Rapides Area Planning Commission be allowed reimbursement for building materials used to build the office furniture requested under the original line items approved. A **motion** was made by Mr. Gil to approve the expenditure amendments for Rapides Area Planning Commission and received a second from Ms. McKinney. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 12 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Gil to approve the GOHSEP expenditure amendments for East Feliciana Parish and received a second from Mr. Courouleau. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 12 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair opened the floor for a Legislative update for 2012 Regular Legislative Session. The chair stated that there were no bills currently active in the legislature that would affect the LA State Uniform Construction Code Council. **No action required**.

The Chair opened the floor for the review and discussion regarding GOHSEP grant extension for Cities of New Orleans, Harahan and Lafourche Parish. Mr. Joiner stated the jurisdictions listed requested an extension of time from the Office of the Undersecretary due to extenuating circumstances. The extension of time will be allowed should the code council approve the extension. Additionally there were some request for expenditure amendments that all fall within the allowable expenditure guidelines.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Gil to allow the extension and the expenditure amendments for the City of New Orleans, City of Harahan and Lafourche Parish and received a second from Mr. Courouveau. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 12 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**

The Chair opened the floor for announcement regarding staffing changes. Mr. Gadberry presented Marta Marcuse with a plaque of appreciation for her years of service to the LA State Construction Code Council and wished her well in her new endeavors. A **motion** was made by Mr. Boudreaux to request from the Office of the Undersecretary an update on the remaining GOHSEP grant funds to account for money set aside for administrative personnel and received a second from Mr. Holden. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 12 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. Barry to adjourn and with no objection the meeting was adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

END OF MINUTES