

**Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council (LSUCCC)**  
**February 14, 2012, 10:00AM**  
**8181 Independence Boulevard**  
**Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806**  
**Meeting Minutes**

The Chair welcomed all present and **called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.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. Brown; Mr. Courouleau; Mr. Gadberry; Mr. Gil; Mr. Hebert; Mr. Holden; Ms. McKinney; Mr. Metcalf; Mr. Price; Mr. Thibodeaux; Mr. Trosclair.

Members Absent: Mr. Byrd; Mr. J. Henderson; Mr. M. Henderson; Mr. Hoffman; Ms. Mire.

Excused absence: Mr. Byrd; Mr. J. Henderson; Mr. M. Henderson; Mr. Hoffman; Ms. Mire.

Early Departures: Mr. Holden.

14 members present and 5 members absent constitute a Quorum.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Gil to adopt the minutes from the January 10, 2012 LSUCCC meeting and received a second from Ms. McKinney. The chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 14 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, at the Office of the State Fire Marshal on March 13, 2012, 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 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 with the seismic review committee findings, the conclusions being a request that the council amend the 2009 International Building Code to include the ASCE 7-10 seismic maps in lieu of the ASCE 7-5 maps that are currently adopted in the 2009 International Building Code. A **motion** was made by Ms. McKinney to promulgate an emergency and regular rule to amend the 2009 International Building Code to include the ASCE 7-10 seismic maps in lieu of the ASCE 7-5 maps and received a second from Mr. Gil. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 14 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

Ms. McKinney continued with the 2011 National Electrical Code review committee report. The committee has recommended the adoption of the 2011 NEC with one amendment regarding 555.3 ground fault protection. A **motion** was made by Ms. McKinney to promulgate a rule to adopt the 2011 National Electrical Code with the proposed amendment effective January 1, 2013 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.**

Ms. McKinney continued with her report by stating that the review committee chairs have been assigned. The IBC and IEBC will be combined and the committee chair will be Jerry Hebert. The IMC and IFCG will be combined and chaired by Mike Metcalf. The IRC committee will be chaired by Phil Hoffman. Ms. McKinney requested that anyone requesting to be on a review committee attend the April 10, 2012, technical committee meeting to obtain detailed information on the organization and schedule of these meetings. The technical committee received information regarding IBC 1008.1.4.4 and 1008.1.9.6 through 1008.1.9.8 and that information will be forwarded to the IBC review sub-committee. Lastly, for information purposes only the committee received information that there is a new Southern Pine Inspection supplement that goes into effect in June. This concludes the report, **no other action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for an Administrative Advisory Committee report from Mr. Brown. Mr. Brown stated a meeting was held this morning and the committee reviewed items for the response to House Resolution 53 of the 2011 Regular Session. Beginning with the first item to adopt the International Plumbing Code and place the authority under the LA State Uniform Construction Code Council. A **motion** was made by Ms. McKinney to adopt the International Plumbing Code and place the authority under the LA State Uniform Construction Code Council and received a second from Mr. Brown. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 10 yes and 3 no, and the **motion was adopted**

Second item discussed was to review and adopt the codes a minimum of six years. A **motion** was made by Ms. McKinney to review and adopt the International Codes a minimum of every six years and received a second from Mr. Gil. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 14 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

Third item discussed was to create an evaluation program for code enforcement offices which may assist in the lowering of insurance premiums in Louisiana. A **motion** was made by Mr. Metcalf to not to accept item number three to create a rating system for code enforcement offices and received a second from Mr. Boudreaux. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 14 yes and 0 no, and the **motion failed.**

Forth item discussed was to adopt the mechanical chapter of the International Residential Code. A **motion** was made by Ms. McKinney to adopt the mechanical chapter of the International Residential Code and received a second from Mr. Gil. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 14 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

Fifth item discussed was to adopt the electrical chapter of the International Residential Code. A **motion** was made by Ms. McKinney to adopt the electrical chapter of the International Residential Code and received a second from Mr. Brown. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 11 yes and 1 no, Mr. Thibodeaux out of the room, and the **motion was adopted.**

Continued under administrative advisory report was the discussion of a request a change to RS 40:1730.35 D, to include the language "initial employment as determined by the council" thus allowing

the council to define initial employment through the rulemaking process. A **motion** was made by Mr. Brown to request the change to the legislation to allow the council to further define initial employment

LSUCCC Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2012

Page 3 of 3

and received a second from Mr. Courouleau. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 13 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

Last item under the committee report was the consideration of allowing the council to have cease and desist authority under legislation. A **motion** was made by Mr. Brown to request that cease and desist language be included in the current legislation and received a second from Ms. McKinney. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 13 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

The Chair opened the floor for a Code Enforcement Advisory Committee report from William Gil. The committee received a brief update on the Delvin Portier appeal, and discussed a clarification of the term “initial employment” covered in the previous committee report, **no action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for a review and discussion of the Louisiana State Plumbing Code update. The Chair made mention during the previous discussion under the administrative advisory committee report that the Department of Health and Hospitals through the LA State Plumbing Board are currently reviewing for an update the LA State Plumbing Code, **no action required.**

With no other items on the agenda, and no motion to accept other business, a **motion** was made by Mr. Price to adjourn and with no objection the meeting was adjourned at 2:40p.m..

END OF MINUTES