



WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF BUILDING OFFICIALS

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MINUTES – 2021 Winter Committee Meeting

Zoom Conferencing

February 4, 2021

Call to Order

The winter committee meeting of the voting representatives was called to order by President Kurt Aldworth on February 4, 2021 at 9:05 a.m.

Roll Call

The following executive board officers were present:

Kurt Aldworth	-	President
Lee Kranz	-	1st Vice President
Andy Higgins	-	2 nd Vice President

The following executive board officers were absent:

C. Ray Allshouse	-	Immediate Past President
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The following executive board directors were present:

Brian Smith	-	Certification & Registration
Tim Woodard	-	Government Relations
Angela Haupt	-	Finance
Todd Blevins	-	Education
Stacy Criswell	-	Outreach Services
James Tumelson	-	Accreditation
Tom Phillips	-	Past President
Trace Justice	-	Past President
Gary Schenk	-	Past President

The following executive board directors were absent:

Micah Chappell	-	Technical Code Development
Ray Cockerham	-	Emergency Management

The following management personnel were present:

Tara Jenkins	-	Executive Director
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Introductions

Registration list on file at WABO office.

Agenda

The President presented the proposed Agenda for the February 4, 2021, Winter Committee Meeting.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded that the agenda as modified be approved.
The motion carried.

Minutes

The President presented the proposed Minutes for the WABO Fall Business Meeting on October 1, 2020.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded that the Minutes be approved as presented.
The motion carried.

Message from the Board

President Kurt Aldworth reported on the WABO Petition that was submitted to Governor Inslee's office regarding the SBCC emergency ruling to extend the 2018 codes to July 1, 2021. Kurt informed the membership that the WABO Board acted to protect the integrity of the code development process. A few jurisdictions were upset, specifically Pierce County, and the Board will issue them a response.

Business meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

C & R Committee Update

Brian Smith reported the Mass Timber endorsement is completed and available through the Special Inspection program. Special Inspection Agencies are already submitting applications and one individual has already successfully passed the written exam.

Legislative Overview

Tim Woodard and Amy Brackenbury went over WABO's 2021 Legislative talking points and discussed current legislation. The focus was on HB 1150, SB 5243, SB 5380, HB 1436 and HB 1147. Amy explained the 'virtual' meetings that were scheduled and what our volunteers can expect. Members were encouraged to identify themselves as members of WABO but you are representing yourself (or your jurisdiction if you have approval). David Swasey asked to receive talking points at least a month in advance and Tim explained how that is not possible with the schedule and how fast bills drop.

Open Forum

Hoyt Jeter suggested members offer themselves as a resource to legislative representatives and provide them with your contact information.

Andy Higgins reported that it is okay to represent WABO if you are specifically addressing the WABO talking points and then as an individual on other issues.

Tom Phillips encouraged members to reach out to their representatives as a resource on code issues. Email them your contact information so they can save on their computer, and follow-up with them after your meeting has concluded.

David Spencer provided an ICC update regarding the testimony the Board heard on the IECC and code development process vs the standard process. The Board will meet on March 3rd to discuss the issue. The concern with the standard process is the makeup of the committee. The

Board is taking this very seriously and are requesting feedback from members in support and in opposition. Dave Spencer reported that ICC has been reincorporated to Delaware and the updated bylaws are available on ICC's website.

Tara Jenkins provided an update on the Spring Quarterly meeting that was scheduled to be held in Leavenworth, WA on April 22-23, 2021 has been converted to a virtual meeting.

Tara Jenkins provided an updated on the 2021 Annual Education Institute and informed members that early bird pricing will end on February 12, 2021.

Marc Schoenberg announced the Western Washington Chapter of ICC is looking to hold classes and would like input from the membership regarding jurisdictional needs.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.