



WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF BUILDING OFFICIALS

“Leading the way to excellence in building and life safety”

MINUTES – 2019 Annual Business Meeting

Blaine, Washington

July 18-19, 2019

Call to Order

The annual business meeting of the voting representatives was called to order by President Ray Allshouse on July 18, 2019 at 8:05 a.m.

Roll Call

The following executive board officers were present:

C. Ray Allshouse	-	President
Kurt Aldworth	-	1st Vice President
Lee Kranz	-	2 nd Vice President
Tom Phillips	-	Immediate Past President

The following executive board directors were present:

Brian Smith	-	Certification & Registration
Micah Chappell	-	Technical Code Development
Tim Woodard	-	Government Relations
Todd Blevins	-	Outreach Services
Ray Cockerham	-	Emergency Management
Andy Higgins	-	Accreditation
Jon Siu	-	Past President
Trace Justice	-	Past President
Gary Schenk	-	Past President

The following executive board directors were absent:

Angela Haupt	-	Finance
Rick Prosser	-	Education

The following management personnel were present:

Tara Jenkins	-	Executive Director
Troy Jenkins	-	Jenkins Management Solutions, LLC

Introductions

The active member voting representatives, associate members and guests introduced themselves. (Registration list on file at WABO office).

Agenda

The President presented the proposed Agenda for the July 18-19, 2019, Annual Business Meeting.

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

Minutes

The President presented the proposed Minutes for the WABO Spring Business Meeting on April 25-26, 2019.

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

President's Report

President Ray Allshouse highlighted the outreach effort of Micah Chappell to include the eastside of the state in the technical code development process. Ray also highlighted Tim Woodard in the government relations work that was accomplished and is continuing to be accomplished.

Executive Board Report

President Allshouse provided updates from the last Executive Board Meeting that was held May 17, 2019.

First Vice President

Nothing to report.

Second Vice President

Lee Kranz provided an update on the WA Custom Codes and informed the membership that ICC will be starting with the 2018 International Fire Code. The anticipated release date is March 2020. Lee announced that Senate Bill 5795 passed regarding contractor bonding and a work group will be established to consider additional safeguards for consumer protections. Gary Schenk and Lee Kranz will be participating in the work group.

Immediate Past President

Tom Phillips announced that he retired from the City of Kirkland in June and had to quit all government employment for a period of 30 days. Tom stated that he has been the building official for the Town of Woodway for 32 years and hopes to regain his position after the 30 day period has lapsed. He is volunteering his services for the nominating committee.

Nominating Committee

Tom Phillips announced the WABO Board of Director elections will be held in the afternoon and all positions have received nominations.

The current candidates for the WABO Board of Directors are as follows:

Officers:

C. Ray Allshouse	-	President
Kurt Aldworth	-	1st Vice President
Lee Kranz	-	2 nd Vice President

Committee Chairs:

Micah Chappell	-	Technical Code Development
Brian Smith	-	Certification & Registration
Todd Blevins	-	Education
Tim Woodard	-	Government Relations
Stacy Criswell	-	Outreach Services
Clint Atteberry	-	Outreach Services
Ray Cockerham	-	Emergency Management
Angela Haupt	-	Finance
Andy Higgins	-	Accreditation

Tom explained being an Officer or Committee Chair is very rewarding. You can help WABO grow and expand benefits to our membership.

Executive Director

Tara Jenkins announced the meeting logistics to the membership. Members were reminded to review the budget that is included in the meeting packet. Tara announced that the Code Official Accreditation will start the Permit Technician Track September 2019.

Meeting recessed for committee meetings at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Election of WABO Board of Directors:

Tom Phillips announced the current candidates and asked if there were any other nominations for the Board of Directors.

He called for unanimous consent for the Officers.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded that the officers be approved.

The motion carried.

He then asked for unanimous consent on the other uncontested committee chair races.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded that the uncontested committee chair races be approved.

The motion carried.

Ballots for Outreach Services chair were distributed, and members voted. Stacy Criswell is the Outreach Services chair.

GUEST REPORTS:

International Code Council

Kraig Stevenson announced upcoming ICC deadline:

- Code of Honor Scholarship – August 9, 2019.

Kraig provided a legislative overview of:

- HB1486/SB5756 concerning delegation of inspection duties for factory built housing and commercial structures.
- HB1402/SB5587 Authorizing product certification agencies to certify building products and methods of construction, design, and systems as an alternate code compliance for modern technical methods, devices, and improvements.

Kraig provided information on the IWUIC and WA state mapping and Building Department Accreditation through ICC.

ICC Region II

Gary Schenk, chair of the Awards and Nomination Committee, announced Region II won the ICC Region Spotlight Award. Gary stated Region II is a leader in the country and are doing a lot with the military.

IABO

Gary Schenk reported that IABO will not have as much money for scholarships to attend the ICC Public Comment Hearings and are currently looking for potential sponsors. Gary announced the IABO website has a position report that has recommendations for voting on proposed code changes and public comments.

WPLBO

Gary Schenk announced the candidate forum will be held August 22-23, 2019 in SeaTac, WA. WPLBO candidate's forum currently has 7 interviews scheduled.

OBOA

OBOA President Ted Zuk from Jackson County OR extended an offer to WABO to rebuild the relationship the two organizations previously had. Ted stressed the importance of the Pacific NW to have a unified block at the International code hearings.

WABO/SEAW

Lee Kranz announced the WABO/SEAW committee will be updating several existing white papers. Lee requested members that are interested in the committee to contact him.

UL

Chris Jensen announced that he is the new UL contact for WABO and has been with the company for two years. Chris reported that he was asked by UL to attend WABO meetings since he is an ex building official and electrical contractor. Chris announced UL Product Specs retires in November and is being replaced with Product IQ.

WA Center for Real Estate Research, UW

James Young announced that he has been tasked with housing affordability and researches supply and demand. He is asking for smaller jurisdictions to report their quarterly single family and multifamily permits off a quarterly e-mail that is sent out by his team from realestate.wa.edu.

Labor and Industries

Kelly Mayo and Craig Sedlacek from Factory Assembled Structures reported on the tiny home change in the state law. L & I is creating a Tiny Home 4.0 document that will direct individuals to the building department for dialogue and to ensure zoning will be approved. If you have any questions the best way to contact them is via e-mail at fas1@lni.wa.gov.

State Building Code Council

Richard Brown announced that DES approved a third SBCC Staff Code Specialist and he will fill the position in January 2020. Richard provided an update on the TAG committees and rule-making timelines. Richard reported that the SBCC website will be updated at the end of the month.

MyBuildingPermit.com (MBP)

Michele Miller announced that the City of SeaTac, Edmonds and the Town of Woodway have all joined MBP. MBP will have e-check option coming soon. If interested in information on MBP, please contact Michele.

Meeting recessed for code forum at 2:45 p.m.

Friday, July 19, 2019 at 8:05 a.m. – Meeting reconvened

President Allshouse reconvened meeting at 8:05 a.m.

Motion and Action Items:

Budget Report

Kurt Aldworth presented the 2019/2020 WABO Budget on behalf of Finance Chair Angela Haupt.

Motion: It was moved and seconded to approve the 2019/2020 Budget as presented.

The motion carried.

Announcements

- **Government Relations Update**

Tim Woodard provided an update on legislative bills that passed and did not pass. Tim stated that WABO members should be aware that there are comments being made by some policy makers and individuals in the building industry about how code requirements, paperwork, permit processes, impact fees and other regulations are to blame for a lack of affordable housing in our state/region. Tim announced that Andy

Higgins, Gary Schenk and Angela Haupt will be attending a local legislative work session on local permitting procedures on July 29, 2019.

Unfinished Business

Jon Siu reported that the Executive Board approved a Project Impact scoping review and hired Kaveh Aminian to lead the project. The plans have not been updated in quite awhile and FEMA has issued new guidelines. The goal is to complete the project by the end of the year.

Ray Allshouse reminded members to obtain their ATC training. Several training courses will be offered in the Fall by WABO, AIA-Seattle, and SEAW.

David Swasey, Building Official for the City of Bothell, announced that Bothell has a URM database established to provide information to the homeowners.

New Business

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.