



WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF BUILDING OFFICIALS

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MINUTES – 2018 Fall Business Meeting

Walla Walla, Washington

October 11-12, 2018

Call to Order

The annual business meeting of the voting representatives was called to order by President Ray Allshouse on October 11, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.

Roll Call

The following executive board officers were present:

- C. Ray Allshouse - President
- Kurt Aldworth - 1st Vice President
- Lee Kranz - 2nd 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
- Angela Haupt - Finance
- Rick Prosser - Education
- Todd Blevins - Outreach Services
- Andy Higgins - Accreditation
- Ray Cockerham - Emergency Management
- Jon Siu - Past President
- Trace Justice - Past President
- Gary Schenk - Past President

The following executive board directors were absent:

- Jim Tinner - State Building Code Council

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 October 11-12, 2018, 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 Annual Business Meeting on July 12-13, 2018.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded that the Minutes be approved as amended.

The motion carried.

President's Report

President Ray Allshouse reported on the ICC Board of Directors meeting that was held in Blaine WA in late August and that he was able to address the Board on WABO's behalf. Ray announced that the ICC Public Comment Hearings will be held and the results will be submitted to the CdpAccess for the voting process. He encourages members to participate in the process. WABO Bylaws changes proposed at the Annual Business meeting were approved and are effective. Ray provided an overview on WPLBO and the candidate forum that was held in San Francisco. WABO will continue to have meetings on the east side of the mountains to allow eastside members the chance to participate. Ray announced that the Annual Education Institute will be moving to the Lynnwood Convention Center to help reduce attendee expenses that were incurred at the SeaTac venue. Class prices were substantially lowered to help support jurisdictions obtaining their CEU's. Ray reported that he will continue working with the WA Cities Insurance Authority to help recognize the WABO meetings and informed membership that they already recognize the education institute and offer a reduced cost to attend. Ray thanked the membership who are helping out and encouraged others to volunteer.

First Vice President

Kurt Aldworth reported that 7 board members will be attending the ICC Annual Conference and 8 members will be attending the Public Comment Hearings in Richmond, VA. Kurt announced that WABO has TCD Scholarships available and if you plan on attending in the future he encouraged the membership to apply. Kurt shared information on the ICC Conference app that is customizable and full of good resources.

Second Vice President

Lee Kranz reported that he watched a webinar presentation from General Code (an ICC company). General Code is working to improve code software which will be cloud based. Lee announced WABO will be working with ICC to create the WA Custom Codes and hope that General Code can be part of that process. Lee talked about building the jurisdiction of the future that is more efficient and paperless. Lee announced that Kurt Latimore, from The Latimore Company, will discuss updating WABO's Strategic Plan and the Big Eight that was presented at WABO's 2018 Annual Business meeting. Lee mentioned he questioned criteria for content on WABO's website amongst the board members and Tom Phillips suggested a website content policy be created.

Immediate Past President

Tom Phillips reported that MyBuildingPermit (MBP) just interviewed for a new Executive Director. MBP is a 15 jurisdiction coalition that is still growing, and recently revamped the jurisdictional dashboard. MBP is working on an E Check acceptance to help offset credit card fees. Tom Phillips provided an update on Gary Nordeen (a recovering building official) who is traveling the world and encouraged members to follow him on Facebook.

Executive Director

Tara Jenkins announced the meeting logistics to the membership. Tara thanked Todd Blevins, Jon Siu, and Chris Seaman for their help with the Walla Walla training seminars. Tara announced the inaugural WABO +1's were officially underway and thanked Patti Justice who graciously volunteered to facilitate the group. Tara announced the WABO LinkedIn page has been reestablished and encouraged the membership to follow.

Meeting recessed for committee meetings at 8:55 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:10 p.m.

GUEST REPORTS:

State Building Code Council

Ray Allshouse presented Jim Tinner's report in his absence. Jim reported the following:

- SBCC voted to follow the ICC Mass Timber code change proposals through the CDPAccess vote (in November) and then will vote to retroactively adopt the ICC language into the 2015 IBC rather than wait until the 2021 codes.
- There is major confusion around the state regarding stairway pressurization requirements for five story wood buildings and the issue was tabled until council staff could research the original code change from several cycles ago.
- The TAGS have wrapped up their work on the first group of codes and will beginning their work on the second group in the very near future. The standing SBCC committees will begin reviewing the work of the TAGS in September.

International Code Council

Kraig Stevenson encouraged members attending the ICC Annual Conference to download the app which will help you schedule your itinerary. Kraig reported that Region II will be meeting on Sunday prior to the Annual Business Meeting. Kraig announced information on ICC's Military Families Career Path Program.

Region II

Trace Justice reported that ICC Region II is a very strong region in the nation and that they are doing well financially. Trace reported that Region II board members had the opportunity to attend Wyoming, Idaho and WABO's annual business meetings.

IABO

Gary Schenk stated that there is scholarship money available to attend the 2018 ICC Annual Conference and encouraged members to visit iaboinc.org to apply.

WPLBO

Gary Schenk announced the WPLBO candidates' forum that was held in late August had 8 candidates attend and went really well. Oregon previously withdrew from WPLBO and has remained quiet. Southern Oregon has a representative that has been attending as well as Region 1 & Region 2.

Labor and Industries

Kelly Mayo from Factory Assembled Structures reported on use and occupancy in manufactured homes. If you have any questions the best way to contact them is via e-mail at fas1@lni.wa.gov.

State Electrical Board

John Brickey reported the board met on July 26, 2018 and discussed the upcoming rulemaking at Labor & Industries. John announced the mobile inspection program is expanding to include more visually verifiable inspections. Chief Thornton attended the government relations committee meeting to receive feedback regarding compliance inspections for cities that have electrical programs. John reported the electrical fund has an excess of 3 to 4 million in funds that would be great if Labor & Industries would be able to use in electrical compliance inspections.

MyBuildingPermit.com

Tom Phillips provided report in his Past President's Report.

Liaison Reports

WSAFM

Trace Justice reported that WSAFM is discussing legislative issues and would appreciate our support on the adult family homes. WSAFM is beginning discussions on mass shooting solutions and strengthening smoke alarm walls in rentals. Trace encouraged the membership to align where we can and support each other to have a stronger showing legislatively.

International Accreditation Services

Tom Phillips reported that International Accreditation Services (IAS) work on all the criteria for accreditations. Tom stated this was his second meeting that he has attended and the committee reviewed 20 categories of suggested changes that staff out of Brea, CA had submitted. Tom talked to staff with regard to partnering with WABO's Fabrication program.

WABO/SEAW

Lee Kranz reported that some structural engineers have had issues with plans examiners on engineering judgement. A revised article has been published and available on the WABO and SEAW websites. A second article has been written where a PE has requested additional information and will be available in a couple of weeks. Lee also reported that the committee is reviewing the question on when to require special inspection on mass timber.

AIA

Ray Allshouse reported that AIA is structured similar to ICC. The AIA WA Council (legislative chapter) have a yearly meeting in Olympia to talk to legislators regarding specific topics that are relevant to architects. The architects setup the specific meetings with their senators and representatives in their districts trying to increase their program.

Simpson Strong-Tie

Jim Mattison informed the membership that there will be a workshop for structural engineers on Design Solutions for Concrete Construction on October 30, 2018.

Ray Allshouse

Ray Allshouse announced that he has a CLT project that is currently waiting for testing on firestop. Ray reported the demand for CLT is very high with very few manufacturers. The manufacturers are unable to keep up with demand and the price is very high.

Meeting recessed for code forum at 2:40 p.m.

Friday, October 12, 2018 at 8:05 a.m. – Meeting reconvened

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

Motion and Action Items

None

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Tom Phillips requested all first timer attendees to talk about their meeting experience.

Announcements

Ray Allshouse announced the upcoming winter committee meeting will be at Pellegrino's Event Center in Tumwater, WA on January 31, 2019.

Ray Allshouse announced the upcoming ICC Annual Conference and Public Comment Hearings will be on October 21-31, 2018 in Richmond, VA.

COAP Update

Andy Higgins reported that at the spring meeting WABO had been informed by South Seattle College that the COAP program would not be supported by the college in the future. WABO contacted Canvas (the learning management software used by South Seattle) and were informed that we can use the free for teacher (FFT) version of the software. The content has been shifted to the WABO FFT version and the admin office has accepted and registered year 3 cohorts into the program. Andy announced the goal is to start the year 1 cohort's fall 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 a.m.