



WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF BUILDING OFFICIALS  
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## Minutes

### **WABO Executive Board Meeting – February 18, 2025**

#### **1. Call to Order**

The WABO Executive Board was called to order by President Ray Cockerham at 1:04 p.m. via Zoom Conferencing.

#### **2. Roll Call**

The following officers were present:

Ray Cockerham	-	President
Todd Blevins	-	1st Vice President
Angela Haupt	-	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President
Andy Higgins	-	Immediate Past President

The following Directors were present:

Brian Smith	-	Certification & Registration
Micah Chappell	-	Technical Code Development
Tim Woodard	-	Government Relations
Andie Lorenz	-	Finance
Ryan Mumma	-	Education
Stacy Criswell	-	Outreach
Quyen Thai	-	Emergency Management
James Tumelson	-	Accreditation
Kurt Aldworth	-	Past President
C. Ray Allshouse	-	Past President
Trace Justice	-	Past President

The following management personnel were present:

Tara Jenkins	-	Executive Director
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#### **3. Consent Agenda**

Agenda Approval – February 18, 2025. Approved unanimously.

Minutes Approval – December 13, 2024. Approved unanimously.

4. **President Report.** President Ray Cockerham announced that he is appreciative of all the work the legislative committee members and the technical code development committee members are doing right now.

5. **Business / Action Items –**

1. **WABO Business –**

- a. **Legislative Update** - Tim Woodard announced it has been a successful session so far. Tim provided updates and overviews on the following bills: HB1935, WUIC bill, the SBCC bill, Elevator bill, HB1948, SB5747, the two electric bills, Embodied Carbon Bill. Tim informed the board that a select group of WABO Government Relations Members and The Fire Marshals Government Relation committee met to discuss the bills that affect both organizations. The Fire Marshals had some proposed amended language to the proposed language we had submitted to them.

**MOTION: It was moved and seconded to accept the WA State Fire Marshal's proposed amended language to the SBCC bill and the WUIC bill. Motion passed unanimously.**

b. **Annual Business Meeting –**

- i. **Professional Development** – Angela Haupt announced that Jonathan Jones from WSU Energy will be providing training on WSEC-R Plan Review.
  - ii. **Awards** – A discussion was held on award recipients for 2025 for the following categories: Code Official of the Year (Jenifer Gilliland), Associate of the Year (received no nominations), Jurisdictional Outreach Award (City of Tacoma), Outstanding Education Achievement (Andy Lunde & Jaime Curbow)
  - iii. **Incentives** – A WABO flannel was selected for the 2025 ABM meeting giveaway.
  - iv. **Elections** – Tara Jenkins reminded board members to turn in the Leadership Nomination form if they plan on running for the 2025/2026 term.
  - v. **First Timers Orientation** – Andy Higgins requested that all board members and their companions (if they are in attendance) attend the First Timer Orientation. The feedback from last year was positive and Andy would like to continue with this format.
- c. **WSAPT Sponsorship Opportunities** – Ray Cockerham led the discussion regarding the WSAPT Sponsorship request.

**MOTION: It was moved and seconded to provide \$1,500 to the WSAPT for their Annual Business Meeting General Event Sponsorship marking their 30-year milestone. Motion passed unanimously.**

- d. **WSEC Plans Examiner Program** – Brian Smith provided the Board with an update on the WSEC Plans Examiner program exam development. Brian surveyed the Board on their thoughts on online exams and the Board did not want to put the WSEC Plans Examiner written exam online. Board suggested that the written exams be provided at the Annual Education Institute, the in-person WABO Quarterly meetings and the WABO office.
- e. **Other** –  
Tim Woodard led the discussion on the TCD Committee e-mailed request regarding deploying a survey. The Board will inform the TCD Committee to handle all codes in the same manner. If any member has a code proposal change, they can submit to the TCD Committee for review.

**2. ICC Business –**

- a. **ICC ABM** – Tara Jenkins informed the board of the chapter reward vouchers that WABO can utilize for members to attend the ICC ABM. The following individuals will be attending and utilizing the vouchers: Tim Woodard, Ray Allshouse, Kurt Aldworth, Stacy Criswell and Angela Haupt.
- b. **ICC Leadership Academy** – Ray Cockerham informed the board that Todd Blevins and Angela Haupt can no longer attend the Leadership Academy. Stacy Criswell and Tim Woodard have been selected to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

*The Executive Director prepared the proposed Minutes. Written documents or reports referred to in the Minutes are on file in the association office.*