



WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF BUILDING OFFICIALS
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Minutes

WABO Executive Board Meeting – February 25, 2022

1. Call to Order

The WABO Executive Board was called to order by President Kurt Aldworth at 8:05 a.m. via Zoom Conferencing.

2. Roll Call

The following officers were present:

Kurt Aldworth	-	President
Andy Higgins	-	1st Vice President
Ray Cockerham	-	2 nd Vice President
C. Ray Allshouse	-	Immediate Past President

The following Directors were present:

Brian Smith	-	Certification & Registration
Micah Chappell	-	Technical Code Development
Tim Woodard	-	Government Relations
Angela Haupt	-	Finance
Todd Blevins	-	Education
Stacy Criswell	-	Outreach
Doug Powell	-	Emergency Management
James Tumelson	-	Accreditation
Trace Justice	-	Past President
Gary Schenk	-	Past President

The following directors were absent:

Tom Phillips	-	Past President
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The following management personnel were present:

Tara Jenkins	-	Executive Director
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3. Consent Agenda

Agenda Approval – February 25, 2022. Approved unanimously.
Minutes Approval – December 02, 2021. Approved unanimously.

4. **President's Report.** Kurt Aldworth provided an update on the WPLBO meeting held on February 24, 2022 that discussed the membership framework and candidates forum. WPLBO Candidate's Forum will be held July 14-15, 2022 in Southern, CA. Kurt announced that the 2nd Vice President's position will be open at the 2022 ABM and encouraged current committee chairs to consider running for that open seat. Ray Allshouse informed the Board that Sue Coffman is interested in running for the WABO Board.

5. **Business / Action Items –**

1. **WABO Business –**

a. **Legislative Update –** Tim Woodard provided a legislative update and status on SB5964 streamlining permit bill with grant funds. Marian Dacca is currently working on amendments with bill sponsor to address WABO's concerns.

b. **WABO Liaisons –** Micah Chappell expressed the need to have WABO representatives/liaisons attending other organizations meetings. The WABO President and Vice President are tasked with reviewing the WABO liaison list and identifying the top 10 organizations that WABO needs to prioritize. The President and Vice President will search for liaisons and the President will appoint.

c. **IABO Update –** Kurt Aldworth provided an overview of the WABO/IABO Officer's meeting on January 21, 2022. IABO Officers want to hold an election and have WABO do outreach for a new Executive Director/CEO and help find new board candidates. Gary Schenk announced that ICC sent an acquisitions proposal to IABO after the WABO/IABO meeting. WABO will reach back out to IABO for a status update.

d. **3rd Party Energy Code Plans Examiner Program –** Tim Woodard announced that he met with Lisa Rosenow and Duane Lewellen from Evergreen Technology Consulting to discuss ideas that may be presented to the legislature as a pathway to help jurisdictions with the complexity of the WA State Energy Code. Out of that discussion was one clear pathway that can help jurisdictions and that is a database of qualified professionals that can do energy code plan review. The program would be developed as a voluntary program so jurisdictions can choose when or if they would like to utilize the program.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to get a proposal for written exam development from Evergreen Technology Consulting for commercial and WSU Energy for residential to expediate program development. Motion passed unanimously.

e. Building Official Handbook – Ray Cockerham provided an update and review on the Building Official Handbook that Stacy Criswell’s Outreach committee drafted and Jon Siu provided editorial comments on.

f. Spring Meeting –

i. Professional Development – Tara Jenkins announced Jim Muir from Clark County will be bringing a team to present ‘drone/virtual inspections’ as the Professional Development topic.

ii. Incentives – A discussion was held on what incentive to provide at the Spring 2022 meeting.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to provide polos as the meeting incentive. Motion passed unanimously.

g. COAP Plumbing Course – James Tumelson presented the Plumbing course outline drafted by Dave Cantrell for consideration as a self-guided 12 module course in the accreditation program. The Board approved the course outline for curriculum development.

h. Building Owner Reoccupancy Program Endorsement – Jon Siu provided an overview of ATC’s endorsement request on FEMA’s Building Occupancy Resumption type program.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to support ATC’s Building Owner Reoccupancy Program endorsement. Motion passed unanimously.

i. Government Relations Consultant – Tim Woodard informed the Board that the Government Relations committee needs a technical consultant to help with report writing and testifying. Tim will develop an RFP before next session and a budget proposal for the board to consider.

j. WWCICC – Tara Jenkins presented correspondence from the Western WA Chapter of ICC regarding the Good Wall Bad Wall and a check submittal. Gary Schenk provided additional update and the Board will donate the funds to a charitable organization.

k. OBOA Outreach – Kurt Aldworth announced he sent an outreach letter to OBOA President, Amy Williams to help collaborate and align our organizations. Kurt and Andy Higgins will attend OBOA’s Spring Meeting in May.

I. Chemeketa BIT Scholarship – Brian Smith discussed the Chemeketa Building Inspection Technology (BIT) scholarship foundation and the benefits the program has to Washington code officials.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to donate \$5,500 to Chemeketa BIT Scholarship program and WABO recognized as a funding source. Motion passed unanimously.

m. Strategic Planning Update – Ray Cockerham announced the strategic planning subcommittee will be meeting in April to review.

2. ICC Issues –

a. ICC – ABM Leadership Request – Tara Jenkins announced that a request was submitted to ICC for President, Cindy Davis, Vice President, Michael Wich, or WABO Chapter liaison Director Shirley Ellis to attend WABO’s Annual Business Meeting in July of 2022.

b. PMG MC Meeting – Tara Jenkins reported that Rich Anderson Director of ICC PMG requested to hold a PMG meeting in conjunction with a WABO Quarterly meeting as an outreach event to raise awareness about ICC’s PMG program. The request was declined, and Rich Anderson will be reminded he has the opportunity to speak at the WABO meeting under Guest Reports.

b. Ron Burton 2022 Sponsorship – Tara Jenkins at the request of David Spencer provided a few talking points on sponsorship opportunities of the Ron Burton Golf Outing. The Board would like more information on how the funds gets distributed.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 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.