Minutes of the November 10, 2011 Meeting

President Paul Klein called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM at City Hall in Lincoln.

The general membership was welcomed by Todd Cunningham

The pledge of allegiance and self introductions followed.

The October meeting minutes were approved.

BOARD REPORTS

Vice President’s report:
Vice President Winfred DeLeon spoke about the Installation Dinner. December 10, 2011 at the Holiday Inn Capitol Plaza, Invitations were sent out, Win asked that members please RSVP.

Still accepting donations of raffle prizes, please see Simone with SMA.

The cost is $45.00 per person, plus members are already paid.

Rooms are available for $99.00.

Raffle prize today includes a $50 gift card to the Best Buy; there will also be a second opportunity to win at the Installation Dinner.

RSVPs for the monthly meetings have been good and Win extended his appreciation.

Website update:
- Code discussion and forum board is up and running soon. Some of the topics include:
  - Disabled Access
  - Green Energy
  - Other topics as they arise

Membership numbers:
- 156 members in good standing
- 37 have not renewed

Treasurer’s report:
Treasurer Greg Mahoney reported that a balance of $51,455.36 will be filed for audit.

President’s report:
Paul thanked Win for his efforts on the forum.

Paul thanked the membership for the opportunity to serve the organization.

Paul reported that Greg Mahoney and Bob Latz represented SVABO at the ABM in Phoenix. There was some discussion about the need for SVABO to be more involved on the national level. Ken Welsh suggested a golf tournament to help pay for SVABO membership to attend the code hearings.
COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education Committee (presented by Todd Cunningham)
Chair: Gary Eide
Vice-Chair: Mike McGee
The Education Committee is finishing up the year with a total of 14 classes for 2011. 4 classes were offered at no-cost. Todd extended his appreciation to Gary Eide and the entire committee.

The Education Committee has begun planning classes for next year with a couple being prepared for February. The goal is another 10 paid classes and a few free ones.

There is only one more class scheduled for the remainder of the 2011 year and it is the Commercial Kitchen and Electrical Code Update class scheduled for November 17.

The committee is in need of ideas for future classes
Additional locations for classes are needed, although the Lincoln room is available.

The committee is always looking for new instructors, if you are interested contact the committee chair.

Sub-Committee - Inspector Networking Meeting
Sub-committee Chair: Greg Soliz
No Report

Code Development Committee (presented by George Kellogg)
Chair: George Kellogg
Co-chair: Greg Mahoney
- George encouraged the use of the new SVABO forum to bring ideas for code development to the committee.

Scholarship Committee (presented by Tim Wegner)
Chair: Tim Wegner
The Bob Stoddard Scholarship application period ended September 30, 2011. The scholarship has not yet been awarded. The scholarship will be awarded when the student has completed the semester.

Outreach Committee (Todd Cunningham)
Chair: Craig Sarmento
Co-Chair: TBD
No project has been selected yet, there have been a few suggested. Todd asked for involvement from the membership.

STATE AGENCY REPORTS

CALBO (presented by Bob Latz)
CALBO Education week held in Ontario was well attended and seemed to be driven by the need for CEUs. The 50th Anniversary ABM will be held in Universal City. The CALBO Building Official Academy will be offered. The first class will be taught by Gene Paolini and Bob Latz.
The ABM in 2013 will be held in Napa.
Bob talked about the necessary involvement of Building Officials in the State Solar Initiative. Rick Renfro brought up the fact that the Fire Marshall is involved but that Building Officials are not represented. There is discussion about legislating turnaround times for PV systems. CALBO is opposed to such legislation.
There will be a meeting held at the state on the 29th to address turnaround times. Rick encouraged SVABO involvement.
Steve Burger talked about Electric Vehicle Charging Stations and trying to resolve issues associated with them. He will reach out to jurisdictions for feedback and info.

The Builder’s Exchange now known as Region Builders is pushing for online permitting, online project status, issuing 10 permits for $15.00 and expedited permits.

CBOAC (presented by Dee Renfro)
The newly elected board was installed in the ABM in September. Nancy Springer was elected to the board. Dee indicated that the CBOAC will be doing some modifications to their website.

League of Cities
Rick Renfro
No report

CAL-Fire
No Report

California Energy Commission
No Report

Contractor’s State License Board
No Report

Housing and Community Development
No Report

ICC
ICC conference, Bob Latz and Greg Mahoney attended the ICC ABM and Code Hearings.

Greg Mahoney talked about the Code Development Hearings regarding the International Green Construction Code and some of the significant changes. Most of the proposed changes were not approved. Only 23% of code changes submitted for review in the final action hearings were approved.

Bob Latz also represented SVABO at the ABM in Phoenix. Bob mentioned that ICC is really looking into getting back into California. Rick Wieland understands that California is an important player and needs to be recognized as such.

Bob also reported that the ABM was noticeably less attended than in previous years and that smaller jurisdictions had a voice due to the low turnout.

There were very few representatives from Northern California. Southern California was much better represented.

Bob talked about the importance of the membership getting involved in Code Development and future ABMs.

Building Standards Commission
No Report

DSA has announced that the next CASp exam will be held on December 11, 2011.

OLD BUSINESS
None

NEW BUSINESS
Ken Welsh spoke about Veteran’s Day, he stressed that it is not just a day off and that we need to acknowledge the veterans.

PROGRAM
Past President’s report: (presented by Yvonne Christopher and Todd Cunningham)
Yvonne Christopher talked about the by-law changes:
Industry members that are contracted to work in jurisdictions would be eligible to serve on the executive board. The Past Presidents looked at the board make-up and the commitment required going through the positions on the board. The decision was made to present a by-law change combining the positions of Secretary and Treasurer and also to allow industry to serve on the board. Discussion regarding the changes followed. A vote to approve the by-laws changes was held at the meeting.

- Yes 15 votes
- No 0 votes
- Online votes
  - Yes 16 votes
  - No 5 votes

The bylaws were approved by member vote.

A question was asked about the notification process for the electronic vote. The notification was via email to members.

Todd Cunningham brought forward the nominations for the board in the October meeting. As the Past President Todd officiated the election process and asked for nominations from the floor.

- Winfred DeLeon was elected to the position of President
- Greg Mahoney was nominated to the position of Vice President
- Ron Yasui was nominated to the position of Secretary/Treasurer

Paul thanked the Past Presidents for their work on the by-laws and nominations.

Winfred DeLeon asked for members input both good and bad. Asked about opinions regarding direction for the organization. The following are suggestions from the members.

- Possibly agendize code discussions, provide data base of code discussions and results.
- Coordinate interpretations to promote consistency and possible code change.
- Possible pre-meeting discussions concerning code questions.
- Provide periodic updates to City Managers and Elected Officials to offset special interest influence.
- Mentioned the possibility of inviting Region Builders to SVABO meeting.

**NEXT MEETING**
December 10, 2011 Installation Dinner, Sacramento

Meeting adjourned at 12:08 PM

Respectfully submitted
Greg Mahoney
SVABO Treasurer