Minutes of the November 8, 2013 Meeting

Chapter Vice-President Ron Yasui called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m. at the Pacific Coast Producers, 1601 Mitchell Ave., Oroville, CA.

The general membership was welcomed by Nancy Springer, Building Division Manager/Building Official of Butte County.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Curtis Johnson, Senior Building Inspector for Butte County, and self-introductions followed.

The October meeting minutes were approved with one correction. The installation dinner cost will be $45 instead for the $40 stated in the October Minutes.

In attendance were 25 SVABO members, guests and students. Guests included Shawn Huff from HCD and student Denise Reese, recipient of the 2013 Bob Stoddard Scholarship for $500.

Board Members Present:
- Ron Yasui, Vice President
- Randy Goodwin, Secretary / Treasurer
- Winfred DeLeon, Past President

SVABO Treasurer’s report: Randy Goodwin

Randy Goodwin reported a balance of $35,807.80. This total was incorrect. The correct balance for October is $44,770.79. This total will be filed for audit.

SVABO Vice President’s report: Ron Yasui

Up-Coming meeting:
- Saturday, December 14, 2013 – SVABO Annual Installation and Awards Dinner, McBean Pavilion, 65 McBean Park Dr., Lincoln, CA. RSVP’s: Thank you for your cooperation this year in making your reservations for our monthly meetings. Please continue this practice next year as it helps us plan our monthly meetings and make a commitment to the vendor providing lunch.
- Current paid membership for SVABO is up to 122 members. 122 members have not renewed their membership. A reminder notice will go out to members to renew their memberships.
- Raffle: Description of how the 50/50 raffle works. $45 total for the raffle this month.
- Discussion regarding cost and improvement of the SVABO website. Smith Moore and Associates owns the domain and maintains the website. Please contact Ron Yasui with ideas regarding improving the current SVABO website and/or volunteering to work on the web site.
- Most meeting locations have been set up for next year. Rick Renfro suggested a joint meeting with the Shasta/Cascade Chapter for October of next year. Nancy Springer said the typical October Butte County meeting could be moved from the October slot to accommodate an October meeting with the Shasta/Cascade Chapter.
- A memorial card for Greg Mahoney’s Father-in-Law was put out for signatures.

SVABO President’s report: Vice-President Ron Yasui
• New Civil Code Section 1101, SB 407 was discussed. As of 1/1/2014 all building alterations for single family residential will require compliant water conserving plumbing fixtures to be installed prior to final permit approval. SVABO will appoint an Ad Hoc committee to develop forms, handouts and do research. An informal survey of local jurisdictions reveals some jurisdictions are creating self-certification forms for property owners, supplying compliant shower heads and faucet inserts for free at their front counter. SVABO will continue to work with CALBO to lobby for revisions to the Civil Code. Nancy Springer, Rick Renfro and Win DeLeon suggested SVABO study and respond to CALBO’s legislative analysis of SB 407. Shawn Huff from HCD stated that HCD has an information bulletin out regarding SB 407, CCS 1101.

• CRC changes to smoke alarms for 2013 (R314.3). Smoke alarm criteria have been transcribed from NFPA 72 with a10 year battery required for smoke ionization alarms and all alarms older than 10 years must be replaced.
• Next steps for Region I will be choosing a designated representative and an alternate. A meeting will be held at the CALBO ABM in March to discuss next steps for Region I per the current bylaws. Bob Latz is organizing the effort.
• Meeting CEUs
  • Certificates are available for attending the business meeting

Past President’s Report: Winfred DeLeon

Win is working on a fundraiser whose theme will be building bridges. A model bridge building contest with an entry fee will be held during Building Safety Month. Prizes will be given for the strongest, most innovative, funniest…..etc.

Code Quiz Questions: Ron Beehler

No code quiz this month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education Committee:

Chair: Greg Soliz
Vice Chair: TBD
Board Liaison: Ron Yasui

Education Committee Chapter Report
October 11, 2013

1. Future classes:

  i. Shane Diller - Code Enforcement –
     1. Date: November 14
     2. Location Elk Grove

  ii. Doug Thornburg - 2012 IBC Fundamentals
      1. Date: December 5
      2. Location: Folsom Community Center

Shane Diller Code Enforcement
Course description
Subject matter, maybe just some Code Enforcement basics (need-to-know stuff) and a bit of the management side like you mentioned. That should appeal to those of us that supervise officers

Doug Thornburg - 2012 IBC Fundamental
Course description
This seminar covers the scope and basic concepts of the 2012 International Building Code® (IBC®). The seminar, while focusing on the nonstructural fire and life safety provisions of Chapters 3 through 10, addresses all general areas of the code in order to assist in the understanding and application of the provisions. This course will also help the code user to

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correctly locate and recognize the interrelatedness of code requirements, as well as to begin to develop a procedure for working with them. A discussion of Chapter 1 will address those administrative provisions that form the basis for applying of the technical criteria set forth in the IBC.

**Code Development Committee:**

Co-Chair: Jay Hyde  
Co-Chair: Dan Larsen  
Board Liaison: Randy Goodwin

SVABO Code Review and Development Committee  
October 25, 2013  
8:00 AM. MNA Conference Room

1. Roll Call  
2. Review of September 27 Code Development Committee minutes  
3. Review of Outreach efforts to the Building Community.  
4. Code Development. At the September 29, 2013 meeting, members determined to focus our efforts on the following proposed Code Changes:  
   - Emergency escape and rescue windows are currently prohibited from opening onto covered porches and balconies (Except exterior exit balconies). Committee will investigate the issues and develop a code change proposal for submission to IIC.  
   - IBC/CBC Chapter 903 identifies locations where fire sprinklers are required. For assembly occupancies the requirements include when a specific number of occupants are present and the allowable fire area. The fire area is generally much larger than the maximum numbers of occupants would require. The IIC interpretative manuals for 2006 and 2012 IBC indicate that the number of occupants is for the Occupants of the Assembly classification, not all classifications. Local fire marshals have been reluctant to accept this interpretation and believe that the number is for the total number of occupants. The Committee will investigate and propose a Code Change.  
   - Sprinklers in modular homes are a gray area of the Code. HCD seems to be lagging behind IBC. Committee to investigate and consider preparing a Code Change proposal for HCD consideration.  
   - Previously reviewed code change proposals were reviewed:  
     - Terry Knox: Guard rails in sports stadiums  
       - The Committee felt that the intent was good but how do you define a “climbing surface?? Decision: send Terry’s proposal out to rest of the Committee for comments.  
       - Jay Hyde to follow up with Terry Knox.  
     - Rick Eswonger: Clarify ramp requirements.  
       - Committee felt that the revised 11B already address this concern. Jay Hyde to investigate 1013 11B and talk to Rick to determine exactly what is concerns are and exactly what he is proposing.  
       - Jay Hyde to talk to Rick and report back.  
     - Steve Merck: How to determine quantities of materials in an automotive repair garage and how to determine when it shifts from S-2 to S-1.  
       - Committee suggested that this would be a good topic for the Code Forum on the SVABO Website. Jay Hyde to contact Steve to verify if this is still a concern.  
       - Tim Sullivan suggests that repair garages seldom store much hazardous materials on site and that the S-01/S-2 determination would be determined by area.  
       - Jay Hyde to contact Steve to determine if this is still a concern.  
     - Window replacement: the Committee should poll our jurisdictions to determine who allows a non-conforming emergency escape and rescue window to be replaced without necessarily requiring that it conform to current code. (one item from the IRC proposed changes)

5. Review written list of Goals and an action plan for 2013

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| Greater Chapter participation in Code Development and Review | • Support Ron Beehler’s Code Question of the Month.  
   • Focus on Changes to the 2013 California Codes. | Entire Committee, Dan Larsen to Focus on Accessibility. Randy Goodwin to Contact Education | Ongoing. Start in April Chapter Meeting. |
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<td>Talk with CBSC. Develop plan to interface with CBSC, HCD, DSA</td>
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<td>Appoint Co Chair</td>
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| Additional Committee outreach | • Develop plan to work with AIA and CSI  
• Reach out to the Design Community  
  o Jay Hyde and Randy Goodwin to meet with AIA Board  
• Reach out to product suppliers and representatives  
  o Jay Hyde to use CSI Membership to reach out to CSI Board and Membership | Jay Hyde Randy Goodwin |
| Simplify Code | Talk with CBSC, Develop plan to interface with CBSC, HCD, DSA, and Energy Commission. | George Kellogg |

6. Old Business Items for record.
   o The Committee continued discussion about the trend of the Codes to become more and more involved and complicated.
     ▪ Suggestion was made to format the IRC the same as the IBC to make it more compatible and easier to use.
     ▪ The State Codes are available online at no charge. IIC based State Codes are accessed one way and non-IIC-based codes (Plumbing, Mechanical, Fire, for example) Suggestion is to make all the state codes as assessable as the IBC-based codes and to add hyperlinks to referenced standards.
   o Question of the Month:
     ▪ Committee to submit proposed questions to Ron Beehler approximately 1 week prior to the Chapter Meeting.
   o Outreach to AIA, CSA, Others:
     ▪ Outreach is ongoing and successful Randy Goodwin is participating on an AIA Panel for the Pathways Event. This will be a good opportunity to reach out to new AIA Members and to younger people.
     ▪ The Bod ASSocation Party was a great success in getting other members of the building community to know who SVABO is.
     ▪ Michael Malonowsky is developing the program “Code Conversation” for November. Randy Goodwin, Greg Mahoney and Mark Woods will all participate.
2013 Code Changes
- Randy Goodwin reported that Rick Swenson and Rick Walters are interested in developing online tests with Continuing Education Credits (CEU’s) with a nominal fee. The course(s) would be education regarding the changes to the 2013 California Codes. The format would be a training session then a short test to verify understanding of the issues.

CASp testing:
- Randy Goodwin reported that he has contacted the State of California regarding the CASp testing.
  - Mark Woods is on the Test Committee and the Committee is adamant that there not be a change in the testing to allow for a tiered approach.
  - DSA (Bob Chase) wants to make the test format more like other State testing (partial open book, partial closed book) and to turn it into more of a tiered system with certification at several levels of expertise.
  - The State mandate for CASp Certified inspectors starting 2014 is still undergoing various interpretations.
  - There are currently less than 500 CASp Certified Inspectors in California.

Legislative Watch:
- SB11 8007 (?) Mandates high efficiency plumbing fixtures when altering an existing project. Consensus is that it is in the same category as when the Legislature mandated Pool Safety measures are incorporated into alteration projects. There are concerns about the legislature legislating code.

Plan Check Software:
- Rocklin is using Adobe Acrobat 10 Pro right off the shelf for plan check and that it works well.

Improve level of participation in Code Development and Review Committee:
- George Kellogg recommended multiple announcements and requests a reply one week in advance of the Committee meeting.
- Randy Goodwin recommended sending out an Outlook meeting notice to get it on calendars. Try to use “Go to Meeting.” Randy to investigate if SVABO has paid for “Go to Meeting” – If not, Google+ is a free service.

7. Next Committee Meeting: November 22, 2013

Scholarship Committee:
Chair: Scott Brynes
Co-Chair: TBD
Board Liaison: Tim Wegner

Applications for the Bob Stoddard Scholarship are now available. The Bob Stoddard Scholarship was established in memory of Bob Stoddard, a longtime member the SVABO. Bob was devoted to the work of quality codes and uniform enforcement and was a supporter of educational programs for persons pursuing a career in building code enforcement. Eligibility is limited to members of the SVABO who are enrolled or enrolling in a Building Inspection Technology program offered by a college, trade school or other educational institution within the SVABO service area. The 2013 award of $500 was presented to Denise V. Reese by Scott Brynes.

Outreach Committee:
Co-Chair: Andrea Coley
Co-Chair: Michael Vieira
Board Liaison: Winfred DeLeon

A newsletter is in process. Michael asked for contributions/contributors.

Installation Committee:
Co-Chair: Andrea Coley
Co-Chair: Ken Welch
Board Liaison: Ron Yasui
  - Installation Dinner:
Please offer help and suggestions for next year. SVABO Installation Dinner 2013 - Save the Date - December 14th, 2013. Location will be McBean Park - City of Lincoln. Ken Welch has confirmed the rental of the hall. A block of rooms has been reserved for Installation Dinner attendees at Holiday Inn Express in Lincoln. Catering and DJ will be by Rayna's. Ken needs volunteers for bartending and set up. Cost for those attending that do not have a plus membership is $45 each. Please email Ken Welch at kenandjudyw@hotmail.com or Andrea Coley at andrea.coley@us.bureauveritas.com and please RSVP to Yelena Martynovskya at yelena@svabo.org no later than Friday, December 6th at NOON.

NorCal Permit Technicians Committee:

Chairperson: Beth Maynard- City of Rancho Cordova
Vice Chairperson- Susan McIendon: City of Citrus Heights
Secretary/Treasurer/Education Chair: Hilary Young- City of Lathrop
Board Liaison: Nancy Springer

NorCal Permit Technicians Group
Meeting Minutes
October 23, 2013 at 1:00pm
County of El Dorado Government Center, Placerville

meeting was called to order 8:00

Flag Salute

Attendees-
Susan McIendon - City of Citrus Heights
Beth Maynard- City of Rancho Cordova
Hilary Young- City of Lathrop
Priscilla Maxwell- City of Placerville
Cathi Close – City of Placerville
Terry Mccullogh – City of Reno
Janette Gerondak- City of Placerville
Michelle Menszer – City of Folsom
Steve Burger – City of Folsom
Annette Wheeler – City of Placerville

Approval of Meeting Minutes from August 28, 2013
Motion- Janette
2nd- Hilary
In Favor -unanimous

Agenda Items:

Permit Tech Awards Update
Our Vice Chair Susan McIendon was awarded… for raising profile of Building Safety (See below)

Budget Discussion
Hilary started the discussion with suggestions for creating a budget for the group to fund miscellaneous items to support the ongoing efforts of the group. Steve suggested a simple $5.00 per meeting dues.

The group unanimously decided that $5.00 was a fair collection amount for Membership fees and would only be collected per person upon attendance at meetings. Hilary will be responsible for maintaining the collections.
We will require RSVP’s to future meetings to get a head count for handouts, snacks and other necessary items to hold the meeting successfully.

Code Enforcement Officer Presentation: By Jim Wassner
Jim was unable to attend and the Permit Techs Janice Poirer from El Dorado County gave the presentation for us. There are handouts attached to the meeting minutes that were provided by El Dorado County.
The presentation was wrapped up with some discussion about what each person in attendance did in their respective jurisdiction. Some examples include where does code live in each jurisdiction. Answers were varied, CDD, Police, its own division.

**Update from our Chair- Beth Maynard**

Beth received some information from the Texas Permit Tech Association and shared with the group some of the details they provided her: How they began their group and what they provide to their Technicians i.e.…training for certificates, education, fundraisers. Very similar to what we are trying to do in our group.

**Discussion Items**

1. **Penalty Fees**
   a. fees assessed when someone is found working without a permit.

2. **CO2 disclosures and Water efficiencies**
   a. How will each office handle this- majority handouts

3. **Training**
   a. Steve suggested Tech’s should get involved in SVABO as much as possible.
   b. If you volunteer as a monitor for SVABO training course you may be able to attend the course for free
   c. If your city hosts a class typically 1 person from the city can attend the class for free

4. **Future meeting topics**
   a. CSLB – someone from the office to give details about where and when a contractor is needed
   b. State Buildings- departments we all interact with may be willing to be a meeting location and provide tours and presentation around the facility

5. **Job Openings –**
   a. Dee Renfro from West Coast Consultants in the North Bay Area has an upcoming open full time position if anyone is interested- contact Beth

6. **Permit Tech training**
   a. There is an upcoming 2 day course for Permit Tech training
   b. See the ICC website for more information

7. **YouTube or Skype for meetings**
   a. The consensus of the group is that we are not prepared to take that step yet. Placed on the back burner for now.

8. **El Dorado County**
   a. How they county manages the volume of such a large jurisdiction
      i. Scheduling for walk ins from 8-12 am
      ii. ½ hour appointments are scheduled from 12-3
   1. Appointments get permit same day

**Volunteers/Suggestions/Recommendations**

**Upcoming Meetings**

2014

January 15- City of Lincoln – Topic to be announced
   *Bring to next meeting: $5 per person and a copy of your jurisdictions building permit applications will be a discussion topic.*

March-date and time TBA - Placer County

May- date and time TBA- City of Rancho Cordova

**Adjournment**

Motion-Hilary Young
Second- Steve Burger
Meeting adjourned at 2:50pm

Respectfully Submitted

Hilary Young
Secretary/Treasurer/Education Chair
STATE AGENCY REPORTS

CALBO Bob Latz (email)

CALBO has provided a Legislative Analysis for SB 407 that can be accessed from the Website. CALBO’s new website has been activated and has a new look and feel. Like most websites, it continues to have new improvements being added. CALBO is currently working on the registration packages for the 2014 CALBO ABM being held in Anaheim March 3 through 8th, 2014. CALBO has changed the format so look for the new schedule when released.

Members representing chapters of Region I in attendance at the ICC ABM met in Atlantic City with several ICC Board Members and ICC attendees giving their support. Region I and Region II met briefly to discuss the formation and Region II showed great interest in working together. Next steps will be to choose a designated representative and an alternate. There will be a meeting at the CALBO ABM in March to discuss getting the organization started as per the bylaws. Further information to follow.

League of Cities Pete Guisasola

No report this month.

California Energy Commission

Please contact SVABO’s CEC liaison, Chris Olvera, colvera@energy.state.ca.us for information and to schedule classes.

California Housing and Community Development

Shawn Huff from HCD spoke about HCD merging with CalHFC under a new director.

1) Based upon Governors re-organization plan HCD is now part of Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency (BCS&H). HCD was formerly part of BTH, Business Transposition and Housing.

2) New Department Director Randall Deems
   New Deputy Director of Codes and Standards Richard Weinert

3) Legislation signed by Governor affecting HCD AB 341 and AB 1092

4) Current Triennial Rulemaking T24
   - 11A (extensive)
   - CALGreen (EV and PV)
   - Electrical (minor)
   - Plumbing (minor)
   - Building (minor)

5) SHL T-25 rulemaking commencing
   - Repeal reference to 1997 UHC
   - Revision Section 42 Caretaker
   - Revision Abatement noticing requirements

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Acting Assistant Deputy Director

Uniform Code - Uniform Enforcement

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Office of the State Fire Marshal
Did not attend. No report this month.

Department of the State Architect
Did not attend. No report this month.

International Code Council

2014 Annual Conference and Group C Public Comment Hearing
Annual Conference: September 28 – October 1, 2014
Public Comment Hearing: October 1–7, 2014
Greater Fort Lauderdale Broward County Convention Center
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

2015 Committee Action Hearing (Group A Codes)
April 26 – May 3, 2015
Memphis Cook Convention Center
Memphis, Tennessee

2015 Annual Conference and Group A Public Comment Hearings
Annual Conference: September 27 – September 30, 2015
Public Comment Hearing: September 30– October 7, 2015
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, California

California State Contractors Licensing Board
Did not attend. No report this month.

OLD BUSINESS
None

NEW BUSINESS
Elections were held for new officers for 2014. A quorum of the membership (10% of 122 per the bylaws) was present. Unanimous votes were cast for:

Scott Brynes, Secretary/Treasurer.
Randy Goodwin, Vice-President
Rick Renfro, President

Ken Welch and all members present thanked Ron Yasui for his service as Treasurer/Secretary and Vice-President. A unanimous motion was passed electing Dee Renfro and Andrea Coley as 2014 Co-chairs for the Installation Committee.

Rick Renfro won $22.50 in the 50/50 raffle

NEXT MEETING
SVABO Installation Dinner 2013 - Save the Date - December 14th, 2013. Location will be McBean Park Pavilion, 65 McBean Park Dr., Lincoln. Please RSVP to Yelena Martynovskya at yelena@svabo.org no later than Friday, December 6th at NOON.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:25.

PROGRAM / PRESENTATION
Installation Dinner.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Goodwin
SVABO Secretary /Treasurer