

Minutes – Region IX – ICC – April 4, 2008 – Auburn, AL

Attendees:

Don Fuchs, BOAF	Tom Dozier, Region IX Board
Ronnie Spooner, Region IX Board	Paul Antoine, Region IX Board
Bhola Dhume, Region IX Board	Mark Roberts, ICC
Steve Pizzillo, Director, FL	Alan Boswell, Director, AL
Bill Carrigee, Region IX Board	Blake Meredith, Director, MS
Alan Plante, Director, FL	

The president, Ronnie Spooner took a count of Board members to make sure there was a quorum which includes representation for each state, once confirmed a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 8:10 by the president.

Invocation was led by Tom Dozier and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

The president introduced the Officers.

Bill Carrigee, Secretary asked everyone to review the minutes from the Florida meeting and asked if there were any comments or corrections. A motion was made by Steve Pizzillo to accept the minutes, seconded by Alan Plante, motion passed unanimously.

Report from Treasurer: Tom Dozier asked that he be furnished with names and addresses for everyone in each state so that he could send out notices for dues and a schedule of membership fees. Tom Dozier provided the board with a treasurer's report indicating a balance as of April 1, 2008 of \$6,908.00. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Paul Antoine and seconded by Bhola Dhume, motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Ronnie Spooner, President asked Bhola Dhume to give a report on the By-Law changes.

Article II, © Honorary Member, In the last sentence the word Life was added. The last sentence now reads "All Past-Presidents of Region IX shall be Honorary Life Members."

Motion to accept this change was made by Bill Carrigee, seconded by Steve Pizzillo, motion passed unanimously.

Article III, Section 2, the words "by the board of directors" was replaced with "from the pool of Directors by a majority Board vote."

Motion to accept this change was made by Tom Dozier, seconded by Alan Plante, motion passed unanimously.

Article III, Section 3, the sentence “Term limits for Directors, if any, shall be decided by each state.”, was added.

Motion to accept this change was made by Bill Carrige, seconded by Alan Plante, motion passed unanimously.

Article IX, Section 1, a new sentence was added to the end which states “Membership is contingent upon the payment of annual dues.”

Motion to accept this change was made by Paul Antoine, seconded by Alan Boswell, motion passed unanimously.

Alan Boswell gave a report for the Education Committee that they were still trying to decide on which method should be used to make the most of the ICC Chapter training day for Region IX. There was much discussion ranging from putting the day out for bid, spreading it from state to state to using it for Architects and Engineers. The idea of having a computer based class was brought up and Jimmy Brothers said he could check with ICC to see if it would be possible. Alan asked for other suggestions and George Pickle thought the rotation from state to state was a good idea.

The Legislative Committee asked that we pass a resolution stating that we support HB 4461 and SB 2458.

Motion was made by Bhola Dhume, seconded by Paul Antoine, motion passed unanimously.

Don Fuchs stated that we have our web address and you can link to it from the BOAF website. Don asked that state associations send their links to him and he will add those links to the Region IX site.

President Ronnie Spooner reminded everyone of Region IX's scope and purpose and which states are the states in Region IX.

New Business:

President Ronnie Spooner informed the attendees that Region IX annual meeting will be held in conjunction with the BOAM annual conference this June in Gulfport at the Marriott on Friday June 13, 2008 at 8:30 AM.

Ronnie Spooner stated that Don Fuchs has done a great job for Region IX and asked if the Board would make a motion to modify the By-Laws for the June 2008 meeting to create the position of “Executive Director.”

A motion was made by Bill Carrigee, seconded by Paul Antoine, motion passed unanimously.

Ronnie Spooner informed the membership that having the ability to have Tele-Conference calls through ICC is a great benefit and could allow Officers as well as members to participate even if they can not travel to the meetings.

Ronnie Spooner stated that the Governance Committee, Chaired by Wally Bailey is still trying to get the sectional representation for all Regions and asked if Region IX was still in support of this concept. The size of the Board would not change but we would have representation from each area.

Paul Antoine made the motion that we continue to support this change and Alan Plante seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Jimmy Brothers reminded everyone that Chapter Reports are being sent out and must be filled out and returned.

Ronnie Spooner asked for support of Building Safety Week and thanked AAPGMI for allowing us to be a part of their annual conference.

Tom Dozier made a motion we adjourn the meeting seconded by Paul Antoine. Ronnie asked that Board members stay around for pictures.