

Minutes – Region IX – ICC – January 4, 2008 – Pensacola, Fl.

Attendees:

Don Fuchs, BOAF	Danny Weeden, BOAF
Tam Landis, BOAF	Tom Dozier, Region IX Board
Ronnie Spooner, Region IX Board	Paul Antoine, Region IX Board
Doug Murdock, BOAF	Bill Weeks, BOAF
Bhola Dhume, Region IX Board	Richie Lee, BOAF
Mark Roberts, ICC	Steve Pizzillo, Director, Fl.
William Gil, Director, LA	Alan Boswell, Alabama
Denise Jobe, Director, LA	Bill Carrigee, Region IX Board
Robbie Weekly, BOAF	Bill Foshee, Director, MS.
Larry Ballard, Destin, 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 9:18 by the president.

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

Tam Landis welcomed everyone to Pensacola.

The president asked everyone to stand and introduce themselves.

Bill Carrigee, Secretary asked everyone to review the minutes from Reno meeting and asked if there any comments or corrections. Paul Antoine commented that we should add some clarification to the minutes with respect to the location of the meetings. Meetings should be moved around different locations subject to board approval and discretion. A motion was made by Tom Dozier to accept the minutes with Paul's comments, seconded by William Gill, 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 letter schedule of membership fees. Don Fuchs asked if all seed money was in. Tom stated that last years seed money for Louisiana was paid and the account balance is \$5,308.00 Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Bill Carrigee and seconded by Paul Antoine, motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

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

Change to read:

Article III, Section 3. Each newly elected officer or directors shall take office at the beginning of the ICC Region IX meeting during the Annual Business Meeting of the International Code Council.

Motion to accept this change was made by Alan Boswell, seconded by Steve Pizzillo motion passed unanimously

Article II, Section 2 (C) Honorary Member. Any person, firm, association or corporation rendering outstanding services to the Association may be approved by the Board of Directors for honorary membership. All Past-Presidents of Region IX shall be Honorary Members.

Motion to accept this change was made by Bill Carrigee and seconded by Denise Jobe. motion passed unanimously

Don Fuchs questioned language for Active member being a paid member. An active member of Chapters is an active member of Region IX. Membership shall be contingent upon payment of dues.

Questions came up about the terms of directors in the By-laws. Ronnie Spooner asked Bhola Dhume to have committee look at this.

Dues were discussed and it was agreed that bills would be sent out to all Chapters for the period of October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008. All dues paid already by any chapter will be credited to that time period.

Don Fuchs stated that we have our web address and domain name. Bill Carrigee made a motion to have links to the local association for each state, Bhola Dhume seconded and the motion passed.

William Gill asked if a counter could be put on the web site and Don said he could. Don stated there is no cost so far for the web site. Ronnie and the membership thanked Don for all his help.

Ronnie stated he had received the Chapter Organization package for Region IX from President Shapiro, included was an official letter of acceptance from ICC for Region IX. Region IX is now an ICC Chapter. Each President should get one as a souvenir.

The Region IX banner was shown and having our logo put on the banner was discussed. The colors of Region IX logo were decided. The green from ICC would be used for the outline and the lettering. This logo should be added to the website along with our By-Laws, membership application, a summary of what's going on with Region IX and photos. Tom Dozier request names and email addresses for website. Don stated that it would be better for a single email address and someone to forward emails to the proper

person. It was discussed that maybe all officers should have their email address on the site in case one person is not available.

Bill Carrigee stated that the bank statements are still coming to him and that we may want to have them sent to the BOAF address since they have an office.

New Business:

Mark Roberts stated he was our liaison for ICC and that either he or Phil McMann will try to attend all meetings.

Ronnie Spooner began setting up committees. These committees are as follows:

By-law committee- Bhola Dhume is chair, Steve Pizzillo, Blake Meredith, Alan Boswell, Denise Jobe.

Legislative Committee- Ronnie Spooner, Chair, Mark Roberts, Ken Taylor, Paul Antoine, Phil McMann

Membership Committee- Bill Carrigee, Chair, Alan Plante, Ricky Calloway, William Gil

Education Committee- Tom Dozier, Chair, Tam Landis, Bill Foshee, Alan Boswell, William Gill

Nomination Committee- Paul Antoine, Chair, Tom Dozier, John Evans, Mike Metcalf, Tam Landis

Code Development Committee- Steve Pizzillo, Chair, Tom Dozier, Paul Antoine, Mark Roberts, Bill Carrigee.

There was discussion about the duties of the different committees, especially membership and Education.

Membership Committee needs to get out information on Region IX and possibly do a membership drive. Get the local Chapters more involved and find out what Region IX can do for the Chapters.

Education Committee needs to look at how to handle the free education day from ICC. One possible way is to donate it to the State where Region IX will hold its annual meeting. Bill Carrigee stated Mississippi does not need it this year. Another possibility is a lottery.

Bhola stated that the BOAL Conference is February 24th, 25th & 26th in Baton Rouge at the Holiday Inn Select, ICC President will be there.

Bill Carrigee informed the attendees that BOAM will be June in Gulfport at the Marriott but was not sure of the dates; he said he would get an email out to everyone.

Mark Roberts suggested that Mississippi go ahead and fill out the request form for ICC to have board members attend. Mark also stated that we should put on the request that the meeting in Mississippi is also the Region IX meeting. Mark also asked if BOAM invites the Governor to our meeting and Bill stated we do but so far only Lt. Governor Amy Tuck has ever shown up.

Florida will have their meeting June 8th through 12th in Naples.

Alabama will have their annual meeting in September 9th through 12th

Ronnie Spooner stated that we should try and have our Region IX Annual meeting in a three to four month range before ICC has their annual meeting. Alabama meeting is too close to the ICC meeting and we would not have enough time to conduct Region IX business before the ICC meeting. With this scenario, Mississippi and Florida would be the only states that could host the Region IX meeting unless Alabama or Louisiana has a problem with that in which case we could work something out.

A motion was made by Bill Carrigee to have the next Region IX meeting in Auburn on April 4th, 2008. Seconded by Paul Antoine, motion passed.

Ronnie asked that we spread on the minutes Congratulations to Florida Chapter for being National Chapter of the Year.

Bhola made a motion we adjourn the meeting seconded by Bill Foshee. William Gill asked that everyone stay around for pictures.