Following the presentation President Plante asked the officers to comment on the IABO. Bill Rodgers said he supports IABO but would like more information about their goals to know if their goals are in line with those of the core code officials. William Gil stated that he wishes to reserve his comments until he knows more about the organization. William Gil then made a motion for Region IX to join IABO as a corporate member. Paul Antoine seconded the motion and it was opened for discussion. Blake Steiner asked if the Region IX budget would support a long-term commitment to pay annual dues to IABO. Tom Dozier stated that it should be voted on annually instead of making a long-term commitment. The motion passed unanimously to join IABO for one year as a corporate member and that it should be voted on from year to year.

- 7. There was no number 7 on the agenda.
- 8. Membership Report: President Plante reported that no chairs have been appointed to committees.
- 9. Annual Meeting Report- Phoenix: Past President Tom Dozier reported that we had good participation at the annual meeting and that some positive changes are taking place that are favorable for code officials.
- 10. Tom Polk's Resignation: President Plante reported that he had asked Secretary Bill Rodgers to double as treasurer until the June meeting, at which time a treasurer will be nominated and elected. He stated that this is in accordance with the bylaws. Alan Boswell has been appointed by COAA to replace Tom Polk as director until the June meeting.
- 11. ICC Report: Tom Allen gave the ICC Report for Bob Boyer, who had stepped out of the room.

a) The call center is coming back. You will now talk to a person when you call ICC.

b) Full day of chapter training will become available again starting this summer.c) Code of Honors scholarships are available. 94 people qualified last year. Mr. Allen encouraged applying to aid with expenses to attend code hearings.

d) ICC Member Councils are available for membership. Go to ICC website for details.

12. New Business:

a) Announce Region IX Treasurer for 2012: Will be announced at June meeting.
b) Region IX 2012 meeting schedule was presented by President Plante: January 27- Tallahassee Building Dept., March 30- Conference call, June 4- Orlando, Fl., July 27- Conference call, October 21-24- at the ICC Annual Conf. in Portland, Or. c) An open discussion was held about the proposed ICC bylaw change for sectional voting. Members expressed pros and cons. No motion was made to either support or oppose sectional voting.

d) Open Discussion on <u>Region IX website</u>: President Plante suggested we discuss this during our March 30 conference call meeting.

## Announcements

- Alan Boswell invited everyone to the COAA annual meeting the week of May 21 in Guntersville Alabama.
- Paul Antoine announced that his term on the Region IX board expires this year. He expressed his pleasure with having served and stated that he would continue to serve as needed. He also announced that he will be serving on an ICC committee to study the feasibility of remote voting as related to the code development process.
- Immediate Past President Tom Dozier recognized Mr. Antoine for being the first Region IX President and thanked him for his service to the Region.

The meeting adjourned at 11:26 AM.