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2005 OFFICERS: Patricia Kutzmann, President;
Dennis Corbett, Vice-President; Tom Whisler, Secretary;
Larry Ford, Treasurer; Brent Hipsher, Immediate Past-President

MINUTES Meeting of April 6, 2005

- 1 CALL TO ORDER
 - .01 The meeting was called to order at 10:15 by Secretary Tom Whisler. Self introductions followed. Twenty-two members were present.

- 2 CHAPTER BUSINESS
 - .01 Minutes from the last meeting -
Approval was postponed, as there were no copies of the February minutes to distribute.
 - .02 Old Business -
A vote to send "get well" flowers to President Patricia Kutzmann was approved.
 - .03 New Business -
No new business was introduced.
 - .04 Announcements -
Those present voted that Tom Shih's and Fred Cullum's membership status should change to "honorary".
 - .05 Treasurer's Report -
Approval was postponed, as the Treasurer was not in attendance.
 - .06 Code Discussion - (held until later.)

- 3 COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - .01 Code Changes -
John LaTorra distributed a matrix of the Peninsula, East Bay and Monterey Bay Chapters' ICC Code Proposals for 2004 - 2005. The results of the hearings and the chapters' positions were discussed. Deadline for public comment is June 16th. The committee will meet prior to the June Tri-Chapter meeting, where they will present their positions before the group. John suggested merging this committee with the Tri-Chapter Code Adoption and Interpretation Committee and actively work toward reducing amendments to the state code.

- .02 Legislative -
Sheila Lee talked about SB 516 which requires automatic fire sprinklers in R-2 Occupancies with six or less occupants. It would apply to new construction beginning 2007 and to existing structures beginning 2011. CALBO does not have a position on this bill. Discussion followed the additional cost: most thought it is a good idea. Also discussed was whether it should be a 13, 13D or 13R system. [Codes currently require a full 13 system.]
- .03 Special Inspection -
Sheila Lee reported that the Chapter will disband the committee. Discussion followed: This would cause confusion among the already recognized special inspection companies. Many felt that this is a necessary service, and that another way to continue this service should be found. The committee and the companies have both invested too much time, effort and money to not continue in some new form. Committee members have found it difficult to set aside the time necessary to research and qualify applicants. DSA and IES are checking into the availability of insurance for a new committee. Discussion continued about charging a fee for the investigation. Some thought Joint Venture/Silicon Valley may be able to apply political pressure to help continue the program. There are applications that are currently pending - what happens to those? Brent Hipsher and Dennis Corbett are the Peninsula Chapter's representatives; they will discuss this issue with other chapter representatives and report back to the Peninsula Chapter at its May meeting. A joint presentation will be made at the Tri-Chapter Annual Meeting in June. A reminder was given to all jurisdictions to remove the Tri-Chapter heading from the recognition list and to print the list on their letterhead, with the disclaimer.
- .04 Education -
no report.
- .05 Membership Services -
no report.
- .06 Resolutions -
no report.
- .07 Tri-Chapter Code Adoption and Interpretations -
A report of the initial meeting between the Bay Area jurisdictions and Joint Venture/Silicon Valley group was presented by Dennis Richardson. JV/SV is interested in the process of adopting the ICC codes at the state level. They are looking to keep the number of local code amendments to a minimum and that interpretations should be uniform throughout the Bay Area. Fred Herman and John LaTorra suggested that the JV/SV leadership group may team with CALBO to apply pressure to the state for adopting the ICC codes soon and with few state amendments. The Building Standards Commission will meet in May to discuss the adoption plan.

4 OTHER REPORTS

.01 ICC -

ICC and CALBO have agreed to provide certification training. They are looking for members for the development committee. Check with Sheila Lee or the CALBO website. A plan is expected in August. Minnesota is currently administering their state certifications. Future annual business meetings of ICC and IAPMO will not conflict - the 2006 ICC ABM will be in the Orlando/DisneyWorld area, and the 2007 ICC ABM will be at the Reno Hilton. For those attending the 2005 ABM in Detroit, John LaTorra has the sports schedules for that week. James Witt is working toward getting ICC adopted by the federal government. Phoenix AZ adopted the entire package. NFPA lawsuit on copyright infringement is going forward.

.02 CALBO -

The 2005 Annual Business Meeting in Yosemite was successful. Next year's ABM will be in the Palm Springs area. The Building Standards Commission voted to adopt the IRC and the IBC. CALBO is opening lines of communication with those who opposed the IBC/IRC. The next Board meeting will be at the California County Building Officials ABM in Tahoe. John LaTorra suggested each jurisdiction should refer to the IPC plumbing fixture count; it's the most current and offers "potty parity".

.03 International Evaluation Service -

Sheila Lee reported that IES is working on accreditation worldwide; check their website for current information.

.04 IA EI -

no report.

.05 IAS -

no report.

5 OTHER BUSINESS

No other business reported.

6 ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Whisler, Secretary