

MINUTES OF January 11, 2002 "Installation Dinner"

CALL TO ORDER (5:45 PM) President Paul Siegel called the January 11, 2002 meeting of the ICBO Napa-Solano Chapter to order at approximately 5:45. With approximately 80 members and their guests, this installation dinner was held at the Legends and Heroes Banquet facilities at the Paradise Valley Golf Course in Fairfield. Outgoing President, Paul Siegel, was the Master of Ceremonies for this event. Paul thanked the board members for all their help and was pleased with this past year's activities. Paul acknowledged the fact that this past year the board lowered the dinner fees, which in turn has helped with the increased attendance. Special thanks, along with a dinner certificate, was given to Harvey Higgs and Richard Tash for all their hard work with the educational committee. Harvey was instrumental with our chapter being able to donate \$1,000 to the New York City Twin Towers Orphan fund of September 11, 2001. A sincere Thank-You was given to our on going treasurer Tom Garcia. With all his continual support and help, Paul presented, Tom with a dinner certificate to the Buckhorn Restaurant in Winters.

Our guest speaker was John LaTorra, our Chapter's liaison to ICBO. John is the Building Official for Redwood City. As John is working with code development, he highlighted the fact that ICBO is working very hard to establish International Code Council, and he is working with the California chapters to help with their involvement in these changes that will affect us all in the building world. John commented on how our Napa-Solano Chapter has a special uniqueness and was well-known throughout CA as well as other states. Our thanks to John and his wife for attending tonight.

John installed the following members: President, David Cliché; Vice-President, Chuck Pratt; Secretary, Deborah Rich and Thomas Garcia as Treasurer.

David gave a brief acceptance speech in which he thanked all chapter members for supporting him. One of his goals for this year will be to focus on educational opportunities for the chapter.

ADJOURNMENT: (7:55 PM)

ATTENTION: THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE RANCHO SOLANO CLUB HOUSE. CHECK THE WEB PAGE FOR DETAILS AND DIRECTIONS.

There was a motion to adjourn and a second. President David Cliché adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Rich

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2002

CALL TO ORDER (5:55 PM)

President David Cliché called the February 6, 2000 meeting of the I.C.B.O. Napa-Solano Chapter to order at 5:55 P.M.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: All Officers were present;

President: David Cliché, City of Vacaville

Vice President: Chuck Pratt, Solano County

Secretary: Deborah Rich, Napa County

Treasurer: Tomas Garcia, City of Fairfield

INTRODUCTIONS:

Self-introductions of all dinner attendees were made. Terry Little, Senior Inspector of Solano County was introduced as the new Building Official of Shasta County. She will be greatly missed by her peers. "Congratulations with your new job Terry and have fun".

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Minutes of the February 6, 2002 installation dinner meeting were approved with just one amendment. David Cliché made a motion to amendment November minutes that stated that he was working for the City of Dixon when in fact he is working for the City of Vacaville. Motion was approved.

BREAK FOR DINNER: (6:00 PM)

RECONVENE: (6:35 PM)

David explained that a speaker wasn't scheduled for this evening so we could focus on feed back from the members on what they would like to see and hear for this years topics and speakers. Trying to keep everyone informed and educated will be our main focus this year. It was opened to the members to bring up topics. Excellent ideas were discussed for speakers, such as; fire penetration problems, new products dealing with electrical, mechanical, plumbing and framing products that we are seeing out in the field, learning how to work with computers and different links. Tips from how our 12 jurisdictions, in our chapter, are dealing with different issues that arise within our departments and how they are resolved, were suggested as well. So we can all be more consistent and informed within our areas is our goal.. A suggestion was made that it would be nice if the different handouts that each office offers to the public could be brought in to look at, compared and helped to update. Speakers from other outside agencies that we deal with would be very instrumental in learning what or how we could do to expertise projects. Examples of departments such as the fire department on how they inspect sprinklers and environmental department issues dealing with molds were mentioned.

It was encouraged to go onto our web site (www.napasolanoicbo.org) or pick up a form that was there at the meeting, to fill out the "Request Form for Topics". If you haven't already done so, click on LINKS located at the top of the Home Page to see the many sites that are offered to get into. It was mentioned that many outside chapters enjoy going into our web site. Suggestions are welcome for additional items to be added to the

site, as well as items not needed. The web site is updated on a regular basis and has a number of items and links. You'll benefit if you utilize these programs that we already have on our web page. If anyone is having trouble with the site just give Chuck or Deborah a call and they can help. Feel free to email Deborah at drich@co.napa.ca.us .

David discussed that he was sent a draft of the NFPA 5000 Building Code that was mailed out to all the jurisdictions for the city managers to read for code change. At the meeting in last November in Sacramento, just four people representing the building industry, including himself and Tom Garcia, were present. The room was packed with Fire Marshals from all over the state. The NFPA committees are trying to push through various code changes that are part of the building code. Requirements dealing with more automatic sprinklers in residential were one code change that NFPA wants to pass. Dave also brought to our attention that NFPA would vote in March. NFPA is falsely representing to the state that the building industry and their city managers have their backing. Bruce Gunn, Reggie Meigs, and Paul Siegel as well Tom Garcia had some very good informative information and comments about meetings that they have attended concerning this matter. Bruce will be attending CALBO meeting next month. and will keep us informed of any developments. It was stressed that we need to be supportive of the ICC codes.

For those of us that are not too informed on what is going on with the proposal, you can go to our web page and read the excellent article that Sara Yetes wrote, "Sorting Fact from Fiction about ICC-NFPA". Also go to the ICC web site (a link from our site) or Deborah can copy and email to you if who don't have Internet access.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Education Committee:

Harvey Higgs announced 2 upcoming seminars:

'ACCESSIBILITY & TITLE 24' – Tuesday, March 19,2002.Registration due by March 8,2002.

Michael Gibbens has over 14 years of experience in the field of access compliance. Author of the California Disabled Accessibility Guidebook, this guide is considered a benchmark by architects and government agencies. This seminar will offer a chance to learn from and have questions answered by one of the leading authorities on Access Compliance.

'CONVENTIONAL CONSTRUCTION'-Wednesday, March 20,2002. Registration due by March 8, 2002.

This is an AM or PM seminar. This half-day seminar will encourage use of conventional construction and offer guidance, which comply with the UBC.

Jim Hodges has been in design, construction and plan review for over 20 years.

Reggie Meigs has almost 30 years in building safety. During his career he has been both inspector and building official for various municipalities.

Both speakers are employed with Berryman and Henigar.

Don't miss these seminars...they both will be well worth your time and money

Registration and fees

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ADJOURNMENT: (7:55 PM)

There was a motion to adjourn and a 2nd. President David Cliché adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Rich

Secretary

MINUTES OF MARCH 6, 2002

CALL TO ORDER (5:55 PM)

Vice President Chuck Pratt called the March 6, 2002 meeting of the I.C.B.O. Napa-Solano Chapter to order at 5: 55 P.M. President David Cliché was absent due to a family illness.

BREAK FOR DINNER: 6:00

RECONVENE: (6:30)

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

President: David Cliché, City of Vacaville –absent
Vice President: Chuck Pratt, Solano County- present
Secretary: Deborah Rich, Napa County-present
Treasurer: Tomas Garcia, City of Fairfield-present

INTRODUCTIONS:

Self-introductions of all dinner attendees and guests were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of February 6,2002 were approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

A warm welcome was given to our new members. One new member being Bill Martindale has been the past President of CALBO and has been an inspector for many years.

SPEAKER INTRODUCTIONS:

Vice President Chuck Pratt introduced the speaker Jon Julness of Vanguard Products, ADA Systems of America.

SPEAKER PRESENTATION:

Jon spoke on Vanguard detectable warning products. These products can be either visual or “detectable warning” such as truncated dome products. Detectable warnings are defined in Title 24 as truncated domes. They are required by California State Building Code and are to be placed at various ways per code. The detectable warning is a unique and standardized surface intended to function much like a stop sign to alert pedestrians to the presence of hazards in the line of travel. It has been demonstrated that detectable warnings complying with existing ADAAG (Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines) can provide an effective stop signal for these persons. ADAAG, Section 4.29, requires “Detectable Warnings on Walking Surfaces,” which are required by other ADAAG sections, to “contrast visually with adjoining surfaces, either light-on-dark or dark-on-light.”

These warnings are required at:

hazardous vehicular areas (sec. 4.29.5)

and may be used as the “protection” required at the edges of reflecting pools (sec. 4.29.6)

curb ramps (full width and depth of the ramp) (sec 4.7.7)

Jon went on to explain various ways his product was applied and used. A manual and disc was handed out to the members on Vanguard Products. To find out more about these products and services visit there website at: www.vanguardonline.com.

Our next ICBO meeting will be April 3,2002 at Paradise Valley Golf Club. Our guest speaker will be Randy Collins and Bill Schwartz of Osborne Company. Their topic will be WIRSBO PEX, polyethylene tubing, and its application for potable plumbing, fire sprinklers, and radiant heating.

ADJOURNMENT: (7:55 PM)

There was a motion to adjourn and a second. Vice President Chuck Pratt adjourned the meeting at 7:55PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Rich
Secretary

MINUTES OF April 3, 2002

CALL TO ORDER (5:55 PM) President David Cliché called the April 3, 2002 meeting of the ICBO Napa-Solano Chapter to order at 5:55 PM.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: All Officers were present;
President: David Cliché, City of Vacaville-present
Vice President: Chuck Pratt, Solano County-present
Secretary: Deborah Rich, Napa County-present
Treasurer: Tom Garcia, City of Fairfield-present

INTRODUCTIONS: Self-introductions of all dinner attendees were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of March 6, 2002 were approved.

BREAK FOR DINNER; 6:00 PM

RECONVENE: (6:35PM)

SPEAKER INTRODUCTIONS: Vice President Chuck Pratt introduced the speakers for the evening, Randy Collins and Bill Schwartz of the Osborne Company. Their subject will be Wirsbo AQUAPEX (polyethylene tubing) plumbing system.

SPEAKER PRESENTATION: Randy informed us that the AQUAPEX plumbing system consists of AQUAPEX tubing, ProPEX fittings and additional components supplied by Wirsbo Company. AQUAPEX tubing is manufactured through the Engel Method, which changes high-density polyethylene to a PEX product. Due to this product being resistant to temperature, pressure and is chemical resistance, it has been used in plumbing systems around the world for nearly 30 years. He compared the installation process being faster and safer to install. Where used as potable water, it has been proven non-toxic and free of harmful lead and other metal ions. The flexible tubing eliminates water hammer and sound. Systems used with PEX were developed in 1968 for radiant floor heating. The first United States approval was in the state of Maine in 1990. Fort Bragg was the first jurisdiction in California, to approve its use due to Type M Copper was very difficult with their pH water content. Suggestive usage of PEX tubing has been used in;

Potable hot & cold water distribution
Water service
Hydronic radiant floor, ceiling connections
Fire protection systems

It was demonstrated how the product if kinked, would go back to its original shape when heat is applied. It was described as "plastic with memory". If the tubing is kinked enough to result in an obstruction of flow, repairs can be easily repaired with heat. Plumbers would be instructed on the installment of this product. PEX has not been adopted by code, but local Building Officials can choose to use as an alternate material if they choose.

NEW BUSINESS: Tom Garcia encouraged the Building Officials to get their City Managers informed of the proposed code changes due to the impact it may cost the city. Bruce, Reggie and David Cliché also spoke on the concerns that we should have with these changes going on. They encouraged all the Building Officials to get involved. Where CALBO has worked so hard in bringing some uniformity to the CA code, NFPA wants their own change. NFPA are informing the governor that the BO and city managers are going along with this purposed change while the majority really isn't even aware of what is going on. Unfortunately ICBO has been slack in jumping in and getting involved and it may now it's almost too late to be heard. Tom and David Cliché encouraged everyone to keep updated on these changes because they WILL effect how we will be doing things in the near future. More can be read on ICC web site linked through ours, www.napasolanoicbo.org.

NEW BUSINESS: Harvey Higgs made a motion that we send Bruce Gunn to represent our Chapter to the ICC-Code Development Meeting in Pittsburgh this month. A motion was made for our chapter to apply for ICC membership. Dave DeLong suggested that we wait until Bruce Gunn comes back from the ICC-Code Development meeting to review. That was seconded.

ADJOURNMENT: (7:55 PM) There was a motion to adjourn and then a second. Present David Cliché adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Rich
Secretary

MINUTES OF MAY 1, 2002

CALL TO ORDER (5:55 PM) President David Cliché called the May 1, 2002 meeting of the I.C.B.O. Napa-Solana Chapter to order.

BREAK FOR DINNER (6:00)

RECONVENE: (6:30)

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

President: David Cliché, City of Vacaville-present

Vice President: Chuck Pratt, Solana County-present

Secretary: Deborah Rich, Napa County-absent

Treasure: Tom Garcia, City of Fairfield

INTRODUCTIONS: Self-introductions of all dinner attendees and guests were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of April will be approved at our next ICBO June 5, 2002 meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Bruce Gunn gave a brief, but very thorough description of the two day Development Code meeting that he attended in Pittsburgh. This was a meeting that consisted of the new ICC board members and CEOs from the model code groups. He encouraged everyone to check out the web site of Watson Wyatt ICC Integration Plan, www.intlcode.org. This is a company that is helping with this code change. Bruce also mentioned that this would be the first time that we could vote and elect board of directors in September and stressed how important it is to elect the best people for our interest. The members now were appointed basically like the "Buddy system", not voted in. The people that were really the most marketable for those positions that weren't appointed just may move on to NFPA. If this happens, then ICBO will cease to exist. There will be changes that will help and hinder the organization in the future. Any activity that we can create by attending meetings or the Internet please do so, we need to research what is being purposed with this code change.

SPEAKER INTRODUCTIONS: Vice President Chuck Pratt introduced our speaker, Steven Gillmas from the SRC Distributor speaking about unliners repair systems.

OLD BUSINESS: David Cliché spoke to Dan Lawson concerning ICC membership. We as an ICBO chapter in good standing, will automatically turn over to ICC. We just need to fill out a few forms.

NEW BUSINESS: David Cliché encouraged whoever can attend to try to attend the May 2nd Building Standards meeting. Sheila Leas sent David a letter concerning CALBO reorganizing structure. This will be discussed in the next newsletter. David announced that he will be helping Harvey with the Education Committee, along with Richard Tash, and the Seminars. They would like any input for seminars from the members.

ADJOURNMENT: (7:55 PM) There was a motion to adjourn and then a second. Present David Cliché adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Rich
Secretary

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2002

CALL TO ORDER (6:00 PM) President David Cliché called the September 4, 2002 meeting of the I.C.B.O. Napa-Solano Chapter to order.

BREAK FOR DINNER (6:05) *Special Announcement*...President David Cliché announced to all the members present that Vice President Chuck Pratt, Solano County, would not be attending the chapter meetings. Chuck had major surgery for colon cancer and was going through extensive chemotherapy that would prevent him from being actively involved in the chapter. Also Deborah Rich, Napa County as you all know took the Building Official position for the City of Williams, and resigned as the Chapter Secretary. Jose Jaimes, City of Davis, has graciously accepted to serve out the year in her place.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

President: David Cliché, City of Vacaville – present
Vice President: Chuck Pratt (see special announcement)
Secretary: Jose Jaimes - present (see special announcement)
Treasure: Tom Garcia, City of Fairfield – present

INTRODUCTIONS: Self-introductions of all dinner attendees and guest were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of June 5, 2002 meeting were tabled until the October chapter meeting....as of this September meeting they were not available for review.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: President David Cliché thanked everyone that attended the Chapter annual picnic held in August, and gave special thanks to the cooks and to Tom Garcia for his assistance in organizing the special activities and Volleyball tournament. David also mentioned that he was having the plaque engraved with the names of the two cities that will be sharing the Trophy...City of Davis and City of Vacaville. He mentioned also that it took members from both jurisdictions to make up a team. The city of Fairfield, Benicia and many sons and daughters of it made up the other team. Fun was had by all.

SPEAKER INTRODUCTIONS: President David Cliché introduced our speakers Mike Wagner and Dan Wells from Simpson Strong Tie Co. A very informative presentation, it was also learned that Simpson Strong Tie Co. is in the process of moving to the City of Stockton, and their San Leandro facility will be used only for ware housing.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business

NEW BUSINESS: President David Cliché requested that we should be thinking about next years slate of officers, specially having to fill the newly vacated position of Vice President. He has agreed to consider to serve for one more year as the chapter president, Jose Jaimes will accept the secretary position for next

year. President Cliché also mentioned that John La Torra, ICBO board member has contacted him and has offered to be the installing officer, during our officer installation dinner in January. John also said to David Cliché that he should inform the chapter members about giving some thought about changing the name reference "ICBO" since there will no longer be an ICBO organization after February 2003, but rather the ICC. There will be more discussion in the October meeting about this issue.

There was discussion as to who would be attending the Annual Conference, it seemed that Bruce Gunn, City of Napa, would be a good candidate, however someone in the audience mentioned that Bruce was already attending and paying his own way there. This was also left open for more discussion in our next months meeting.

Under committee reports, Harvey Higgs, City of Benicia announced that there was a rather light response for signups for the upcoming September 10, seminar on wood & the 1997 & 2001 NDS Requirements. Harvey did say that the September 18, and 19 Electrical Seminar was being well received and he is getting many applications for this classes, specially since its being offered on two days to allow jurisdictions to allow their staff attend half one day and half the next day.

Paul Siegel, City of Dixon, suggested to the chapter member present that we should have flowers, potted plant or something sent to Chuck Pratt. It was decided that a plaque would be more appropriate and that it could be presented to him during the Officer installation dinner, President David Cliché offered to look into obtaining one.

INSPECTOR'S TIME: Harvey Higgs asked the question as to when would a cricket be required if the fireplace chimney passing through a roof is excessively wide. The question was what would be considered excessively wide, Harvey to research and report back.

ADJOURNMENT: (7:30PM) There was a motion to adjourn and then a second. President David Cliché adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jose Jaimes
Secretary

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 2, 2002

CALL TO ORDER (5:55 PM) President David Cliché called the October 2, 2002 meeting of the I.C.B.O. Napa-Solano Chapter to order.

Special Announcement... President David Cliché announced that Bruce Gunn, city of Napa was at the annual ICC conference. He also mentioned that our next months guest speaker would be the assistant state of California attorney general. There is no meeting in December, then the officers installation dinner in January, with John La Torra performing the last ICBO officers installation...actual date has not been determined yet, more discussion on this in the November meeting. In February we have Carl Vega from the State Contractors Board, and the rest of the year is pretty much open.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

President: David Cliché, City of Vacaville – present

Vice President: Chuck Pratt (David Cliché mentioned that Chuck no longer coming) so this position is vacant until tonight when election of new officers is held.

Secretary: Jose Jaimes - present

Treasure: Tom Garcia, City of Fairfield – present

INTRODUCTIONS: Self-introductions of all dinner attendees and guest.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of September 4, 2002 meeting were approved as sent.

BREAK FOR DINNER (6:15 PM)

ANNOUNCEMENTS: President David Cliché reconvened the meeting and turned the meeting over to Tom Garcia for a special announcement. Tom wanted to know as to how many jurisdictions had taken the time to review the new codes and saw where the fee's schedules were not part of the new codes. Each city would have to calculate their fees schedules, so that they fall within the requirements of the state regulations however he suggested that there is a consultant firm that would set-up these schedules for a fee. He suggested that rather than each jurisdiction paying to have a fee schedule calculated that possibly all chapter member jurisdictions could pay one fee and they all could share the fee schedule study. Tom suggested to give it some thought and that more discussion should be had at the November meeting. Tom mentioned also that annual dues were soon coming up and it was suggested that possibly having the annual dues lowered to \$20.00, and then include the cost of the dinner (\$10.00 per meeting), with approximately nine meetings per year, that would add up to about \$110.00 a year per member. It is easier to justify the annual dues in the budgets if the dinner cost is included and the chapter would not have to absorb some of the dinner cost when persons do not show up for the meetings. There was some discussion and the matter was tabled until the next meeting.

NOMINATIONS FOR NEXT YEAR OFFICERS: President David Cliché opened the floor for nominations for next years slate of officers; For Secretary Jose Jaimes, City of Davis, Vice President Michael Hollenbeck, City of Vallejo, President David Cliché, City of Vacaville and Treasurer Tom Garcia, City of Fairfield. With no further nominations from the floor the nominations where closed and there will be elections in November.

SPEAKER INTRODUCTIONS: Jose Jaimes Chapter Secretary introduced our guest speaker Mr. Ira Schumer from (CISPI) Cast Iron and Soil Pipe Institute. A very informative presentation on cast iron pipe and the history of the material and its various uses in the plumbing industry, the chapter thanked Mr. Schumer for his time and great presentation.

OLD BUSINESS: President David Cliché made a presentation of the Volleyball trophy to Jose Jaimes, representative from the City of Davis, and informed everyone that this trophy had to be shared between Davis, and Vacaville since it took members from both cities to make up a team. Davis would hold the trophy until June of 2003 then Vacaville would have it the rest of the year, it was mentioned also that pictures from the August picnic were available for viewing on the Chapters Web page.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Education committee Chairman Harvey Higgs, City of Benicia announced that the electrical seminars went well, however there was a rather light turn out. President David Cliché asked Harvey if he would serve as education chairman for another year and that he would take it over next year after the end of his second term as President for the chapter, Harvey graciously accepted.

INSPECTOR'S TIME: Harvey Higgs, City of Benicia reported on the question that he brought up on the cricket requirement for large fireplaces where they pass through a roof, he mentioned that there was not much said in any of the codes regarding this issue. Jose Jaimes, City of Davis reported on his attendance to a workshop for "SWPPP" that was held in Sacramento on September 12th, he mentioned that it was very informative and if those jurisdictions that were not aware of the requirements that the handout passed out did include some contact persons and phone numbers. Jose will try to have someone from the State of California Regional Water Board attend one of our chapter meetings and give us a short run down on their requirements.

ADJOURNMENT: (8:10PM) There was a motion to adjourn and then a second. President David Cliché adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jose Jaimes
Secretary

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 6, 2002

CALL TO ORDER (5:55 PM)

President David Cliché called the November 6, 2002 meeting of the Napa/Solano ICBO Chapter to order at 5:55 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: President David Cliché, Interim Vice-President Michael Hollenbeck, and Treasurer Tom Garcia were present. Vice-President Chuck Pratt and Secretary Jose Jaimes were absent for the evening.

SELF-INTRODUCTIONS: (6:00 PM)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes of the October meeting were approved.

NEW BUSINESS: President, David Cliché announced that he had received a letter from the ICC board providing instruction on how to roll our ICBO membership into an ICC membership. The body of the membership voiced concern regarding the proposed ICC membership, so a special meeting has been called for the month of December for all Building Officials in our Chapter to meet and voice all concerns. John LaTorra has sent a letter to the chapter letting us know that ICBO, BOCA and SBCCI were at a recent annual business meeting and have voted to combine the three organizations into one, the ICC (International Code Council), and will transfer all assets to the ICC. The closing of this merger will take place in January of 2003. As of December 31, 2002 ICBO will cease to exist. The ICC has requested that we send in our final paper work to be approved as an ICC chapter prior to their December meeting so that we may become an ICC chapter prior to ICBO finalizing the transfer to ICC. The paper work will be forwarded to ICC after the Napa/Solano ICBO meeting of the building officials if so voted.

Sheila Lee from CALBO sent the chapter a letter regretting that she would not be able to attend this evening's meeting and presented a summation League of City's meeting in Long Beach, California. She went on to state that the CALBO education week in October was very successful and the head count was greater than the year prior.

CBSC meeting in October, many people showed up to voice their opinion on the model codes being proposed for the 2004 code cycle, including the NFPA 5000. The CBSC would like a final vote on which codes to consider during their May 2003 meeting.

Tom Garcia stated that he had received a letter from Terry Knotts who he had met with the State Fire Marshall. After several hours of conversation between Terry and the Fire Marshall, it sounded like he was not completely convinced whether the NFPA 5000 or the "I" codes is the one to follow. They are now trying to set up a process for reviewing both codes. Tom stated that any support that we can give CALBO at this time in support of the "I" codes is something that we should be doing.

Tom Garcia reviewed some new ideas for membership fees. One option was to pay an annual membership fee of \$110.00, which would combine the annual membership fee with the dinner fee, or continue to pay a \$40.00 annual membership fee and the \$10 dinner fee as you attend each meeting. Either option is open to the members for the following years membership dues. Tom also reviewed the treasures financial report.

BREAK FOR DINNER: (6:30 PM)

RECONVENE: (7:00 PM)

SPEAKER INTRODUCTIONS: President David Cliché introduced Alberto Gonzales and Louis Verdugo Jr., Special Assistants to the State Attorney General who will be speaking to us on the Enforcement of California's Disabled Law's and Regulations.

SPEAKER PRESENTATION: Alberto and Louis commented on the letter that was sent to all of the jurisdictions in the State of California regarding the responsibility of the jurisdictions to enforce the California Title 24 regulations. The letter, as stated by Alberto, is a statement that the enforcement of the accessibility requirements is the responsibility of the jurisdiction, and those jurisdictions that are not actively enforcing these requirements could face legal ramifications from the State Attorney General's office.

The formation of this letter was due to all of the law suites the state was receiving from citizens for non-enforcement of the accessibility requirements from the jurisdictions. The state received many responses to this letter from jurisdictions already actively enforcing the accessibility requirements asking why the criticism from the state. The state responded to these jurisdictions by saying that they are not criticizing or actively seeking litigation on those cities and counties that are already enforcing the Title 24 requirements. It was through the responses to this letter that the state found that there are many jurisdictions in the state that are not even attempting to enforce the accessibility requirements and these are the individuals that the state is focused on. There are many jurisdictions that stated they do not know, or have not been trained in Title 24, or simply say that they do not have the time to check for Title 24 requirements.

These accessibility requirements are not just codes but are civil rights statutes. The state is the enforcer of these regulations and sees the jurisdictions as the first line of enforcement. It is the responsibility of the state to monitor jurisdictions that are not attempting to comply with the requirements of Title 24. The state is trying to find out if each jurisdiction has a procedure in place to respond to the complaints and enforcement of the accessibility requirements. After finding those jurisdictions that do not comply, the states first mode of action is to meet with the jurisdiction, the building official, city manager or county representatives, to begin the education process of why these regulations are to be enforced. If then it is the jurisdictions response to not enforce the requirements, it is then that the state will pursue legal action against the jurisdiction. Many of the responses from those jurisdictions that are not currently enforcing the requirements, is that they just do not have the resources to implement a procedure for enforcement. The response from the state is to allocate those resources necessary for the enforcement of the accessibility requirements, or those jurisdictions will face legal proceedings not only from the public, but also from the state.

A question from the membership was posed; what is our authority after we have planned checked and inspected a structure, and have passed it for compliance to the accessibility requirements for the code at that time? Do we now have to provide a maintenance inspection to assure that the requirements meet all current codes thereafter? Mr. Gonzales responded that it is not our responsibility to conduct maintenance inspections after final, but if a complaint is filed with the jurisdiction, there needs to be a process in place to conduct an inspection and educate the public about

their responsibilities as property owners, designers and tenants. If at that time the jurisdiction finds a violation, the process needs to also include the enforcement of correcting the violation.

Jurisdictions that have a procedure in place or are trying their best to respond to complaints, and are enforcing the accessibility requirements are not the jurisdictions that the state will recommend for review by the State Attorney General's office. It is the jurisdictions that do not respond to the complaints filed in their jurisdiction that could be open to litigation by the public and the state and it is up to the city or county representatives to provide the resources to the building division to address these complaints.

Dan Kasperson, from the City of Suisun, asked if any of the local jurisdictions currently have a process to address these complaints. President David Cliché responded stating that the City of Vacaville currently has a process implemented. Dan has requested that the City of Vacaville present this process at the February meeting and Vacaville has accepted.

OLD BUSINESS: None

CONTINUATION OF NEW BUSINESS: President David Cliché announced that he would like to inject new enthusiasm into the chapter, and one way to start is to bring back to each meeting a code question for the evening, or discuss a code issue that a jurisdiction may have run into. A suggestion is to contact Paul Siegel prior to the meeting and have him post the question on the Napa/Solano chapter web site so that everyone has a chance to review the question, or comment, prior to the meeting.

INSPECTOR TIME: (None)

INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES: (None)

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Harvey Higgs is setting up our first seminar in April for the new ATC 20 training. Anyone who currently holds an ATC 20 card, and has not expired yet, these cards are no longer good. Everyone who wishes to be ATC 20 trained will need to attend this seminar. CALBO will hold the training at the City of Vacaville, Ulatis Cultural Center, on April 8, 2003.

CORRESPONDENCE:

ELECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR OFFICERS: Nominations are as follows: Jose Jaimes as Secretary, Michael Hollenbeck as Vice-President, David Cliché as President, and Tom Garcia as Treasurer. President David Cliché asked if there were any other nominations for these offices. David provided an explanation of why Chuck Pratt has not been present at our meetings, and why he would not hold an office in the near future. Chuck has recently been diagnosed with colon cancer and has been receiving treatments. He has requested that he not be considered for any office next year.

Harvey Higgs made a motion to close the nominations as stated, and a second by the membership. A vote to close the nominations was unanimous and a motion to sustain the officers as stated was made and seconded. The vote for installation of officers for the year of 2003 was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: (8:05 PM)

There was a motion to adjourn and a second. President David Cliché adjourned the meeting at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David Cliché