



Fire Prevention Officer's Section

**Joint Executive Board  
Meeting of March 9, 2008**

**Time: 1500 Hours**

**CFPI Annual Workshop  
Buellton, CA**

**A. ROLL CALL**

A-1 SOCAL President Kraus called the meeting to order at 15:05. In attendance were: North-President Darren Drake, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Morgana Yahnke, 2nd VP Scott Alber, Secretary George Apple, Treasurer Lorin Neyer, Judge Advocate Angela Giuliani; South-President Ken Kraus, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Robert Nolan, Treasurer Doug Dupree, Secretary Jill Perumean, Director of Operations Ian MacDonald, Judge Advocate Ken Quick.

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

B-1 None

**C. OPEN TIME FOR MEMBER EXPRESSION**

C-1 No members present

**D. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

D-1 SOCAL President Kraus indicated he received a CD from ICC with chapter information, and policies and procedures.

D-2 IFMA has extended an invitation for each president to attend the Las Vegas meeting, to be held 6/1 & 6/2/08. On a related note, IFMA benefits include an NFPA training day; they pay for an instructor and we keep the profits for the class. Each chapter can get a class.

D-3 Community Building Code Administration Grant Act-Joint letter from us or Cal-Chiefs (see F-4).

**E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

E-1 ICC Code Adoption Hearing Training-This training would be for people who want to get involved, and include information on the nuances of getting heard, etc. Darren Drake indicated that he would bring it up at the de-briefing on Friday morning.

ICC asked us (Ken Kraus) to staff their booth here at the workshop. A discussion ensued regarding ICC staffing of the booth. Ken Kraus indicated that he would staff it as much as his commitment to other duties allowed.

E-2 Inspector Guides-They have been printed-Darren Drake indicated that he has 200 copies with him for sale at the workshop. Mallory is ordering 500. We have a signed licensing agreement w/ICC and will be charging \$13 ea; we have ordered 3000. Mallory does it all now...we will just give the membership Mallory's information via a link on the web site.

There was a discussion on cost/revenue sharing. The South is to get \$2.00 per copy. It was decided to do an annual accounting once a year here at the workshop.

Ian MacDonald suggested a new topic for the guide-permit inspection information as a new section.

E-3 T-19/NFPA 25 Ad-hoc Committee-LAAFM hosted a forum on this topic. Robert Nolan was approached by OSFM and NFPA for FPOs to be a vehicle for review.

Looking for group with committees to host a 2-day forum held outside of monthly meetings. The meetings would be 2 days-one North and one South with NFPA, OSFM, and sprinkler contractor to discuss how to make the standard better, identify problems, etc. Training would be monitored by the ad-hoc committee. Ben Ho of SFM and Robert Nolan want recommendations from the group on training and class venues.

E-4 Balanced Fire Protection Committee-NASFM, others have bowed out-Laura Blaul wants to keep participating-short term goals were three submittals, which didn't go anywhere. Are we tying ourselves up by participating in BFP, and not submitting our code change proposals? Laura will still get our support as tech expert, etc. We will participate in the code process.

## **F. NEW BUSINESS**

- F-1 2008 Fire Marshal Training Certification Standards-The OSFM is looking for our input. Morgana Yahnke will meet with Chief Richwine to discuss.
- F-2 Committee and Board Composition & Recruiting-The South needs a fire code committee. Lorin Neyer mentioned that the North's four co-chairs have to call one from the South. We need to open up communication re: code hearings. South is to work on forming a committee.
- F-3 Legislation on Scrap Dealers-Due to the high cost of copper, brass fittings are being stolen and sold to scrap dealers. There was a discussion regarding the need for legislation limiting the selling of fire protection equipment. Darren Drake indicated that he would discuss this issue with Gene Gantt.
- F-4 IFMA & ICC Chapter-Benefits and Responsibilities- Darren Drake mentioned that ICC has been asking us for articles. Ian MacDonald and Lorin Neyer are working on an article. Chapter presidents get free Annual Business Meeting attendance. Governance Committee is working on different issues-Christina Jamisen was appointed to the committee. John LaTorra (Redwood City) is working on how to run a code hearing-too long of a day at the hearings.

## **G. BOARD MEMBER'S REPORT**

- G-1 Code Hearings-A meeting will be held on Friday with Christina Jamisen to do a de-briefing.
- G-2 There was a discussion regarding the web site in terms of its utility for holding committee discussions and/or editing position papers for code hearings. Ian MacDonald volunteered to pursue this with our Web-master.

## **H. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- H-1 There was a discussion of the results of the Cal-Chiefs strategic planning conference-Ken Kraus focused on code development. Our Section Liaison Chiefs Doug Williams and Mike Macy supported us well. Cal-chiefs made code development their No.1 priority.

There was a discussion on how to follow through with Cal-chiefs. A web document on what is involved in the code development process, how it works etc. (Morgana Yahnke was asked specifically about this by the chiefs). Darren Drake thought we should have a

canned program for fire chiefs boot camp put on in October by Cal-chiefs (Fresno).

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

1800 hours

Respectively Submitted,

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