

**VBCOA Board Meeting
September 22, 2019
Virginia Beach,
Virginia**

President Pete Mensinger called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Sergeant at Arms Mike Eutsey lead the pledge of allegiance.

A roll call of voting members present was conducted by Executive Director Sandra Harrington

Roll call

Pete Mensinger, President
James Moss, 1st Vice President
Matt Westheimer, 2nd Vice President
Mike Eutsey, Sergeant at Arms
Gregg Fields, Past President
Terry Atwell, Region I
John Broughton, Region II
Ron Schuett, Region III
Bob Orr, Region IV
Kyle Kratzer, Region V
Jason Laws, Region VI
Paul Messplay, Region VII
Kim Wingate-Harrell, VIII
Mike Williams, Awards and Resolutions
Patrick Hughes, Awards and Resolutions
Florin Moldovan, Building Code
Jason Laws, Residential Code
Michelle Coward, Membership
Deb McMahon, Permit Techs
Paula Fristoe, Permit Technicians
Earl Weaver, Prop. Maintenance
Allison Cook, Rehab Code
Sandy Harrington, Exec Director

Ad hoc Ex Officio and others

David Beahm, MFCC/VCEC
Lisa Berger, ICC
Kris Bridges, ICC
Jeff Brown, DHCD
Richard Burkard, Chesapeake
Darlene Cain, Emporia
Jim Collins, Ret. Prince Wm
Cat Cornwell, Warren County
Cindy Davis, DHCD/ICC
Richard Gordon, Hanover
Paul Hancher, IBTS
Angela Hilderbrand, Washington County
Brian Hilderbrand, Washington County
Christina Jackson, Norfolk
Clarence Jackson, New Kent County
Jacob Karson, ICC
Jacque Longmire, Warren County
Eric Mays, TRB/PR William
Johnathan Morr, Town of West Point
Sandi Morris, DHCD
Doug Murrow, IBTS
Randy Pearce, Emporia
Wendell Phillips, Alexandria
Eri Rice-Johnston, BCAAC
Mark Robinson, Warren County
Lynn Underwood, York County
Otis Vaughan, Halifax County
Dan Willham, Fairfax County
Rick Witt, Fire Code, TRB, VPMIA
Morgan Yates, Roanoke County

There was a motion to approve the minutes of the June 7 2019 Board of Directors meeting provided to Board members as part of the Board packet via email September 11, 2019, and provided at the meeting as part of the Final Board package, by Patrick Hughes and seconded by Terry Atwell, the motion was unanimously approved.

Presidents Report

President Mensinger distributed the Presidents report and provided a verbal report from the distributed report.

Region Chairs

First Vice President James Moss provided a report. In addition, he provided an update on items discussed during the Region Chairs meeting which was held just prior to the Board of Directors meeting, indicating the Region Chairs were in the process of completing final edits of the BOD job descriptions, to be included in the Annual Directory. These will be provided to the Past Presidents council for final review/comment.

Region Chairs

Region 1-Terry Atwell submitted a report

Region 2-John Broughton submitted a report

Region 3-Ron Schuett submitted a report

Region 4-Bob Orr submitted a report

Region 5-Debra McMahon submitted a report

Region 6-Jason Laws submitted a report.

Region 7- Paul Messplay submitted a report

Region 8- Kimberly Wingate-Harrell will sponsor the hospitality suite, they also presented a check to VBCOA from code update training

Time & Place

Matt Westheimer submitted a report, Mike Eutsey also indicated that the Mid Year meeting registration would be open soon.

Past Presidents

Immediate Past President Gregg Fields indicated that past presidents would be reviewing the recommendations from the Region Chairs related to the BOD job descriptions.

Old Business

Code Development Process Update

President Mensinger thanked everyone for their work with the Code Development Process.

ICC Board of Directors Endorsements

President Mensinger indicated he had some individuals reach out requesting endorsements for the ICC Board of Directors. Rick Witt motioned that a letter indicating VBCOA support for election to the officer positions be sent for Greg Wheeler, Cindy Davis, and Mike Wich as they are running unopposed. For all other candidates that we receive letters requesting support, a letter should be sent indicating our support for them to the ICC Nominations Committee as the this committee will vet the candidates and recommend a slate to the membership, Jason Laws

seconded the motion and was unanimously approved by the Board. Cindy Davis requested these letters be sent as soon as possible

New Business

Nominations- Honorary Membership

President Mensinger indicated he has received requests for 2 members to receive Honorary Membership, Bill Dupler and Rick Witt
Kris Bridges seconded, unanimously approved

Educational Scholarships

President Mensinger stated he wanted to rename the scholarships to the *Emory R Rodgers Scholarship*. Seconded by Gregg Fields, unanimously approved

Clark County, Nevada Code Hearings

President Mensinger reported the VBCOA scholarships for the ICC Code Hearings had been awarded and the ICC Conference and Code Hearings are coming up in October, hope to have a lot of VBCOA participation.

ICC International Sister Chapter Program

Lynn Underwood provided an overview of the ICC Sister Chapter Program. After discussion, it was agreed that VBCOA supports the concept. President Mensinger asked Mr. Underwood to be the main point of contact for the program in order to get it started. VBCOA will be the first ICC Chapter to join the program.

Committees and Other Reports

Ad hoc Administrative

Gregg Fields provided a report

Ad hoc High School Technical Training Program

Kyle Kratzer provided a report

Ad hoc Fire Code

Rick Witt provided a verbal report related to the Fire Code Edits Workgroup. During the last code development cycle all construction related requirements were removed in Fire Code Chapters 1 – 10 and the remaining chapters and we agreed at that time to work on the remaining chapters during the next code change cycle. Happy to report that we worked with the fire service and other stakeholders to agree on changes to fire Code Chapters 20 thru 37 with a few items in Chapter 27 to be resolved. These changes were adopted by the Board of Housing and Community Development (BHCD) for inclusion into the 2018 proposed regulations. We will continue to work on the remaining chapters and offer them to the BHCD during the final regulation stage. This was a huge success and due to cooperation with the fire service and in particular, Andrew Milliken, chairman of Fire Service Board Code Committee.

Supplemental barricade devices

The Board of Housing and Community Development has adopted code changes proposed by the

school safety sub-workgroup which placed requirements for Supplemental security devices (door barricade devices) in the main body of the code. This was a success for VBCOA, Virginia Department of Education, AIA, Virginia Tech and the Augusta County School System. The fire service representatives wanted these requirements in an appendix that would have to be adopted by each locality. This would start to develop a non-uniform code, would set-up conflicts with the code modification section of the VUSBC and also would remove the ability for a permit holder to appeals to a local Board of appeals or beyond. The Board rejected their proposal based on some of the reasons listed above

Ad hoc Military Families Career

David Beahm stated he had nothing to report

Ad hoc VCEC

David Beahm stated he had nothing to report

Awards and Resolutions

Patrick Hughes and Mike Williams submitted a report

Education

Richard Moore submitted a report (not present)

Energy Conservation

Ellen Eggerton did not submit a report and was not present

International Building Code

Florin Moldovan submitted a report

International Residential Code

Jason Laws submitted a report

Legislation

No report was submitted, on one was present

Membership

Michelle Coward submitted a report

Permit Technicians

Debra McMahon provided report

Plumbing/Mechanical Code

Richard Grace submitted a report (not present). David Beahm said VPMIA has put forward proposed code changes and Richard has reached out to have someone speak.

Property Maintenance

Earl Weaver submitted a report

Public Information

No report was submitted, and no one was present

Rehabilitation Code Committee

Allison Cook stated the proposal for the change of name of the committee (from Rehabilitation Code Committee to Existing Building Code Committee) will be voted on at the Annual Meeting on Monday.

Allison reported the Committee has multiple code change proposals for the ICC Annual Conference Group B Codes in October, the majority of the proposals were voted for approval at the Committee Action Hearings. In addition, the committee has reviewed several proposals for the Virginia 2018 Code changes. Most significantly, a proposal from Kenney Payne and Ron Clements to remove "retrofit" requirements to help further meet the mandate from the Existing Building Code was supported as consensus for approval.

Web Master

Jada Black submitted a report (not present)

BCAAC

Eric Rice-Johnston submitted a report

Director of Regulatory Compliance

Sean Farrell submitted a report (not present)

DPOR

Mike Redifer submitted a report (not present)

TRB

Eric Mays reported that the TRB has scheduled a Board Retreat in October to continue work on developing written Board Policies. Two important subjects they will be considering is implementing time limits during the Appeal Hearings and clarifying the definition of a timely appeal.

ICC Region 7

James Moss submitted a report

ICC

Kris Bridges submitted a report. Lisa Berger was introduced has joined the ICC Government Relations team. He also reminded people that ICC has a template for justification of training for supervisors and suggested that this letter be added to the VBCOA Website.

Kris reminded members of the upcoming proposed by laws change and stated that both he and Cindy Davis are in opposition to the by-law change; stressing to please vote the way members feel it should go. He indicated the by-law change would do away with at large and sections seats and just have Region seats, which could affect Virginia but reducing to only one per region.

Allison Cook stated the ICC Emerging Leaders Membership Council is looking into this and have

expressed concerns that someone not as qualified might end up on the ICC Board and they feel the at large at large ensures better candidates

Rick Witt made a motion, seconded by Matt Westheimer, that VBCOA oppose the by-law change, the motion was unanimously approved

DHCD

Jeff Brown submitted provided an updated report. Cindy Davis also reported that Executive order #43 was just released. "The Executive Order lays out Virginia's objectives for statewide energy production, which includes the goal that by 2030, 30 percent of Virginia's electric system will be powered by renewable energy resources and by 2050, 100 percent of Virginia's electricity will be produced from carbon-free sources such as wind, solar and nuclear."

Link to executive order 43:

<https://www.governor.virginia.gov/media/governorvirginiagov/executive-actions/EO-43-Expanding-Access-to-Clean-Energy-and-Growing-the-Clean-Energy-Jobs-of-the-Future.pdf>

She also mentioned executive order #24 which directed DHCD "to consult with relevant stakeholders and subject matter experts for the purpose of identifying and suggesting resilience-specific improvements to the Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC) for inclusion in the 2018 code update." DHCD formed a new Resiliency Subworkgroup that began meeting during the proposed phase and will continue meeting during the final phase to review the USBC and develop code change proposals to increase resiliency.

Link to executive order #24:

<https://www.governor.virginia.gov/media/governorvirginiagov/executive-actions/ED-24-Increasing-Virginias-Resilience-To-Sea-Level-Rise-And-Natural-Hazards.pdf>

She also highlighted significant changes that were approved to be included in the proposed 2018 regulations:

- Elevator testing. Adds a requirement for the name and certification number of the elevator mechanic performing the test to be included on the inspection report, when the test is being witnessed by a third-party inspector. (Also added to VMC)
- Sewer relining. Adds a new section for relining existing sewers and drains in the VRC and VPC. Adds references to ASTM F1871 and F1504 for specifications.
- Impervious surface slope. Decreases the minimum required slope of impervious sidewalks, patios, driveways and landings adjacent to houses from 2% to 1%.
- Trampoline parks. Adds trampoline courts as regulated amusement devices. References ASTM F2970 Standard for the design, manufacture, installation, operation, maintenance, inspection and major modification of trampoline courts.

Fire Marshal

Steven Sites submitted a report (not present)

Nominations

Gregg Fields indicated they will be doing the interviews at 3:30 p.m., he stated that there were five candidates for Sergeant at Arms, all great candidates.

VPMIA

Next Board meeting September 27, 2019

WICED

Christina Jackson stated that she would like VBCOA to issue a support letter for the WICED candidates (there was no recorded vote)

President Mensinger adjourned the meeting 3:48 pm