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VBCOA Board of Directors
Draft Meeting Minutes January 23, 2026
Charlottesville Omni, Charlottesville, Virginia

President Jason Laws called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.
Seargeant at Nathan Young led the board in the pledge of allegiance.
Executive Director, Sandra Harrington, conducted a roll call of voting members.

Voting Members Present
Jason Laws, President
Kyle Kratzer, 1st Vice President
Dennis Hart, 2nd Vice President
Nathan Young, Seargeant at Arms
Michelle Coward, Immediate Past President
Jason Hamm, Region I
Mark Bowles, Region II
Mark Graver, Region III
Allen Mosley, Region IV
David Dunivan, Region VI
Quentin Mascari, Region VII
Lee Ostheller, Region VIII
Richard Moore, Awards and Resolutions
John Broughton, Education
Rick Adams, IRC
Ron Clements, Legislative
Earl Weaver, Property Maintenance Committee
Kenny Hackworth, Existing Building Code Committee

Ad Hoc Ex Officio and others present
Mike Dellinger, ADTAC
Kemper Elder, Webmaster
Sandy Harrington, Executive Director
Avi Smith Rose, ICC

Approval of Minutes
Michelle Coward made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2025 VBCOA Board meeting, seconded by Kenny Hackworth and unanimously approved.

Presidents Report
President Laws submitted a written report

REGION CHAIRS
Kyle Kratzer reported the Region Chairs met January 22, 2026 and discussed some initiatives for the Region Chairs to consider including training opportunities, social media, and adding more content to the website. The Region Chairs also had a budget workshop and will be working on the FY27.

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Region I
Jason Hamm submitted a written report

Region II
Mark Bowles submitted a written report

Region III
Mark Graver submitted a written report

Region IV
Mackenzie Tate submitted a written report. Allen Mosley was present at the meeting.

Region V
Matthew Hawkes submitted a written report, no one was present

Region VI
David Dunivan submitted a written report

Region VII
Quentin Mascari submitted a written report

Region VIII
Lee Ostheller indicated they have not met since the last VBCOA Board meeting

TIME AND PLACE
Kyle Kratzer submitted a written report

Past President
Past President Michelle Coward submitted a written report. She discussed the Past Presidents were interested in being more involved, they will meet in February and report back to the Region Chairs/Board with actionable items the Past Presidents are willing to commit to.

Association Business
Jason Laws provided a recap of the discussions during the Region Chairs and Board Orientation on January 22, 2026 and a goal to improve social media/updating communication tools in an effort to improve communications and outreach to Association members.

AWARDS AND RESOLUTION
Patrick Hughes and Richard Moore submitted a written report. President Laws stressed the importance of submitting the Region of the Year applications.

EDUCATION
Jenna Goodman submitted a written report. John Broughton on behalf of the committee reported they have been helping Dennis Hart with the training for the Mid Year Conference and provided highlights from the written report. Jason Laws asked to take back a request for Accessibility

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training. Nathan Young indicated that they are looking for people to interview for the podcast, to let him know if interested.

ENERGY
DeAnthony Pierce submitted a written report

INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE
Dan Wilham submitted a written report.

INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE
Rick Adams indicated that the IRC has not met since the last meeting.

LEGISTLATIVE
Ron Clements submitted a written report and reviewed the bills on the report.

MEMBERSHIP
Carolyn Chavis submitted a written report, prior to her retirement. President Laws indicated VBCOA is looking for a new membership chair.

PERMIT TECHNICIANS
Amanda Spittle did not submit a written report, via email indicated they will be meeting soon

PLUMBING/MECHANICAL CODE
Dennis Hart submitted a written report.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE
Earl Weaver submitted a written report. He stated the PMC will be conducting (3) trainings this year, looking at March, June, and August and the information will be out soon.

PUBLIC INFORMATION
No report was submitted

EXISTING BUILDING CODE COMMITTEE
Allison Cook submitted a written report, Kenny Hackworth provided an overview of the written report.

AD HOC ADMINISTRATIVE
John Broughton indicated they have met a few times and have been reviewing code change proposals

AD HOC FIRE CODE
No one was present, no report was submitted

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AD HOC TECHNICAL TRAINING AND OUTREACH PROGRAM

Kyle Kratzer stated that he had put forth a code change proposal to the Board of Housing to delete the 3 year requirement. There was also discussion during the Board Orientation about the mission of this committee.

AD HOC VIRGINIA CODE EDUCATION CONFERENCE (VCEC)

Jason Laws reported the Committee is still working on trying to get a facilitator for the group

AD HOC 100th Anniversary Committee

Dennis Hart indicated the committee has scheduled a Golf Tournament for September 8 and they will be looking for sponsors for this event. Mr. Hart indicated they have a commitment from ICC to partner with VBCOA for 100th Anniversary plans such as attendance by the ICC President, Sponsorship, sharing the ICC Exhibitors list etc. He stressed the importance of the Regions having a representative participate in the 100th Year Anniversary planning meetings.

Webmaster

Kemper Elder indicated that it's a good time to be looking at the future of the website and what is should look like and will be looking at options such as the ICC platform currently being used by WICED and VPMIA.

ADTAC

Mike Dellinger submitted a written report.

BCAAC

Kris Bridges submitted a written report. Mike Dellinger indicated he is on the Committee and the request to increase CEU requirement to 24 hours from 16 hours went forward.

DHCD

Jeff Brown submitted a written report. Mr. Brown provided some highlights from the report. He indicated there is a Leadership transition, the current DHCD Director has been given a 90-day extension by the new Governor; they could get reappointed or DHCD could be getting a new Director. There have been several Executive Orders that will impact DHCD, specific to building codes, regulatory processes etc. Predict more studies, workgroups, task forces etc. at the State Level. There are a lot of bills that impact the building code.
This year for Building Safety Month, DHCD will support Building Safety Month activities but will not be able to have plan a state event.
DHCD has many positions that are open right now and received approval for a $10,000 sign on bonus to hopefully help get some qualified applicants.

Mr. Brown explained that the requested VBCOA Training Stipend was approved and provided an overview of the future process for requesting Stipend Training Funds.

Mr. Brown discussed the 2024 Code Development cycle and if VBCOA would like to submit any written comments to the BHCD, related to the 2025 cycle or any specific proposals, please submit those to Jeff Brown via email to be included as soon as possible ahead of their May 11th meeting.

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DPOR
Jerry Heinline submitted a written report. Jason Laws stated that his term ends June 30, 2026 and will go thru the nominations committee if anyone is interested be on the look-out for that announcement.

REGULATORY COMPLIANCE
Jenna Goodman submitted a written report

ICC
Ron Clements and Avi Smith Rose submitted written reports

Ron Clements provided an overview of his report. Call for Committees, encourages people to take a look and consider applying. Current ICC Committee 2027-2029 I-Code Cycle Call CCC, CDCs, CICs BSJ Article Apply by April 1, 2026.

Avi Smith Rose just received the templates for Building Safety Month "Built to Last" is the theme. If you have events for BSM please let him know so they can try to get ICC support for the events. The ICC BSM event is scheduled for May 14, 2026.

He stated that Eric Winter, product manager with Ekotrope (RESNET-accredited RATER software is the most widely used HERS rating software and actively supports many other building standards). He is conducting research on energy code compliance in Virginia. He is specifically focusing on the total UA/REScheck compliance pathway and seeking to meet with people to learn how total UA is working in Virginia and to get perspective on the residential energy code compliance landscape. He is also interested in connecting with builders and other stakeholders who are involved with residential energy code compliance for new construction in Virginia.

He also reported that some of ICC's partners are seeking to present/promote to our members:

- Municity webinar
    - Planning, permitting, compliance
- Innovation presentation on AI/General Code
    - EZ access to municipal ordinances and unique code-centric solutions to digitally link ordinances, zoning codes, building codes, and other essential content with your own procedures and public service platform
- Map Link webinar
    - Zoning/interactive zoning map

TRB
James Moss submitted a written report

ICC REGION VII
Kyle Kratzer provided an update

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VFPA
No report was submitted, no one was present

VIAEI
Corian Carey submitted a written report

VPMIA
Chris Hickey submitted a written report

WICED
Farrah Henderson provided a written report

Kenny Hackworth made a motion to adjourn, seconded by David Dunivan and unanimously approved, Jason Laws adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

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