



Region V  
2012 Region of the Year  
Battlefield Chapter

**MEETING AGENDA**  
**January 17, 2013**

**Call to Order** – Charlie Black, Region V Chair

**Establish Quorum** – (Circle Attendees – Six Jurisdictions or Twenty Members) City of Alexandria, Arlington County, City of Falls Church, City of Fairfax, City of Manassas, Fairfax County, Fauquier County, Loudoun County, Prince William County, Stafford County, Town of Dumfries, Town of Warrenton.

**Introduction and Recognition of Guest(s)** – Thank You to Brian Foley and Chuck Bajnai for their presentation today. DHCD Visitor:

**Presentation of Minutes** – The July 2012 Minutes are in Craig Leeches possession and we have not been able to retrieve them as of this time. Therefore, we will attempt to reconstruct them for our records. The November 2012 Meeting Minutes – if it pleases the membership, we can dispense of the reading of the minutes. Do we have a motion to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes?

**Treasurer's Report:** Savings: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Checking: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Do we have a Motion to Accept the Treasurer's Report?

**Chair/Officer Report:**

The DHCD Workgroups are still meeting. DHCD Group 3 and 4 met on January 10, 2013 for review of Code Changes and final approval for USBC, IRC, IMC, IFGC, NEC, State Agencies related regulations.

The Region Chairs' Meeting is scheduled as a conference call with First Vice President Cathy Cook from Blacksburg on January 22, 2013. The state and region budget items will be discussed for any recommendations to the BOD at the 2013 BOD Meeting on February 1, 2013 in Chesterfield County Governmental Center.

The Mid-Year Conference is scheduled for April in Charlottesville. As of this time no specifics have been received concerning time and place, agenda, training, presentations.

On December 6 and 10, 2012 VBCOA volunteers gathered at the SERVE facility on Dean Rd in Manassas and assisted staff personnel with several jobs necessary to their operations in preparation for the holiday season. We wish to thank each and every one who volunteered for the initiative. Previously, the Region worked on one day to assist the organization. This year, the Director, Jan Hawkins, requested that the volunteers come on two different days. Audrey Clark was our pivot person on this initiative, and we thank her so very much. It is also noteworthy, that some members volunteered to work both days at the organization facility.

On Saturday, December 8, 2012, Chair Charlie Black and member Dick Meyer attended a Homes For Our Troops ceremony to honor Marine Lance Corporal Nicholas Thom and celebrate the ground breaking for his new home in Broad Run, Virginia. This initiative was initiated a couple years ago by Dick Meyer and was pursued by past Region V Chairs Sean Farrell and Gregg Fields. The state was very interested in our endeavors and supports our initiative.

On December 21, 2012, Treasurer Paula Johnson, met with DSS representatives to present them with gifts for the children displaced from their homes during the holiday season. We plan on continuing this initiative and plan for another source of funds to supplement any individual contributions. Well done Paula.

On Thursday evening, December 27, 2012, we were notified by a contractor that the HFOT was conducting another ceremony to honor Army Corporal Jonathan Jackson in the Williamsburg area of Region VIII. On Friday, I called the Region VIII Chair, Tom Coghill. He was advised of the event, but had another commitment, and was not able to attend. I attended and represented VBCOA. I was able to speak with the President of HFOT, SMA

Ken Preston, Corporal Jonathan Jackson and his wife, Megan, and another home recipient, SSG Wayne Cole from the Richmond area. Hopefully, we will not receive such short notice of events in the future.

Paul Abernathy has recently updated our Region V webpage. We hope to keep our web up to date and will attempt to make changes with a more organized effort.

Volunteers are needed to determine the ICC Theme for Building Safety Month, which is usually May, and initiate ideas to further their theme by partnering with their theme at the Regional level. Any and all suggestions are welcomed, and needed as soon as possible.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Awards and Resolutions** – Gregg Fields – No report was received. Gregg noted that our presence and participation is needed during all workshop meetings, any code change matters and for all initiatives set forth by our Region.

**Building Code** - No report received. The 2012 Code Cycle is rapidly coming to an end. DHCD Workgroups are still meeting to determine final code language and obtain consensus on decided issues.

**Education Committee** – Audrey Clark and Doug Fraser – Please advise of upcoming training.

**Energy Committee** – Steve Turchen – Workgroup III. January 10, 2012 progress report.

**IRC Committee** – Workgroup III – Report from above.

**Legislative Committee** – Charlie Black – No new information to distribute at this time.

**PMG Committee** – Shawn Strausbaugh – Chair and Region V representative has been attending the DHCD Workshop meetings. No additional information received.

**Property Maintenance Committee** – Charlie Black – the last time the committee met was in the fall. No meeting has been scheduled for 2013 as of this time.

**Public Information** – Chair Gregg Fields – Edited an article on the HFOT ground breaking ceremony in Broad Run for submission to VBCOA State Officers, DHCD personnel, and ICC headquarters. All organizations are interested in our endeavors. Thank you very much Gregg.

**Time and Place Committee** – Co-Chair Syndee Groves, and Region V representative Audrey Clark. Please provide information on location and dates of Mid-Year Conference.

**Nominations Committee** – Past President Jim Collins. No known nominations being made at this time.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

- 1) HFOT participation
- 2) T-Shirts in Small Size Available
- 3) Urge PT to join and participate in VBCOA as they are part of the regulatory process
- 4) The 4 Pins for VBCOA Conferences are still available for those wishing to purchase them.

#### **New Business:**

- 1) Building Safety Month project. All suggestions welcomed.
- 2) Consider changing dollar contributions during registration from food charity supplement to a Holiday Season fund for more participation in Gifts for the Displaced Children.
- 3) Our next meeting is March 13, 2013 and is on Hoarding and Its Legal Aspects.

**Adjourn:** Do we have a motion to adjourn?