

**Minutes of the November 7, 2006 Meeting
Of The
Redwood Empire Association of Code Officials**

1. Call to order

President Doug Williams (Rincon Valley Fire) called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm at the Cattlemen's Restaurant, Petaluma.

2. Self Introductions

President Williams welcomed the attendees (plus the guest speakers) and called for self-introductions.

2a. Special Recognition

President Williams recognized Past President Daryl Phillips for his service to REACO during calendar year 2005. Presentation of a plaque.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve Minutes for October 2006 meeting. Motion Seconded. Approved by voice vote (all ayes).

4. Officers and Committee Reports

a. Treasurer

Steve Pantazes (Town of Windsor) reported a new balance of: \$21,020.71 for the checking account and \$12,057.02 for the CD. Total balance \$33,077.73.

b. Secretary

No report

c. Vice President

No report.

d. President

Year end meeting we will ask for RSVP's as attendance usually is high for that meeting. Made acknowledgement of Steve Mitchell as CALBO president (2000-2001) working with Lee Braun and others on CALBO Fire Advisory Committee (now CALBO/Cal Chief Fire & Building Committee).

Suggested that we help support folks attendance in code hearings and scholarships to help use the money we obtained from training.

e. Executive Committee

Executive Committee met discussed joint class with FPO's in February (200UFC to 2006 IFC). Discussed proposed amendments to Bylaws (see New Business)

f. Nominations Committee

Ron Averiette, Daryl Phillips and Larry Jones were appointed on the committee. Ron recommended that the existing slate of officers be moved up in position with the vacating Treasurer position being filled by Glenn Schainblatt.

5. Correspondence and Announcements

President Williams received a letter from Vice President of ICC who is putting an ad-hoc committee together regarding membership needs. Response needed by November 30, 2006. President Williams asked for any response to their request and would float the name of anyone interested. Daryl Phillips asked that a copy of the letter be e-mailed. DeWayne Starnes was to make a pdf and distribute.

6. Legislative News

None

7. Code Issues

DeWayne Starnes (County of Sonoma) brought back the issue regarding Section 1105 for "B" occupancies, specifically, medical and dental offices must comply with Section 1109 for "I" occupancies that require a covered loading zone and entrance. Information from State Architect's office (Michael Mankin) indicated that a covered entrance and parking was only intended for 24 hour or longer stays and where access to emergency vehicles was needed. DeWayne will forward the e-mail from Mr. Mankin to the membership.

Mike Enright (City of Santa Rosa) indicated that Chapter 11A & 11B was re-written in its entirety, hopefully easier to understand and better coordinated with an expected adoption this month to be effective in May of 2007.

8. New Business

President Williams requested ratification of a proposal to waive the lunch fee at the December meeting if membership dues were paid at that meeting and requested an RSVP be initiated for that meeting to give the folks at Cattlemen's a good head count since this meeting is usually highly attended.

Motion to approve waiving of December lunch fee with paid membership dues.
(Ron)

Motion Seconded. (Cliff) Approved by voice vote (all ayes).

Lee Braun (City of Belevedere) introduced item regarding Brent Snyder who has terminal cancer. Brent was CBO in Reno then Pacifica and was most esteemed trainer and educator for Building Officials in the western US. Brent did not have any insurance covering a catastrophic illness which he now has. Brent owns a family farm that has been in the family for generations and is now threatened to be liquidated to pay for the medical bills. A fund named "Grandpa's Farm Fund" has been established to help defray medical bills.

Lee proposed a motion for the chapter to provide a \$1000 dollar donation minimum and matching any private donations. So Chapter will solicit and match private donations and add \$1000 to the total. To be worked out with Treasurer, all private checks sent to Steve Pantazes and Steve sending one check.

Motion to approve donation of \$1000 plus matching any private donations (Lee)
Motion Seconded. Approved by voice vote (all ayes)

DeWayne Starnes passed out copies of proposed bylaw amendments that he put together working with the Executive Committee. The first amendment dealt with changing the Chapter's name to Redwood Empire Association of Code Officials from Redwood Empire ICBO. The second amendment dealt with adding a new membership designation "Group Member" with threshold and cost of membership to be determined by the membership and each group member would be allocated only one representative vote. The third amendment was to change the requirement from having 5 members propose and sign any new amendment(s), the change would be to have a signature by 4 officers instead of members. Mike Enright indicated that the change should be to say 5 members or officers. Doug Williams indicated that we have two steps going on, one to introduce the amendment and one to adopt. DeWayne said he could rewrite to maintain the 5 member introduction, but add adoption by signature by the officers. DeWayne will forward amendments and ballot to membership with amendments broken out with deadline of return of ballots due before next meeting. Voting applies to all paid members.

9. Old Business

No comments

10. Program

Bill Clark with Energy Solutions gave a presentation on spray foam insulation.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by DeWayne Starnes