

MINUTES

Virginia Plumbing & Mechanical Inspectors Association
Fourth Board of Directors Meeting
Louisa County
February 20, 2015

President called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM
Meeting was started with the Pledge of Allegiance
Quorum was established

In attendance:

Robert Adkins, David Beahm, Curtis Campbell, Ronald Clements, Richard Grace, Skip Harper, David Harris, Jesse Hurt, Sandi Morris, Jay Otto, Michael Redifer, Paul Rimel III, Emory Rodgers, Jon Sargeant, John Seay, Shawn Strausbaugh, Richard Witt

President Harper asked for an approval of the agenda and received the Board's approved. Reports are attached with the minutes.

Reports of Officers:

President: See attached.

Vice President: No report submitted.

Secretary: The September 12, 2014 BOD Meeting minutes were presented for approval. No corrections were presented. A motion and a second was made for approval and unanimously voted in favor by the Board.

Treasurer: See attached.

Executive Secretary: See attached.

Ex-Officio Committee Reports

ICC: See attached.

ICC Region VII: See attached.

DHCD: Mr. Rodgers started his report by noting that ICC Past Presidents were working on organizing a golf tournament for the conference with the proceeds going into ICC scholarships, and if this fund raising event goes well, perhaps such an event can be considered at the 2018 Conference held in our area. Mr. Rodgers continued by providing an update on the Code Academy and the intent to provide advanced classes, with more details on these classes by this summer. He stated that the Building Department and the Code Academy were working together to do IT improvements this year. Ms. Morris elaborated more by stating that the Code Academy was working on a lot of new programs, including immediately a technical program for the

Virginia Rehab Code and an Elevator Inspector program. As with all of their programs, there will be a call out for subject matter experts to assist in these programs. Ms. Morris stated that they were also working on some on-line programs for continuing education, the most immediate program being on Asbestos, as well as a Chapter 1 program to enable refresher opportunities for individuals. Ms. Morris stated that they were moving more toward interactive educational programs and moving away from PowerPoint type presentations. Ms. Morris provided an update on current code update training, stating that there have been approximately 4,000 individuals that have taken the training, about 50% online attendance and 50% classroom attendance. Additionally, Ms. Morris stated that the Code Academy was an ICC Preferred Provider.

DPOR: See attached. Prior to presenting his report, Mr. Redifer thanked the Board for their support in his appointment to the Board for Contractors.

Standing Committees

Advertising/Yearbook: No report submitted. John Seay mentioned that he had email discussions with Ron Bladen, who said that the advertising for the Yearbook was going well, and that they are about complete. President Harper brought up the topic of putting a full page article in the Yearbook recognizing the achievements of Past VPMIA President Guy Tomberlin, and the Board completely embraced that suggestion.

Auditing: See attached. Additionally, Vice President Campbell stated that the Auditing Committee was working on adjusting the yearly audit so the cycle will correspond with the Annual School of Instruction rather than the calendar year. This will require an additional audit in April.

Awards: No report submitted.

Bylaws: See attached.

Certification/Education: See attached.

Finance: No report submitted.

Legislative: See attached.

Information/Technology: See attached.

Membership: See Executive Secretary Report.

Nominating: No Report submitted. Paul Rimel stated that nominations are still currently open, and that he has already spoken with most of the serving officers and directors about their continued service, but has not received any nomination forms at this time.

PMG Code Change Committee: See attached.

School of Instruction: See attached.

Time & Place: See attached. Additionally, President Harper stated that with the new Bylaws, the School of Instruction's date and place must be selected one year in advance, and approved by the Board.

Ad Hoc Committees

BCAAC: No report submitted.

Building Safety Month: No report submitted. President Harper stated that the themes for Building Safety Month (BSM) were indicated in the ICC report. He also stated that the City of Alexandria was doing a kickoff for BSM, and that in the past, VPMIA has made contributions to that effort. President Harper was sent a letter by Pete Mensinger requesting continued support for educational supplies and team shirts and supplies for the kickoff/cookout on May 1st and the events scheduled throughout the state. Paul Rimel made a motion to make a contribution of \$500.00 to the VBCOA BSA Committee to help support their efforts for these events. A second to that motion was made. After some discussion regarding how the funds were to be distributed, Bob Adkins asked to amend the motion on the floor to provide the President the use of discretion for the disbursement of these funds after more details were obtained from the VBCOA BSA Committee regarding the use of the funds. Board voted in favor of the amended motion.

Joint Conference: Sandi Morris, with DHCD, is now the Chairperson of the Joint Conference Committee (JCC). Ms. Morris started her report by noting that all previous joint conferences were linked to the annual event of one organization or another, and that the intent was to rotate the organization that was saddled with the joint conference. That schedule became problematic for many reasons. The JCC looked into those issues and decided to make the Joint Conference a stand-alone conference. Ms. Morris continued by outlining the demographics of the JCC. She stated that the JCC will consist of two members from each participating organization (VBCOA, VPMIA, IAEL, VDFP, VAESA). The committee has met one time to establish the committee itself. Ms. Morris has requested that VPMIA provide two members to be a part of this committee, recommending Dustin McLehaney as one of these two based on his experience with the committee and his willingness to participate. President Harper volunteered to be the second member. Ms. Morris stated that the committee was discussing the timing of this event to correlate with the three-year code change cycle.

VBCOA Liaison: See attached.

Virginia Tradesman Education Coalition (VTEC): See attached.

Old Business:

No Old Business presented.

New Business:

President Harper asked the committee to consider what VPMIA should do with past awards received. VPMIA doesn't currently have a procedure for retaining these awards. Discussions included displaying them in the DHCD offices, being retained by those who actually received them, renting a storage space to retain them, and digitizing them. A decision was not forthcoming.

President Harper asked the board to consider Todd Joyce to be added to our honorary membership roster as Todd has been very generous in opening up the training facility within his office location in Chantilly, VA to VPMIA in the past and always open if available for our use in

the future. Paul Rimel made a motion to award Todd Joyce as an Honorary Member of VPMIA. John Seay seconded that motion. The Board unanimously voted in favor of that motion.

Other Business

No Other Business presented.

Adjourn: 2:00 PM

Presidents Report

- 1) Welcome new committee members: Sandi Morris/School of Instruction Committee, Steve Borders and Mike Thuot/Awards Committee.
- 2) Happy birthday to Jesse Hurt Birthday (Feb 21)
- 3) SOI Committee to work with VBCOA during 2018 ICC

Certification/Education Report

- 1) VPMIA is an approved provider for ICC-visit http://ppp.iccsafe.org/index.php/search-listing?searchword=&filter_15%5B0%5D=&filter_18%5B%5D=&filter_19%5B%5D=Virginia&limit=&orderby=&searchphrase=all&areas%5B%5D=flexicontent&option=com_flexicontent&view=search&task=search&Itemid=143 to see current training events available in Virginia.
- 2) The SOI classes will be submitted to DPOR for approval.

Information/tech= no report

Treasure's Report February 20, 2015

Since the last Board meeting we have had a total of \$949.67 of expenses and a total of \$21,343.72 of income. We have made the deposit to Graves Mountain for our SSOI. We also made a \$100 donation to the Woodstock Rescue Squad in memory of Thelma Showman and made a \$100 donation to the Wounded Warrior Fund for Ron Burton. We also received \$15,000 from DHCD. The audit of the books was also performed by Vice President Curt Campbell the last week of December and everything was found to be in order with no discrepancies. At the last Board meeting the organization had \$34,586.63 in the bank and as of today we have \$55,250.35.

VPMIA

2/19/2015 9:22 AM

Register: Checking

From 11/14/2014 through 02/19/2015

Sorted by: Date, Type, Number/Ref

Date	Number	Payee	Account	Memo	Payment C	Deposit	Balance
11/14/2014	1477	Industry Code Updat...	Reimbursement to Skip ...	Hotel and renta...	269.67		34,586.63
11/14/2014	1478	Dominos Pizza	BOD Lunch	BOD lunch	68.00		34,518.63
11/17/2014		Industry Code Updat...	District I Training Proc...	Chantilly Train...		200.00	34,718.63
11/17/2014		Membership Dues	Membership:Members...	15 Membership...		600.00	35,318.63
11/19/2014	Bank card	Wounded Warrior Fu...	Charitable Donation	One time donat...	100.00		35,218.63
11/21/2014		transfer from PayPal ...	PayPal	Membership re...		115.62	35,334.25
11/21/2014		service charge	service fee	BBT	4.00		35,330.25
12/03/2014	1479	ICC	ICC	ICC Provider fee	200.00		35,130.25
12/04/2014		DHCD	stipend from DHCD	Stipend from D...		15,000.00	50,130.25
12/22/2014		service charge	service fee	BBT	4.00		50,126.25
01/13/2015		transfer from PayPal ...	PayPal	Membership re...		462.48	50,588.73
01/20/2015	1480	ICC Region VII	dues & training	ICC Region VI...	100.00		50,488.73
01/21/2015		service charge	service fee	BBT	4.00		50,484.73
01/26/2015	1481	Woodstock Rescue S...	Donation/Thelma Sho...	Memorial contr...	100.00		50,384.73
01/27/2015		transfer from PayPal ...	PayPal	Membership re...		77.08	50,461.81
01/30/2015		Membership Dues	membership renewal	4 membership r...		120.00	50,581.81
02/06/2015		transfer from PayPal ...	PayPal	Membership re...		38.54	50,620.35
02/10/2015		Membership Dues	membership renewal	1-Retired and 5...		2,240.00	52,860.35
02/10/2015		Membership Dues	membership renewal	50 Active mem...		2,010.00	54,870.35
02/10/2015		Membership Dues	membership renewal	11 Active mem...		440.00	55,310.35
02/10/2015	Bank Card	Graves Mountain Lo...	SSOI Deposit	2015 SSOI De...	100.00		55,210.35
02/12/2015		Membership Dues	membership renewal	1 Active member		40.00	55,250.35

From: Executive Secretary's Report
Date: February 16, 2015
Reference: BOD Meeting
To: Richard Grace, VPMIA Secretary

The following is a report of membership and 2015 dues.

Active Membership List-----318
Life Time Members-----19
Retired Members Paid Dues----- 2
Members Not Paid 2014 Dues-----30
Members Not Paid 2015 Dues-----85
Active Members Paid 2015 Dues----- 212

Associate Membership List-----54
Life Time Members----- 9
Members Not Paid 2014 Dues----- 7
Members Not Paid 2015 Dues-----28
Associate Members Paid 2015 Dues---- 17

New Active Member:

Rickey Hatcher Sr., Plumbing and Mechanical Inspector with the City of Hampton.
Steve Fujimoto, Mechanical Inspector with Virginia Beach.
Wesley Drumbeller, Combination Inspector with the Isle of Wight County.
Terry Ganey, Mechanical Inspector with Prince William County.
Craig Presley, Construction Inspector with Prince William County.

New Associate Member:

Vince Scriboni with Zurn-Green Turtle in West Chester, PA.

If anyone needs additional information, please contact me at 540-459-2789, c/phone 540-975-0782, or e-mail gshowman@shentel.net.

Thank You!

Geary W. Showman, CBO.
VPMIA Executive Secretary

International Code Council Government Relations Update – February 2015

Follow @ICC_GR on Twitter for breaking GR news throughout the month!

FREE Registration Now Open for 2015 Committee Action Hearings

This year's Committee Action Hearings, from April 19 – 30 in Memphis, TN, offer ICC Members and all concerned with building safety the opportunity to discuss and debate various code change proposals to the Group A 2018 International Codes. Whether you attend the hearings in person or participate online through cdpACCESS, you help to ensure the next generation of codes includes the latest technical and scientific advancements to benefit public safety. For more information about the hearings and the codes that will be discussed, and to register for FREE, click here:

<https://ww2.eventrebels.com/er/EventHomePage/CustomPage.jsp?ActivityID=12038&ItemID=46216> .

Important Date for Code Development Voter Validation

With the Code Development Cycle to develop the 2018 I-Codes Group A Codes underway, there is an important date to be aware of in order to vote on code changes: March 20. Jurisdictions must be an ICC Member by March 20, 2015, to be eligible to vote during this cycle, and Primary Representatives must validate Governmental Member Voting Representatives by that date to be eligible to participate in the Online Assembly Floor Motion vote that will follow the Committee Action Hearing. Click here to validate:

<https://av.iccsafe.org/eweb/dynamicpage.aspx?webcode=OrgVoterReg&Site=icc>

New ICC Program Offers Expanded Training Options

ICC's Preferred Provider Program creates an easily accessible network of extensive training opportunities with curricula that have been officially approved by ICC. Learners will benefit from relevant educational programs, expanded topics, and access to educational offerings both onsite and online. Check out the Preferred Provider page here: <http://ppp.iccsafe.org/> Chapters are strongly encouraged to become Preferred Providers!

Department of Energy Releases Report on Cost of Energy Code Enforcement

Researchers at the Department of Energy's Berkeley National Laboratory have discovered that: "This study found that the incremental cost of enforcing energy codes (compared to the cost of already-existing enforcement of other building codes) using a traditional review and inspection process (exclusive of overhead and travel) is typically \$50 or less per home, but may range up to nearly \$200, for residential energy codes; and \$60 to \$145 per building, but may range up to around \$1,000, for commercial energy codes". To read the full report, click here:

http://eetd.lbl.gov/sites/all/files/energy_code_enforcement_cost_phase_2_final_report_101414_clean-1.pdf

Just Arrived - International Solar Energy Provisions

With interest in solar energy systems increasing, the need for a clear understanding of how the code applies to solar installations has become vital for today's code official and the solar industry. The I-Codes have long addressed solar thermal and photovoltaic systems, and the 2015 codes have been improved to provide even greater safety for owners/operators, first responders, and the general public. The new International Solar Energy Provisions (ISEP) brings together all code provisions relating to solar systems into one easy-to-use document. It will also include three important reference standards for solar thermal systems from the Solar Rating and Certification Corporation (SRCC).

This is not a new code. It is a quick and easy way to access the comprehensive provisions related to solar energy systems in the I-Codes your jurisdictions may have already adopted. The ISEP will be available in electronic form on the ICC Bookstore in February. Soft-cover versions are available for pre-order now, and are estimated to ship on March 5, 2015. Early-bird pricing discounts apply until March 31, 2015. See the ICC Bookstore at <http://shop.iccsafe.org/catalog/product/view/id/43202/s/2015-international-solar-energy-provisions/> or contact Shawn Martin (smartin@iccsafe.org) for more information.

For the Best Prices on International Codes and More, Make Sure Your ICC Membership is Current

You've probably heard that on January 1, Maryland began compliance to the 2015 International Building Code, International Residential Code, and International Energy Conservation Code. To stay up to date on the new codes and keep pace with the latest innovations, you may need to purchase new Codes, commentaries, educational materials, and ICC online campus courses. Why not get the best prices on the resources you need? Reinstate your ICC Membership today! No other building safety code association has as many I-Code resources and career-building training opportunities available to its Members as ICC.

An affordable ICC Membership also provides exclusive Member-only benefits including:

- Free code opinions from the I-Code experts
- Free I-Code book(s) to new Members
- Staff of Governmental Members can receive free benefits
- Access to employment opportunities and post jobs in the ICC Career Center
- Discounts on professional training and Certification renewal exams
- Savings up to 25% off on code books and training materials

Reinstate now by clicking here:

<http://www.iccsafe.org/Membership/Pages/RenewReinstateMembership.aspx?usertoken={token}&Site=icc>

Building Safety Month 2015 Campaign Rollout

May is coming up soon – and so, ICC will begin the roll out the 2015 Building Safety Month campaign as we get closer to our annual celebration of everyone who plays a part in keeping our built environment

safe and efficient. This year's overall theme is "Resilient Communities Start with Building Codes". The weekly themes are:

- Week 1 - Fire Safety: "Don't Get Burned- Build To Code"
- Week 2 - Weather: "Bounce Back Faster From Disaster- Build To Code"
- Week 3 - Water Conservation/Swimming Pool Safety: "Water Safe, Water Smart- Build To Code"
- Week 4 - Energy: "Save Energy- Build To Code"

To: VPMIA Board of Directors
From: Rick Witt, VPMIA ICC Region VII Representative
Date: February 20, 2015
Subject: ICC Region VII Report

ICC Region VII held their last meeting on January 22-23, 2015 in Hagerstown, Maryland. The following is a summary of the meeting highlights.

- On Thursday the 22nd, proposed code changes from several states were presented and discussed. Attendees offered comments and suggestions to a number of the proposed changes as well as indicating initial support. Final Region VII positions will be determined at our next meeting which will occur after the posting of the monograph by ICC.
- There was a discussion on the National Institute Building Science report that further identified the need to get younger persons involved with our profession. The concern is that there will be a dramatic number of us retiring within the next 10 years which will leave a void of experience and qualified individuals to continue the code compliance profession.
- Representatives from New York attended the meeting to view our operation to assist them with discussions as to whether they should seek to join our Region.
- On Friday the 23rd, Virginia took over the leadership of the Region from Pennsylvania with George Hollingsworth, Fairfax County being sworn in as Chairman by ICC President Guy Tomberlin. Mr. Brian Gallagher, PA chair was presented with a plaque recognizing his service to the Region.

The next ICC Region VII meeting will be held on March 30-31 in Hagerstown at the Ramada Plaza Hotel. This meeting will focus on proposed code changes to be heard in Memphis, Tennessee. I encourage chairman of the PMG committee to attend and present specific proposed code changes to the group. In addition, I encourage everyone to attend the Region meetings as it is a great venue to discuss and gain consensus on code changes and also network with other code officials in different states.

Board for Contractors Report
February 20, 2015

At its December 16, 2014 meeting the Board reviewed recommendations from the Continuing Education Workgroup and voted to move forward with all with the following:

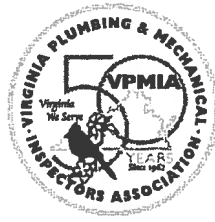
1. Consideration of courses which are less code-centric such as equipment manufacturer's training or other related regulations likely to be encountered by the regulant.
2. Require that a licensed tradesman be on the jobsite or that there be a maximum number of helpers under the supervision of a licensed tradesman.
3. Implement requirements that approved providers work more closely with DPOR staff regarding scheduling to facilitate more audits of the provider's presentations and thereby exercise greater quality control.
4. Develop agreements with selected localities to provide certain data so that effectiveness of the program can be more accurately determined rather than through anecdotal evidence.
5. Establish a routine of periodically surveying a small random sample of regulants in order to gauge effectiveness of courses and instructors.
6. Place expirations on approved courses thereby requiring providers to resubmit to the Board for review and renewal.
7. Add education providers to the regulant population so that they would be subject to renewal, submission of fees and disciplinary action for any established violations.

The recommendation to provide for testing as an alternative to continuing education was not approved primarily due to the anticipated additional costs involved in development, implementation and maintenance of such a program. Although some of the adjustments may be accommodated to a certain extent through policy changes, a number of the revisions will require amendment to the regulations which will be subject to the ordinary process of review and comment prior to potential approval and implementation.

The Board currently has eight (8) regulatory packages in various stages of progress. They include:

1. Setting specific requirements for more detailed information (identification documents, verification of experience, financial status) to be submitted with applications for both contractor and individual licenses.
2. Removing the inactive tradesman category.
3. Splitting the Building Contractor Classification into commercial and residential categories.
4. Finalization of emergency regulations in effect since July 2013 creating the Residential Building Energy Analyst contractor license and individual certification mandated by statute.

The Board's Committee is scheduled to meet on March 2, 2015 and the full Board will meet on March 3, 2015.



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Date: December 31, 2014

To: VPMIA Officers and Directors

From: Curt Campbell, Vice President

It is the Audit Committee's pleasure to report that an audit has been completed on the VPMIA Treasurer's Books from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 and found that everything was accurate and in order.

Starting Balance	\$26,674.00
Withdrawals	- \$7,569.35
Deposits	+\$31,021.60
Ending Balance	\$50,126.25

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 804-814-7003 or e-mail campbellcu@chesterfield.gov.

By-Laws Committee Report
February 20, 2015

The by-laws committee met on February 13, 2015 and continued working on the Job Duty and Committee Description Policy. The committee is over half way through the document and is on schedule to have this ready for the Board to review at the next Board meeting.

VBCOA/VPMIA 2015 Session LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

(Updated 02-19-15)

Thru- HB 2393, HJ 709, HR 216, SB 1455, SJ 38, SR 77

The legislative committee conference call took place on January 26, 2015. Conference call participants were: Skip Harper (VPMIA), Lewis Watts (region 4), David Beahm (region 3), Sean Farrell (region 5), Richard Bartell (region 7), Vernon Hodge (DHCD), Julie Walton (region 6/chair), Ron Clements (region 6/chair)

HB 1294 Status- Tabled in committee

Oppose - This will prohibit collection of permit fees in proposed section 57-2.03.

Chief patron: Morris

Churches and other religious bodies. Exempts churches, religious associations, and religious denominations from all state and local taxes, fees, and other charges. HB1293 is similar but targeted at storm water management fees.

HB 1404 Status- Tabled in committee. A letter will be sent to the small business commission asking them to look into the issues. VBCOA needs to be involved with the commission discussions.

Oppose- This exact bill was tabled in the House committee in 2012 (HB1722) and 2013 (HB94) with strong opposition from the committee both years. This would be difficult to comply with as it refers to all steps, permits and processes to obtain permits must be documented.

Chief patron: Head

Assistance and documentation required from localities. Provides that in any instance in which a person is seeking a business permit, a license, or an application for any similar local government approval from a locality, the locality shall provide documentation and instructions that outline all steps necessary to obtain the permit, license, or approval. The locality shall also specify any further permit, license, or other approval that may be required to complete the original project or business activity and shall disclose the expected time required by the locality for the completion of each step of the process to obtain the permit, license, or other approval.

HB 1793 Status- Tabled in committee. A letter will be sent to DHCD asking them to look into the issues of van parking during the next regulatory cycle. VBCOA needs to be involved with the DHCD discussions.

Oppose- This is bypassing the regulatory change process and legislating the building code.

Chief patron: Stolle

Wheelchair-access-only accessible parking spaces. Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to amend administrative regulations by December 31, 2015, to require that where the total number of parking spaces provided exceeds 25, at least one-quarter of disabled parking spaces be designated as wheelchair access only.

HB 1929 Status- Left in committee

HB 2046 Status- Left in committee

No position- Based on discussions with DHCD staff this does not have any negative USBC impact since the exception to VCC 308.6 sends you to 310.6 for family day homes regardless of how they are defined in the statute.

HB 1929 Chief patron: Anderson

HB 2046 Chief patron: Filler-Corn

Licensure of family day homes. Provides that the children of a family day home provider and any children who reside in the family day home where care is provided shall be included in determining the number of children receiving care for the purpose of licensure.

HB 2094 Status- Passed House and Senate, Waiting on Governor's signature

Support- This is a VBCOA bill. This bill was developed by the VBCOA legislative committee to change the initiation of the statute of limitations for property maintenance code violations from discovery to issuance of NOV. This provides the code official and building owner more time to resolve property maintenance issues before initiating court action.

Chief patron: Peace

Limitation of prosecution for Building Code violations. Provides that prosecutions for Building Code violations relating to the maintenance of existing buildings or structures shall commence within one year of the issuance of a notice of violation for the offense by the building official. Under current law, such prosecutions shall commence within one year of the discovery of the offense by the building official.

HB 2103 Status- Passed the House, Senate committee votes 2-23-15

Support- This is an HBAV bill. This bill places restrictions and educational requirements on private home inspectors.

Chief patron: Peace

Virginia Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors; new home inspections; penalty. Makes it unlawful for any person who is not a certified home inspector to perform (i) a home inspection on any new residential structure or (ii) any inspection on any new residential structure unless the seller of the property or his agent is given the opportunity to accompany the home inspector during the inspection. The bill also authorizes the Board to issue a certificate to practice as a certified home inspector to any applicant who has submitted satisfactory evidence that he has successfully completed a training module developed by the Board in conjunction with the Department of Housing and Community Development based on the International Residential Code component of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code. The bill requires the Virginia Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors to develop, in conjunction with the Department of Housing and Community Development, this training module and to make it available for use prior to July 1, 2016. The bill has a delayed effective date of July 1, 2016.

HB 2283 Status- Passed the House, reported from Senate committee

No position- Deals with code enforcement on Indian reservations, currently VA DGS is the code official.

Chief patron: Hodges

Enforcement of the Uniform Statewide Building Code by certain state-recognized Indian tribes. Authorizes a state-recognized Indian tribe to be responsible for the enforcement of the Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC) on any Indian reservation recognized by the Commonwealth if the Indian tribe has adopted the USBC by tribal ordinance and (i) assumed sole responsibility for existing buildings and new construction on the reservation and (ii) retained firms or individuals qualified to function as the building official for purposes of enforcing the ordinance.

HJ 618 Status- Stricken from docket

No Position- The study commissioned by this resolution may be of interest to jurisdictions that have code enforcement personnel designated as special conservators of the peace.

Chief patron: Lingamfelter

Study; training for special conservators of the peace; report. Creates a joint subcommittee to study the appropriate level of training necessary for special conservators of the peace to carry out the functions and duties for which they are appointed and to ensure their understanding of constitutional and criminal law.

SB 726 Status- Incorporated into SB1257

SB 1065 Status- Incorporated into SB1257

SB 1257 Status- - Passed House and Senate, Waiting on Governor's signature

No position- Proffer related bill.

SB 726 Chief patron: Cosgrove; *SB 1065 Chief patron:* Obenshain; *SB 1257 Chief patron:* Smith

Cash proffer for residential construction; sunset date. Removes the July 1, 2017, expiration of a Code section that delays the payment of certain per-dwelling-unit cash proffers until after the final inspection of the subject property and prior to the issuance of any certificate of occupancy. The removal of the sunset date also extends existing provisions barring the assertion of a cause of action to enforce a right to delayed payment of cash proffers and allowing a court to award fees and costs to a party that prevails in a legal challenge to a conflicting ordinance.

SB 780 Status- Incorporated into SB1168

SB 1124 Status- Incorporated into SB1168

SB 1168 Status- - Passed House and Senate, Waiting on Governor's signature (Incorporated SB780, 1029, 1069, 1124)

No position- Based on discussions with DHCD staff this does not have any negative USBC impact since the exception to VCC 308.6 sends you to 310.6 for family day homes regardless of how they are defined in the statute.

SB 780 Chief patron: Favola; *SB 1124 Chief patron:* Barker; *SB 1168 Chief Patron:* Hanger

Regulation of child welfare agencies. Establishes a national criminal history record check requirement for licensure as a child welfare agency, for approval as a family day home by a family day system, for approval as a foster or adoptive parent; for employment or to volunteer at a child welfare agency or family day home; and for all adults residing in a home in which a family day home is operated and provides that the children of a family day home provider and any children who reside in the family day home where care is provided shall be included in determining the number of children receiving care for the purpose of licensure.

SB 818 Status- Stricken from docket

No position- Based on discussions with DHCD staff this does not have any negative USBC impact since the exception to VCC 308.6 sends you to 310.6 for family day homes regardless of how they are defined in the statute.

SB 818 Chief patron: Favola

Licensure of family day homes. Provides that the children of a family day home provider and any children who reside in the family day home where care is provided shall be included in determining the number of children receiving care for the purpose of licensure.

SB 898 Status- Stricken from docket

No position- This bill will subject unlicensed family day homes to inspection by the fire official. *Every unlicensed and unregistered family day home shall be free from fire hazards and have adequate fire protection. Such family day homes are subject to inspection and approval by the appropriate fire official.*

Chief patron: Favola

Unlicensed and unregistered family day homes; notice to Department of Social Services; background checks; safety requirements. Requires unlicensed and unregistered family day homes to submit the following to the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services prior to beginning operation: (i) a statement of intent to operate an unlicensed and unregistered family day home, (ii) the name, address, and telephone number of the person maintaining the family day home, and (iii) a statement that the person who maintains the family day home has complied with the applicable background check requirements. The bill requires background checks. *Every unlicensed and unregistered family day home shall be free from fire hazards and have adequate fire protection. Such family day homes are subject to inspection and approval by the appropriate fire official.*

SB 1158 Status- Tabled in the House committee

No position (watch closely)- Fireworks bill. *Consensus was that this does not affect the USBC and restates the hazard class that is already in the USBC for consumer fireworks. The USBC related section: For the purposes of the Fire Prevention Code adopted pursuant to this section and the Uniform Statewide Building Code adopted pursuant to § 36-99, the storage and transportation of consumer fireworks shall be considered the same hazard class as 1.4G explosive.*

Chief patron: Garrett

Statewide Fire Prevention Code; State Fire Marshal; consumer fireworks; penalties. Authorizes the use of consumer fireworks in the Commonwealth. The bill defines "consumer fireworks" as small fireworks devices (i) containing restricted amounts of pyrotechnic composition designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion and (ii) complying with certain federal regulations regarding composition and labeling. The bill provides that the storage and transportation of consumer fireworks are to be considered the same hazard class as 1.4G explosives under the Statewide Fire Prevention Code (SFPC) and Uniform Statewide Building Code. In addition, the bill excludes from the provisions of the SFPC the use of consumer fireworks on residential or agricultural property with the consent of the owner of such property or when the fireworks are being transported from a locality where they were legally obtained to a locality where they are legally permitted. Current law only excludes the use of permissive fireworks on private property. The provisions of the bill have a delayed effective date of January 1, 2016.

SB 1342 Status- Passed Senate

No position- Bill creates grants for universal/visitable designed home renovations.

Chief patron: Puller

Residential Improved Accessibility and Universal Visitability Grant Program. Establishes a grant program for homeowners and contractors for the purchase or construction of new residences or renovations to existing residences designed to improve accessibility or to provide universal visitability. The grant program would be administered by the Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development. Subject to the appropriation of funds by the General Assembly, the Director would be authorized to award up to \$1 million in grants each fiscal year beginning with fiscal year 2016, of which the Director would allocate 50 percent for the purchase or construction of new residences and 50 percent for the retrofitting or renovation of existing residences. The maximum grant allowed would be (i) \$5,000 for the purchase or construction of a new residence or (ii) 50 percent of the amount expended, but not to exceed \$5,000, for the retrofitting or renovation of an existing residence.

VPMIA - VBCOA Plumbing, Mechanical, and Fuel Gas (PMG) Board Report

February, 2015

- The ICC Group B code change cycle is underway. The code change submission deadline was extended two days to January 14th, 2015. The code change monograph is stated to be posted on March 13th, 2015. See the following link for the complete code change cycle info – <http://www.iccsafe.org/cs/codes/Pages/cycle.aspx?usertoken={token}&Site=icc>
- The VBCOA/VPMIA PMG committee met on Friday September 19th, 2014 from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm at the Louisa County building. This meeting was to develop code changes for the above noted code change cycle. From this meeting six proposed code changes were brought forth and submitted on behalf of VBCOA/VPMIA PMG committee.
- The next VPMIA – VBCOA PMG meeting will be held on March 27th, 2015 from 10 am until 2:00pm at the Joyce Agency training facility located at 3933 Avion Park Court, Suite B102B Chantilly, VA 20151 – see the following link for directions - <https://www.google.com/maps/place/The+Joyce+Agency+Inc/@38.910419,-77.462986,15z/data=!4m2!3m1!1s0x0:0xc0fa87b82242ccd0>
A second meeting will most likely be needed to complete the review of the Group A code changes relevant to the PMG codes. This meeting, if needed, will be held during the VPMIA School of Instruction(SOI) to be held April 8th thru the 10th in Front Royal, VA.
- The VPMIA/VBCOA PMG committee has also been asked to start thinking about any proposals for the creation of the 2015 VUSBC as development of this next version of the VUSBC is just around the corner.
- Some significant changes have been posted in regard to the specific codes that are to be in the group A code change cycle and the group B code change cycle. See the following link for the complete list - <http://www.iccsafe.org/cs/codes/Pages/cycle.aspx?usertoken={token}&Site=icc>
In the PMG arena the 2015 group A code change cycle, which will create the 2018 codes, will be very busy as not only will the group A code change cycle contain the IPC and IMC but will now also contain the IRC plumbing and IRC mechanical. The ISPSC (swimming pool and spa code) will also be part of the Group A code change cycle.
Codes moved to Group A: IEBC non-structural; IPMC; IRC-M, IRC-P; ISPSC; IZC
Codes moved to Group B: IBC - S (which also includes IEBC structural provisions)

VBCOA report for the VPMIA BOD meeting February 20, 2015

- The last VBCOA BOD meeting was held on Friday January 30th, 2015 in Glen Allen, VA.
- The VBCOA mid-year meeting will be held on Sunday April 12th and Monday April 13th in Charlottesville VA at the Holiday Inn University and Conference Center. The BOD meeting will be held on Sunday from 1pm until 5pm and the membership meeting will be held on Monday from 8:15am until 10:30am. Please see the VBCOA website for registration and further details on the training being provided on Monday. <http://vbcoa.org/2015-midyear-conference>

- VBCOA is also applying for the ICC preferred provider program.
- The next VBCOA BOD meeting will be held on Sunday April 12th at the mid-year meeting in Charlottesville as noted above.

Sincerely,

Shawn Strausbaugh

Chairman VBCOA-VPMIA Plumbing, Mechanical, and Fuel Gas Committee, VPMIA-VBCOA Liaison, ICC

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From: Kushner, Wayne [<mailto:Wayne.Kushner@fairfaxcounty.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2015 8:05 AM
To: Harper, Skip(DHCD)
Cc: Martinelli, Dennis
Subject: BOD Meeting

Morning Skip,

Just wanted to let you know that due to our work load, hiring new folks, and 2012 code update training Dennis and I will not be able to attend the BOD's meeting on Friday 2-20-15. (Our Appoligies) Tell everyone we said hey...

The cutoff date for booking a room at the hotel has been changed from 3-2-15 to 3-23-15 . Need to change on our web site to reflect as such. Also we have finalized meeting rooms, vendor space, Ladies Auxillary and food with the hotel. Graves Mountain is set for (Friday) July 31st and a deposit of 100.00 dollars was sent by Dustin on 2-10-15. You can use this for our reports and we'll see you at the SSOI, HOPE YOU HAVE A PRODUCTIVE MEETING.

Thanks Skip,
Talk with you soon.

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February 20, 2015

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The Board for Contractors Continuing Education Workgroup held its fourth and final meeting on October 20, 2014 at DPOR's offices in Richmond. During this meeting the workgroup finalized its list of recommendations to improve the tradesman continuing education program. These recommendations were forwarded to the Board for Contractors to be reviewed during its last meeting of 2014 held on December 16th in Richmond.

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Out of eight items included in the workgroup's list of suggested improvements, seven were approved by the Board members in attendance for further consideration. The one suggestion not approved was the idea of providing tradesmen with the option to successfully complete a knowledge assessment in lieu of continuing education. An excerpt from the December 16th Board minutes is attached which lists the eight recommendations and the voting results for each item. Please note the CE workgroup consisted not only of several statewide code enforcement and trade association members but also included the seven Board for Contractors Committee members who are members of the full Board as well. Therefore, while some of the workgroup's final recommendations may not necessarily have been top priorities of the code enforcement and trade associations, they were in fact supported by a majority of the workgroup's voting members during its final meeting.

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Meanwhile, the Board's tradesman regulatory reform package, originally published as a NOIRA on December 14, 2012 remains on the Governor's desk awaiting his signature (Day 263). The proposed regulations originally included the elimination of CE but were later amended by the Board on December 17, 2013 to continue the tradesman CE program.

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Also of interest, Michael Redifer - Building Official in Newport News, VA - was appointed by Governor McAuliffe to fill the vacant building official seat on the Board replacing Douglas Murrow who previously served in that capacity. Three members of the Plumbing and Mechanical Professionals of Virginia have also been appointed to the Board. The seats filled by PMPV members are the plumbing contractor seat, the HVAC contractor seat and the materials supplier seat therefore it would seem those in favor of maintaining and improving the tradesman CE program have strong representation on the Board for Contractors.

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Respectfully submitted,

Paul Rimel, VTEC Committee chair
Virginia Plumbing and Mechanical Inspectors Association

BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS BOARD MEETING

DRAFT MINUTES

The Board for Contractors met on Tuesday, **December 16, 2014** at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR), 9960 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia. The members indicated below were present. Each of the other members present was qualified to vote, except where a specific reason for disqualification is stated. There are 15 members on this board, in which eight constitutes a quorum pursuant to §54.1-1102.

James Oliver, Vice Chair
Vance T Ayres
Goutam Chowdhuri
H. Bailey Dowdy
Herbert "Jack" Dyer, Jr.
Gene E Magruder
Jeffrey Shawn Mitchell
E. C. "Chick" Pace, III
Michael D. Redifer
Troy Smith, Jr.
Dwight Todd Vander Pol

Board Liaison William J. "Denny" Dennis was present at the meeting.

Board members absent from the meeting: E. G. "Rudy" Middleton and David Giesen

Staff members present for all or part of the meeting was:

Jay DeBoer, Director
Mark Courtney, Sr. Director for Regulatory & Public Affairs
Eric L. Olson, Executive Director
Mindy Spruill, Regulatory Boards Administrator
Adrienne Mayo, Regulatory Boards Administrator
Sheila Watkins, Administrative Assistant/Compliance
Karen Bullock, Administrative Assistant/Compliance/Education Specialist
Angela Costa, Education Specialist
James Flaherty, Counsel

~~record, which consisted of the application file, transcript and exhibits, and Summary of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference.~~

~~Harold W
Huffman t/a
Waynes
Home
Repairs~~

~~Harold W Huffman did not appear at the Board meeting. The presiding Board representative Mr. Schroder was not present did not participate in the discussion and did not vote.~~

~~After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Dyer and seconded by Mr. Pace to adopt the recommendation contained in the Summary of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference and grant the license.~~

~~The motion was approved with a majority "yes" vote by members: Ayres, Chowdhuri, Dowdy, Dyer, Magruder, Mitchell, Pace, and Vander Pol. Middleton and Giesen were absent. Smith had not arrived. Mr. Oliver voted "no".~~

~~In the matter of License Application File Number 2015-01025, Dennis Dolan, Jr., the Board members reviewed the record, which consisted of the application file, transcript and exhibits, and Summary of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference.~~

~~File Number
2015-01025
Dennis
Dolan, Jr.~~

~~Dennis Dolan, Jr. did not appear at the Board meeting. The presiding Board representative Mr. Schroder was not present did not participate in the discussion and did not vote.~~

~~After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Dyer and seconded by Mr. Pace to adopt the recommendation contained in the Summary of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference and grant the license.~~

~~The motion was approved with a unanimous "yes" vote by members: Ayres, Chowdhuri, Dowdy, Dyer, Magruder, Mitchell, Oliver, Pace, and Vander Pol. Middleton and Giesen were absent. Smith had not arrived.~~

~~The Board took a break at 9:51 am and reconvened at 10:04 am.~~

~~Break and
Reconvene~~

~~Mr. Olson shared the Summary and Recommendations of the Continuing Education Work Group with the Board.~~

~~Continuing
Education
Workgroup
Report
Eric Olson~~

~~The Continuing Education Work Group (the Group) was tasked by the Board for Contractors to review the current continuing education requirements and to make recommendations for ways to improve those requirements in order to~~

ensure that license and certificate holders maintain an adequate level of competency in their field of practice.

The Group was required to take a number of factors into consideration when developing recommendations to present to the Board. These included the effectiveness of the education, any costs associated with the recommendations, including both cost to the licensee and to the Board, availability of courses, existing technological restrictions, and the overall burden to the licensees. The following recommendations were developed by the Group and are presented to the Board for consideration:

1) Expand the limits on subject matter to include courses that are not directly related to the USBC. Courses such as safety, equipment installation from manufacturers, permitting classes, etc., should be available to licensees. While this would require an amendment to the regulations, it would not require any changes to the current procedures in place for the processing of applications from providers. The expansion of the courses would be beneficial as licensees would be given an expanded list of topics to choose from, that could include courses that are specific to the work they do. For example, a gas-fitter attending a class on the installation of a new gas appliance that involves special installation procedures.

The Board for Contractors would continue to have full vetting authority in determining whether or not a course and/or provider meets the requirements set forth in the regulations for education providers and the relevancy of the training course.

After discussion a motion was offered by Mr. Dyer and seconded by Mr. Pace to accept the recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "yes" were: **Ayres, Chowdhuri, Dowdy, Dyer, Magruder, Mitchell, Smith, Oliver, Pace, and Vander Pol. Middleton and Giesen were absent.**

2) Adopt regulations that require a licensed tradesman be on all jobsites and/or places limits on the number of helpers that can be supervised by a journeyman or master at one time. This particular issue has been addressed by the Board for Contractors with proposed regulations adding this requirement being rejected twice in the last 15 years.

The completion of continuing education as a prerequisite for license renewal was done to ensure the continued competency of tradesman, which would result in an increase in the protection of citizens. Currently, there is no requirement that trade-related work be completed or directly supervised by a licensed tradesman. So, in essence, tradesman are required to take steps to ensure continued competency, in order to protect citizens, but there is no

requirement that the work done for citizens be completed or directly supervised by the individuals who are taking the continuing education. There is the requirement that the Qualified Individual of a company holding a trade-related specialty have a current master tradesman license, but nothing that sets forth requirements for supervision. It would be a logical conclusion that in order to ensure the efficacy of continuing education while, simultaneously affording a certain level of protection to the citizen, there should be a requirement that a tradesman either be on the job site, or have some language that addresses the supervision issue.

After discussion a motion to accept the recommendation was made by Mr. Dyer and seconded by Mr. Redifer.

The motion passed majority. Members voting "yes" were: **Ayres, Chowdhuri, Dowdy, Dyer, Magruder, Mitchell, Smith, Pace, and Vander Pol. Middleton and Giesen were absent. Mr. Oliver voted "no".**

- 3) Implement a requirement that education providers notify the Board of scheduled courses a minimum of 30 days prior to the scheduled date.

In order to schedule unannounced audits of education courses staff is required to adjust schedules and in instances where an overnight stay is required, to obtain advance approval of travel. This often requires that audits be scheduled three to four weeks prior to the actual date of the course. In some instances providers are notifying the Board of courses with an insufficient amount of time to make arrangements to plan an audit. Some providers do this on a regular basis, making it virtually impossible to audit their course offerings. Having a requirement that all providers notify the Board of scheduled courses a minimum of 30 days prior to the scheduled date would ensure adequate time to plan for audits, when necessary. This would take an amendment to the current regulations.

After discussion a motion was offered by Mr. Dowdy and seconded by Mr. Dyer to accept the recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "yes" were: **Ayres, Chowdhuri, Dowdy, Dyer, Magruder, Mitchell, Smith, Oliver, Pace, and Vander Pol. Middleton and Giesen were absent.**

- 4) Develop an MOA with selected localities to improve data collection with regards to the number and types of USBC issues.

As previously stated, the purpose of continuing education is to ensure continued competency. Current regulations require only three hours per discipline (one for gas-fitters), limiting the amount of contact time in the class. This makes it essential that courses be approved that target areas where

tradesman have demonstrated a particular need for training. For example, data showed that inspections through the Commonwealth found no discrepancies for the items found in a particular chapter of the USBC, then it would not be an efficient use of time to require that particular chapter be included in training courses, especially if other particular issues have been identified that have significantly more impact on violations or inspection failures.

This issue was brought to the Group as a direct result of discussions regarding the legislative report completed by the Board pursuant to Chapter 738 of the 2013 Reconvened Session of the General Assembly. The Board, in trying to evaluate data to determine the necessity for continuing education, was not able to obtain any statistics involving the failure rate of inspections, categories of failures, permitting information (contractor/homeowner) of failures, or other pertinent data. On several occasions the Board found that such data is not collected or maintained by localities, making it difficult to measure the effectiveness of the education or to identify areas that need to be targeted for increased education.

The development of MOAs with multiple localities that would involve the collection and reporting of this data would resolve this issue.

After discussion a motion was offered by Mr. Redifer and seconded by Mr. Dyer to accept the recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "yes" were: **Ayres, Chowdhuri, Dowdy, Dyer, Magruder, Mitchell, Smith, Oliver, Pace, and Vander Pol. Middleton and Giesen were absent.**

5) Survey a randomly selected small sample (400-600) licenses on a periodic basis to collect data with regards to the effectiveness, cost, availability, access, and other areas that will provide the Board with a viewpoint of the continuing education requirement through the experiences of the licensees.

As part of the research done by the Group surveys were received from more than 200 licensees with responses to questions involving cost, travel time, preferred method of instruction, course content, and other areas. The results of the survey were used to support many of the preconceptions of the members of the Group. It was agreed that the data was valuable and that periodic sampling would be beneficial to the Board. The costs are relatively minimal and the data collection is not burdensome.

An alternative or addition to this recommendation is to include evaluation forms of providers/courses, be sent to randomly selected licensees that have recently completed continuing education. This would give the Board information regarding the courses, instructors, and providers, and could be used in conjunction with an audit as a measurement tool for compliance with the

regulations.

After discussion a motion was offered by Mr. Dyer and seconded by Mr. Pace to accept the recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "yes" were: Ayres, Chowdhuri, Dowdy, Dyer, Magruder, Mitchell, Smith, Oliver, Pace, and Vander Pol. Middleton and Giesen were absent.

Since it is 10:30 am the Board will now hear Disciplinary cases and then return to this matter following the hearing of the Consent Orders.

~~The Board will now hear Disciplinary case files.~~

**Disciplinary
Case Files:**

~~In the matter of Disciplinary File Number 2013-03299, Stony Point Construction Co., Inc., the Board members reviewed the record, which consisted of the disciplinary file, transcript, exhibits, and Summary of the Informal Fact Finding Conference of the presiding Board representative.~~

**File Number
2013-03299
Stony Point
Construction
Co., Inc.**

~~Stony Point Construction Co., Inc., did not appear at the Board meeting.~~

~~Presiding officers, Mr. Vander Pol, Mr. Murrow and Mr. Dyer were not present did not participate in the discussion and did not vote. The Board reviewed a handout for this case.~~

~~After discussion a motion was made by Mr. Dowdy and seconded by Mr. Pace to adopt the Summary in part of the Informal Fact Finding Conference finding violations of the Boards December 1, 2012 Regulations: The report of findings and Summary are incorporated as part of the Order.~~

~~Count 1: 18 VAC 50-22-260.B.9~~

~~Count 2: 18 VAC 50-22-260.B.31~~

~~Count 3: 18 VAC 50-22-260.B.33 (Two Violations)~~

~~The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "yes" were: Ayres, Chowdhuri, Dowdy, Magruder, Mitchell, Oliver and Pace, Middleton and Giesen were absent. Smith had not arrived. Mr. Dyer and Mr. Vander Pol did not vote.~~

~~Larry Yancey for Stony Point Construction Co., Inc. arrived. Mr. Dowdy offered a motion seconded by Mr. Pace to reopen the case because Mr. Yancey appeared.~~

~~The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "yes" were: Ayres,~~

~~Metropolitan Remodeling LLC fails to comply with this condition, then the full monetary penalty will be automatically imposed.~~

~~Also, for violation of Count 3, Metropolitan Remodeling LLC agrees to revocation of its license.~~

~~Additionally, the Board shall waive imposition of the \$1,850.00 monetary penalty and license revocation for Count 3 provided Metropolitan Remodeling LLC satisfies the judgment and provides the Board with proof of the satisfaction within ninety days of the effective date of the Order. If Metropolitan Remodeling LLC fails to comply with these conditions, then the full monetary penalty and license revocation will be automatically imposed.~~

~~A total of \$3,150.00 imposed.~~

~~The motion passed with a unanimous "yes" vote. Members voting yes were: Ayres, Chowdhuri, Dowdy, Dyer, Magruder, Mitchell, Smith, Oliver, Pace, Redifer and Vander Pol. Middleton and Giesen were absent.~~

6) Adopt regulations that place expiration dates on courses, requiring that providers resubmit an application for review after initial approval by the Board.

The Real Estate Board places an expiration date on all courses, requiring that providers submit the course for continuing approval. This ensures that the course material is updated and deemed relevant on a regular basis. Expired courses are not eligible to be counted toward meeting the continuing education requirements.

This would require a regulatory change and a minor change to the current procedures for processing provider applications. It would also result in an increase in the number of applications reviewed by the Board for Contractors Committee, but not necessarily that much more of a burden.

After discussion a motion was offered by Mr. Redifer and seconded by Mr. Dyer to accept the recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "yes" were: Ayres, Chowdhuri, Dowdy, Dyer, Magruder, Mitchell, Smith, Oliver, Pace, and Vander Pol. Middleton and Giesen were absent.

7) Amend the current regulations to bring education providers on as Regulators that would require the submission of fees, regular renewal, and specific eligibility criteria.

Currently, providers/courses are approved by the Board for Contractors at no cost to the providers. Additionally, the only "sanction" available to the Board is to "unapproved" a provider or a course. Shifting the standard to

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something of the same level as the licensees would give the Board more flexibility with regards to the eligibility requirements, approval standards, reporting requirements, auditing procedures, etc. It would also provide a progressive disciplinary path that is more than just simply "off/on."

This would mirror the education sections currently in place in other Board sections and would likely include the adoption of the majority of their procedures. This would entail a major overhaul of the regulations and would have a fiscal impact on the Board.

After discussion a motion was offered by Mr. Redifer and seconded by Mr. Dyer to accept the recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "yes" were: **Ayres, Chowdhuri, Dowdy, Dyer, Magruder, Mitchell, Smith, Oliver, Pace, and Vander Pol. Middleton and Giesen were absent.**

8) Amend the current regulations to allow an individual to complete an examination in lieu of having to complete the continuing education requirements.

There is currently no option that would allow an individual to take an examination or to use some other form of assessment/certification, which would exempt them from the requirements of completing continuing education. Colorado, for example, has licensees complete an assessment on their knowledge of the applicable codes and, based on that assessment, determines the continuing education requirement. This could be crafted to determine a range of options from no continuing education requirement to an increased amount of continuing education, to targeted continuing education. The Colorado requirements are relatively new, resulting in very limited data available to review.

This model, or one based on it, would be the most efficient method of implementing a continuing education requirement. It would ensure that individuals are required to complete an amount of education that is based on their ability to demonstrate their knowledge, in the specific areas that they need training. The down side is that it may actually require legislation, it could have a significant fiscal impact, and could have an effect on the availability of courses.

After discussion a motion was offered by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Oliver not to accept the recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "yes" were: **Ayres, Chowdhuri, Dowdy, Dyer, Magruder, Mitchell, Smith, Oliver, Pace, and Vander Pol. Middleton and Giesen were absent.**