



**MEETING OF THE  
ICC INDUSTRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
DRAFT MINUTES**

**March 12, 2012  
National Institute of Building Sciences (NIBS)  
1090 Vermont Avenue NW  
Suite 700  
Washington, DC 20005**

**March 12<sup>th</sup> : 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm**

**1. Call to Order- Chair Burton**

Chair Burton called the meeting to order at 12:04 P.M. Henry Green with NIBS provided some welcoming remarks and Ron thanked NIBS for hosting the meeting.

**2. Self Introductions**

**2.1 Identify new members**

No new members identified

**2.2 Establish quorum (20 minimum)**

A quorum was declared. See Appendix A for a list of attendees.

**3. Approve Agenda (posted)**

Add 12.2 ICC Foundation update and 12.3 ANSI/ISO TAG 8

**4. Approval of November 22, 2011 IAC Meeting Minutes (posted)**

Approved

**5. IAC Administration**

**5.1 Chair's Report**

The chair noted the following:

- There are no outstanding IAC task group activities
- The number of ICC committee activities has increased this past year (CTC, Ad Hoc Healthcare, 4 Code Action Committees), each holding open meetings. IAC members noted that at the same time, this puts a strain on industry resources to attend all the meetings. It was noted that the IAC will be following the activities of the new Code Action Committees and provide feedback to the ICC Board.
- The 2011 cycle has been completed, resulting in the 2012 IgCC and ISPSC being published.
- ICC has initiated the cdpACCESS project which is intended to provide for increased opportunities for participant input into the Code Development Process as well as remote voting on Final Action Agenda items.

**6. IAC Activities**

There are currently no outstanding IAC activities.

**7. ICC Codes & Standards Activities**

**7.1 2012 IgCC**

**7.1.1 Scope of IgCC with respect to residential (ICC 700) and ASHRAE 189.1**

Mike Pfeiffer told the IAC that the next Board of Directors conference call would include these two scoping issues which fall under the purview of the Board in accordance with CP 28. He added that there were 35 code changes considered regarding ICC 700 and ASHRAE 189.1, and they would be considered as advisory votes, as had been previously indicated in the code change documents.

**7.2 2012/2013 Cycle**

The potential for lengthy hearings in Group B exists due to the number of codes being considered and resulting volume of code changes. There are cross over issues between the IECC and IgCC that could be adversely affected. Group A code changes to be posted today. The hearing schedule notes a change to a noon start on Sunday due to Membership Councils and cdpACCESS update meetings prior to the start of the hearings.

**7.2.1 Updated CP 28**

CP 28 has been updated with enhanced procedural requirements to address the need for cost benefit documentation and how they can impact the disposition of code changes. A process is being developed to ensure proper voting credentials for participation in the Final Action Hearings. Updated CP #28 posted at [www.iccsafe.org/updatecdp](http://www.iccsafe.org/updatecdp)

### **7.3 Codes and Standards Committee Activities**

Mike described the change in the process described in CP #28 to update standards. Chair Burton asked if anyone had any problems with changes to standards, none were voiced. Mike announced the upcoming Codes and Standards related committee meeting dates.

### **7.4 Next SDO Roundtable**

Dominic Sims announced the intent to meet with key SDO's, tentatively scheduled for May 17<sup>th</sup>.

## **8. ICC Board Activities - ICC Board liaison report**

Steve Jones described Bill Dupler appointments to the cdpACCESS steering committee. Jones asked the IAC to 'Give us your opinion' and to 'Please participate.' He described the goal of remote voting by 2015 for the creation of the 2018 codes. Mike Gardner described the role of the IAC as represented by himself and Ron Burton on the committee along with 14 code officials. He said, 'Testimony is secondary, industry does not want any change to how testimony occurs.' Steve Jones reviewed the up-coming schedule of Board meetings.

### **8.1 Remote Participation Steering Committee**

Following the ICC Board acting on the Code Development Adhoc Review Committee (CDRAC) report, the Board has established a committee to investigate ways for enhanced and increased participation in the process. The effort is called cdpACCESS and the committee has had its initial meeting in late January. A website will be created in order to provide updates and a mechanism to receive input. It was noted that the Fire Service Membership Council has weighed in on this activity with a list of concerns.

## **9. ICC Governmental Relation Activities**

### **9.1 Federal Legislative & Regulatory**

Dave Karmol described how the Hazardous Material Transportation Act requires any standard adopted by the DOT to be posted for free. He said they have been meeting with SDO's and the House Transportation Committee. He said also that they have been working on a concern related to DOE's ability to produce their own energy codes if energy conservation targets are not met.

### **9.2 State & Local**

#### **9.2.1 Code adoptions**

Justin Wiley said Alabama is adopting the 2009 IRC and IECC and Maryland is going through their process to allow state training money to be allocated. Ron Burton expressed concern over jurisdictions skipping cycles over 'specific issues' or skipping adoptions because they don't have money to do it. Steve Jones added that code officials are writing memos to their administrators indicating that they are understaffed and unable to fulfill all of their enforcement duties. Dom commented that the premise is that the newer codes are more burdensome. Ryan Colker noted that NIBS Consultative Council put out a fact sheet on codes and standards.

## **10. ICC-ES Activities**

### **10.1 Report of ES Activities**

#### **10.1.1 ICC-ES Environmental Committee**

Mike Gardner presented the report, describing creation of environmental standards as rules for evaluating a product. Consideration of subjects included design life and recycled content.

## **11. Old Business**

### **11.1 IAC Survey Update**

Jay Younger discussed the status of the IAC survey. Debra Ballen of IBHS discussed the rating the states program regarding hurricane preparedness as evaluating their code enforcement and licensing of contractors. Mike Gardner asked if the ICC is going to do anything about going after people who post its' content without permission. He said that hurts the SDO's.

## **12. New Business**

### **12.1 Training Opportunities (3:00 pm)**

Dave Dufrense provided a presentation regarding training, noting 3 areas of focus:

- Instructional design
- Content development
- Member engagement and delivery

He described 'more engaging content' and e-learning courses delivered on-line. Ron asked the IAC members in attendance if they had any T&E issues to share based on their respective organizations.

## 12.2 ICC Foundation update (new item)

Items of note:

- Leslie Chapman-Henderson reported on the Code of Honor scholarship program. 'We did have a great success, 94 governmental members received Code of Honor scholarships to attend the 2011 Final Action Hearings.' She also discussed obtaining the Presidential proclamation and contributions to the Code of Honor program.
- Leslie briefed the IAC on the activities of Building Safety Month to be held May 1 – 31.

## 12.3 ANSI/ISO TAG 8 (new item)

There was not enough time to discuss this item. Ron noted that there will be some follow up communications via email on this after the meeting.

## 13. Next IAC Meeting

13.1 Next meeting: TBD

## 14. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

*Staff note: An IAC meeting overview was distributed to the IAC on March 21, 2012, recapping many of these agenda items. It is provided in Appendix B to these minutes.*

Websites:

IAC: <http://www.iccsafe.org/cs/IAC/Pages/default.aspx>

Code Development: <http://www.iccsafe.org/cs/codes/Pages/default.aspx>

Code Development/Council Policies: <http://www.iccsafe.org/AboutICC/Pages/policies.aspx>

Government Relations: <http://www.iccsafe.org/gr/Pages/default.aspx>

**Appendix A**  
**IAC Meeting Attendees**  
**March 12, 2012**

Ron Burton	BOMA
Michael Gardner	GA
Bob Wible	Fiatech
Mike Ennis	SPRI
Nancy McNabb	NIST
Daniel Lea	CIMA
Jennifer Goupil	ASCE/SEI
Ryan Colker	NIBS
Eric Lacey	RECA
Jake Pauls	APHA
James Stahl	IFC
Matt Senecal	ACI
Bruce Swiecicki	NPGA
Jeff Hugo	NFSA
Pat McLaughlin	SIA
Richard Craig	CGA
Bob James	UL
Vickie Lovell	Intercode Inc.
Ken Charles	SJI
Dave Johnston	EIMA
Debra Ballen	IBHS
Jim Tidwell	Fire Manufacturer Association
Dave Tyree	BOMA
Thomas Phillips	Target
Bill Levan	CISPI
Dick Church	PPFA
John Woestman	XPSA
Via phone:	
Steve Ferguson	ASHRAE
Theresa Weston	Dupont
Len Swatkowski	PMI
Dan Taddei	National Assoc of Remodeler Industry
Jay Larson	AISI
Jim Kenzel	ASPE
Jeff Shapiro	NMHC
ICC:	
Tom Frost	ICC
Mike Pfeiffer	ICC
David Karmol	ICC
Justin Wiley	ICC
Josh Batkin	ICC
Dom Sims	ICC
Steve Jones	ICC BOD
Jay Younger	McKinley Advisors (ICC consultant)

## APPENDIX B



IAC Meeting Overview: March 12, 2012 (distributed to IAC via email on March 21, 2012)

- The new 2012 IgCC should be available by the end of March
- The ICC Board of Directors confirmed the code change recommendation from the 2011 Final Action Hearings which allow permit applicants-- rather than the authority having jurisdiction-- to decide whether to use 189.1 as a path of compliance with the IgCC. Low-rise residential buildings: IRC scoped buildings, R-3, and R-2/ R-4 that are four stories and less in height, will not be regulated in the IgCC. However, each jurisdiction has the flexibility to decide to include these structures in the scope of the IgCC through meeting the provisions of ICC 700. Residential occupancies of five stories and higher must comply with the IgCC, and have three paths to meeting the code: Comply with the IgCC; comply with ASHRAE 189.1; or comply with ICC 700.
- The new 2012 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSA) is published and available.
- The 2012 Group A Code Development Hearings will be held in Dallas on April 29 – May 8. The hearing schedule and code changes are posted. Click [here](#)
- Codes and Standards committees: ICC now has four Code Action Committees (CAC): Building; Fire; Sustainability, Energy & High Performance; and PMG. A joint meeting of these 4 CAC's is slated for March 22-23. The Ad Hoc Healthcare committee will be meeting April 3 - 4. The Code Technology Committee will be meeting April 10 - 11. All these meetings are in support of the upcoming 2012 Group A Code Development Hearings noted above. More information on these committees can be found [here](#).
- A committee has been appointed by the Board of Directors to implement a three year plan to employ technology to enhance participation in the ICC Code Development Process, including e-voting for Final Action. The link is [cdpACCESS](#)
- Current ICC code adoptions and activities can be on the [GR portion](#) of the ICC website.
- ICC ES has a new ICC ES Environmental Committee which will be active in developing criteria for products and systems under the IgCC and IECC. [Click here](#) for more information.
- ICC currently offers several educational opportunities for its members. Most are designed for code officials, however ICC seeks opportunities for collaboration with IAC members on future educational offerings. This discussion will be carried forward to the next IAC meeting.
- The IAC is putting together panel discussions on topics of interest to IAC members. The panel will be comprised of members from state and local jurisdictions, industry, and public interest organizations.
- Formal minutes will be posted on the [IAC website](#).

On March 13<sup>th</sup> a follow up email was sent to the IAC noting:

- A petition submitted to the National Archives and Records Administration regarding availability of regulatory documents incorporated by reference in the codes
- Information concerning the upcoming Building Safety Month in May
- ANSI's solicitation of comments on potential ISO international building code standards. ICC is also coordinating a response with the SDO's to be submitted to ANSI, it follows on page 2 and 3. The deadline for the submittal to ANSI is March 23<sup>rd</sup> – if your organization is interested in signing on to the letter, please let Dave Karmol @ [dkarmol@iccsafe.org](mailto:dkarmol@iccsafe.org) know by close of business on March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Steven P. Cornish, ANSI Senior Director, International Policy  
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Dear Mr. Cornish:

Recently, ANSI has requested the input of the public and members of its ANSI ISO Council Members on a survey that was put forth by the ISO/TAG 8 reporting to the ISO/TMB, on standards in the area of building design. The undersigned U.S.- based developers of internationally accepted standards and codes in the area of building design and construction believe that ANSI should offer a strong response to the ISO survey that reflects the broad consensus of the U.S. building standards and codes community.

The undersigned organizations agree that the following responses to the survey questions express their views, and urge ANSI to incorporate these elements into the ANSI response. At the same time, some of the below listed organizations also intend to submit their own, individual responses, reflecting specific concerns and views.

Q1. Should ISO work on a series of standards dealing with the design of structures?

1. No, ISO should not begin work on a series of standards dealing with the design and construction of structures, for the following reasons:
  - a. No gap exists in the available standards and codes that now are used and applied in this area of standardization. This will only serve to cause confusion in the global marketplace with redundancies. The creation of an additional international building code intended to address these issues would be a clear duplication of the current portfolio of standards and not aligned with the principle of coherence as outlined in the World Trade Organization's Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade. Existing internationally accepted standards and codes are serving many nations around the world, and have successfully been adapted, modified and adopted in many nations.
  - b. The nature of construction is such that locally sourced materials, as well as local customs and building practices, are an integral part of building design, that will not likely be influenced by a new series of standards.
  - c. International standards need to be relevant and to effectively respond to regulatory and market needs, as well as scientific and technological developments in various countries. The current portfolio of international standards has served those needs. Additional standards could distort the global marketplace and would place more burdens on technical experts currently working on standards and code development.

Q2. If yes, which system of standards could be taken as a basis to develop the series?

2. If ISO determines to begin a series of standards in this area, it should utilize by normative reference as a basis for such work the codes and standards that are used in the largest number of construction starts annually, as well as those codes and standards which have been adopted most widely outside their national borders. ANSI believes those codes and standards to be the codes and standards developed in the U.S., by internationally recognized developers such as National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), International Code Council (ICC), International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO), ASTM International, American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), ASHRAE, Air-Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI), AISI, American Concrete Institute (ACI), Engineered Wood Association (APA), American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), Underwriters Laboratories (UL), and others.

Q3. Would you be interested in taking an active part in any development work identified as a result of this feedback (national body active participation means, at minimum, commenting on the drafts).

3. Yes, ANSI will take part in any development work that is identified as a result of this feedback, as we are most concerned to avoid unnecessary duplication and conflict with existing codes and standards.

Sincerely,

ASTM International  
International Code Council