



**MEETING OF THE ICC INDUSTRY ADVISORY
COMMITTEECOMMITTEE**

DRAFT MINUTES

**April 1, 2008
Building Owners and Managers Association
1101 15th Street
Washington, D.C. 20005**

April 1st : 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm

1. Call to Order- Chair Kraus

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm on April 1, 2008.

2. Self Introductions

2.1 Identify new members

New IAC members were noted as follows:

Alliance for Fire and Smoke Containment and Control – Mike Ashley
American Institute of Building Design – David Velderman
Associated Builders & Contractors – John Rave
International Firestop Council – James Stahl, Jr
US Department of Agriculture – Larry Fleming

It was further noted that the ICC Board has established a Board liaison to the IAC – Jimmy Brothers who was in attendance.

2.2 Establish quorum (20 minimum)

The chair announced that a quorum was established.

3. Approve Agenda

Agenda approved with Items 6.1 and 6.3 being held until the next meeting. Item 8.0 will be held once ICC Governmental Relations staff arrives from the ICC HQ.

4. Approval of September 30, 2007 IAC Meeting Minutes

Approved as submitted.

5. Chair's Report

Chair Kraus thanked the staff and task group chairs for their work. He also noted that it is important that when a member volunteers for an activity such as an IAC task group, that they participate.

6. IAC Activities

6.1 Task Group Report - Representation and Funding

Held until next meeting.

6.2 Task Group Report - IAC Membership

a. Proposed revisions to IAC procedures and Council Policy #6

The IAC discussed the document entitled "IAC April 1, 2008 Meeting Agenda Item 6.2". Issues noted:

- The issue arose due to an IAC member for whom there was not an association to represent them was appointed to the IAC
- The consensus of the group was that the IAC should be comprised of associations which represent the interests of individual companies
- The creation of an association which represents individual companies can be readily achieved
- The IAC was originally created due to the concern that industry could not serve on the ICC Board and as such, needed a voice for which their concerns would be forwarded directly to the Board
- At the September/2007 IAC meeting, the phrase "not for profit" was deleted. The IAC

reconsidered this deletion, noting that the IAC should be limited to “non profits” – all in attendance concurred that they were considered non profits

- Questions arose as to IAC members who represent public agencies:
 - If considered Governmental Member Representatives per the ICC By-laws, should they be eligible to be on the IAC. A straw vote was taken with the majority noting that if the agency can vote at the Final Action Hearings, then they should not be eligible to vote as a member of the IAC
 - It was noted that federal agency participation on the IAC may or may not be impacted based on whether the agency has a vote. Individuals of some agencies need not be voting members but still want to be a member of the IAC in order for their agency to fund their participation

The Report will be issued to the full IAC to solicit comments. The resulting comments will be brought forth at the next IAC meeting.

6.3 Order and testimony at ICC hearings

Held until next meeting

6.4 IAC Rules – Past IAC Chair as member of IAC Executive Committee

a. Proposed revisions to IAC procedures

The proposed revision to Section 1 of the IAC procedures was approved as modified to read: “The IAC’s executive committee shall be the officers of the IAC, the immediate past Chairman of the IAC and six (6) other members appointed by the IAC Chairman and confirmed by a majority vote of the IAC.”

6.5 ICC co-branding green building initiatives

Ken Bland briefed the group about concerns raised to the ICC Board regarding ICC’s co-branding of educational materials and the perception of ICC endorsing green rating systems which are not developed in a consensus process. This led to a broad discussion of ICC activities related to “green” activities:

- ICC ES is undertaking green related evaluations of products where the manufacturer notes the product being “green”
- ICC Certified Green Building Inspector
- ICC’s green activities has a web page: <http://www.iccsafe.org/news/green/index.html>
- There is confusion relative to mandatory green activities vs voluntary green activities
- What is the criteria for determining green provisions?
- What is the role of the code official?
- What should be ICC’s role relative to green activities?

The IAC discussed the following motion as proposed by Ken:

The IAC requests that the ICC Board of Directors:

1. Establish policy/criteria defining the technical characteristics of a:
 - A) green building product,
 - B) green building rating system, and
 - C) green building certified inspector.
2. A minimum of 1/3 of the membership on any green building related committee (ICC, ICC-ES, IAS) shall be appointed by the IAC.
3. Support only those green building rating systems that are developed in accordance with approved ANSI procedures.

After a considerable amount of discussion and re-working of the motion, the IAC agreed to the following request to be forwarded to the ICC Board. It was further noted that while directed to the

ICC Board, this issue impacts the ICC subsidiary boards as well:

“The IAC expresses concern over the proliferation of green building products and rating systems and requests a report on ICC’s current policies, activities and plans related to green buildings. The IAC has formed a task group to develop recommendations to assist in this effort.”

The following volunteered to serve on the task group: Ken Bland, Jonathan Humble, Julie Ruth, Mike Gardner, David Velderman, Chip Henderson, Eric Lacey, Kate Offringa, Dick Church, Bob James, David Harris, Jimmy Brothers and an NAHB staff member.

7. ICC Codes & Standards Activities

Staff noted the following:

7.1 2008 Code Development Hearings

- Track 1 hearings lasted approximately 139 hours (14% longer than anticipated)
- Track 2 hearings lasted approximately 110 hours (15 % longer than anticipated)
- Only two code committees completed their agenda on time or ahead of schedule – IBC Fire Safety and IFC
- See agenda item 10.1 for the three members forums held
- The Report of Hearings is scheduled to be posted April 4th. Public comments due June 9th

7.2 2008 Final Action Hearings – September 17 – 23, 2008 Minneapolis, MN

- The hearing order will be the reverse of the 2007 Rochester Final Action Hearings: IFC first; IFGC last.

7.3 Codes and Standards Committee Activities

In the interest of time, staff did not go over all codes and standards activities, just noted:

- The ICC/NAHB Green Building Standard has been completed and forwarded to ANSI for approval as an ANS Standard. Once approved it will be published.
- The ICC board approved the establishment of a new code committee to hear all changes dealing with Chapter 1 of all the I-Codes except for the IRC. This will be effective with the 2009/2010 cycle.

8. ICC Governmental Relation Activities

8.1 National

8.2 Federal

On the National and Federal level, Mark Dinneen, VP of Congressional Relations, noted the following:

- ICC’s top legislative priority is the Community Building Code Administration Grant Act of 2007
- Building Safety week will be the week of May 5th –over 120 Capitol Hill visits by ICC Board members and staff are planned
- A report on the Wildland Urban Interface is due out shortly
- In response to OSHA’s advance notice of federal rule making regarding the IBC and IFC as complying with workplace egress rules, OSHA has received over 120 comments - all favorable except two
- ICC is working on HHS/CMS recognition of the IBC and IFC as an acceptable alternative to NFPA 101 relative to medicare/medicaid

8.3 Interoperability

Dave Conover, Sr. Advisor, Government Relations, presented a Power Point presentation on ICC’s Smart Codes. The Power Point is posted at: <http://www.iccsafe.org/SMARTcodes/index.html>

9. ICC-ES Activities

9.1 ES Advisory Committee (ESAC)

Mike Gardner, a member of the committee noted:

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- ICC ES is looking into evaluation of reports for which green building related declarations are made by the manufacturer
- ICC ES Appeals procedures for technical issues are being developed
- There are currently 4 task groups which are reviewing the hearing process for acceptance criteria

9.2 ES Review Committee

Staff noted that the final report of the committee was accepted by the ICC Board at the May/2007 Board meeting. As such, no further activity is planned.

10. ICC Board Activities

10.1 Task Force on Hearings

Staff noted some of the comments received at the 3 members forums held at the 2008 code development hearings in Palm Springs:

- Go to a two year cycle; no interim supplement; cycle split into 2 code development hearings and 1 final action hearing
- Keep current system
- No more than 2 tracks at the code development hearings
- Some members favor a 4 year cycle, others don't
- Some noted remote voting may not be a good idea; others thought proctored remote voting sites may be ok
- Hearing testimony twice on the same code changes (ie IECC and IRC energy related code changes) should not occur. One committee should hear it once
- On the subject of modifications at the code development hearings, different views were offered: too many modifications considered – takes too much time; modifications should be eliminated; keep modification process as is: post modifications in advance of the hearings.

The task force will be meeting to review the comments received and is expected to issue its recommendations to the Board this summer.

10.2 ICC Membership Ad Hoc Committee

Nothing to report

11. Old Business

As was recommended at the last IAC meeting, the meeting host (BOMA) offered call-in capabilities to listen to the IAC discussion. It was noted that no one called in.

12. New Business

None

13. Next IAC Meeting/Draft Agenda Items

13.1 Next meeting: TBD

The next meeting of the IAC will be held during the week of August 4th at the AF & PA's headquarters in Washington D.C.

13.2 Draft Agenda Items

No action

14. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Website: <http://www.iccsafe.org/cs/cc/iac/>

Attachment A

April 1, 2008 Meeting Attendees

IAC Member	Name
Alliance for Fire and Smoke Containment and Control	Mike Ashley
American Institute of Building Design	David Velderman
American Petroleum Institute	Richard Kraus
American Fire Alarm Association	Tom Hammerberg
American Forest and Paper Assn.	Ken Bland
American Architectural Manufacturers Association	Julie Ruth
American Iron and Steel Institute	Jonathan Humble
American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air- Conditioning Engineers	Steve Ferguson
Associated Builders & Contractors	John Rave
Automotive Oil Change Association	David Hammerman
Building Owners and Managers Assoc. Intl	Ron Burton
Cellulose Insulation Manufacturers Association	Daniel Lea
The Chlorine Institute, Inc.	Jeff Shapiro
Door and Access Systems Manufactures	Jay Johnson
Door and Hardware Institute	Jerry Heppes
Federal Emergency Management Assoc.	Mike Mahoney
Gypsum Association	Mike Gardner
International Firestop Council	James Stahl, Jr.
National Association of Home Builders	Ed Sutton
National Electrical Manufactures Association	Marty Brett
National Institute of Building Science	David Harris
National Multi-Housing Council	Ron Nickson
North American Insulation Manufactures Association	Harry Misuriello
North American Insulation Manufactures Association	Kate Offringa
Plastic Pipe and Fittings Association	Dick Church
Portland Cement Association	Jim Messersmith
Responsible Energy Codes Alliance	Eric Lacey
Semiconductor Industry Association	Pat McLaughlin
Single Ply Roofing Industry	Mike Ennis
Underwriters Laboratories Inc.	Bob James
U.S Department of Agriculture	Larry Fleming
U.S Department of Agriculture	Bill Downs
U.S. Green Building Council	Chip Henderson
Other	
ICC Board	James Brothers