

ICC Industry Advisory Committee
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

August 9, 2005
Underwriters Laboratories
Northbrook, IL 60062
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1. **Call to order**

Chair Julie Ruth called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M

2. **Approve Agenda**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda.
The motion passed unanimously.

3. **Self Introductions**

Those present introduced themselves. They were:

IAC Committee Members

Representing

Jonathan Humble
Richard Kraus
Ralph Vasami
Stephen Szoke
Martin Brett
Donald Rowson
Pat McLaughlin
Richard Church
Alan Thomas
John Valiulis
Michael Gardner
Howard Hopper
Robert Kelly
Tom Hammerberg
Dave Frable
Will Warlick
Robert Hackworth
Ron Nickson
Dan Lea
Joe Hetzel

American Iron & Steel Institute
American Petroleum Institute
Builders Hardware Manuf. Assoc.
Portland Cement Assoc.
National Electrical Manuf Assoc.
CSPA
Semiconductor Industry Assoc.
Plastic Pipe and Fittings Assoc.
CISPI
International Firestop Council
Gypsum Assoc.
Underwriters Laboratory
Vinyl Siding Institute
Automatic Fire Alarm Assoc.
U.S. General Services Admin.
Wood Truss Council of America
Steel Joist Institute
National Multi Housing Council
Cellulose Insulation Manuf. Assoc.
Door and Access Systems Manuf.
Assoc. International
Steel Tube Institute
American Society of Testing Materials
National Assoc. of Home Builders
Wired Glass Industry
Society of Fire Protection Engineers
American Architectural Manuf. Assoc.

Elaine Thompson
Jim Olshefsky
Jeff Inks
Thom Zaremba
Chris Jelenewicz
Julie Ruth

August Sisco	National Assoc. of Architectural Metal Manuf.
Wayne Geyer	Steel Tank Institute & Steel Plate Fabricators Assoc.
Steve Ferguson	American Society of Heating, Refrigerating & Air-Conditioning Engineers
Dave Roodvoets	SPRI
Kevin Kelly	National Fire Sprinkler Assoc.

Guests:

Jerry Heppes	DHI
Jason McJury	IBTS

Staff:

Tom Frost
Mike Pfeiffer
Steven Thorsell
Lauren Crane

4. Approval of March 16, 2005 IAC Meeting Minutes

Pat McLaughlin noted that SIA should be listed as a member organization. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as revised. **The motion passed unanimously.**

5. Chairman's Report

Chairman Ruth thanked those present for their attendance. She also thanked UL for their hospitality in allowing the IAC to meet at UL's Northbrook facility and conducting a tour of their testing facility. She concluded the remarks by noting that the reason for the meeting was to allow action taken by the IAC at this meeting to be communicated to the ICC Board of Directors at their next meeting, which is scheduled to be held shortly before the ICC Annual Business Meeting in September.

6. Staff Report on ICC Activities

Mike Pfeiffer gave the report on behalf of staff.

6.11 Copyright agreement on code change proposals

Mike Pfeiffer indicated that the Board declined to accept the IAC recommendation on this matter and chose to maintain the alternative agreement while including only the exclusive agreement in the Procedures. Mr. Pfeiffer noted that both versions have been posted to the website.

6.12 Webcast

Mike Pfeiffer reported that the Final Action Hearings in Detroit would be web cast. Several IAC members expressed appreciation that the Board continues to fund this service.

6.2.1 Web cast – Mac Users

Staff reported that Mac users could access the web cast by using a version of MediaPlayer which is a free download which will be linked on ICC's web cast web page.

6.2.2 IAC Support for Wireless Internet in Hearing Room

Mike Pfeiffer pointed out that to fulfill the IAC request for a DSL or T1 line to support wireless internet in Detroit would cost \$1,000.00. Following discussion, Ron Nickson volunteered to secure IAC funding for this, securing pledges from 10 members to contribute \$100.00 each. IAC requested that ICC arrange for funding of this activity in the future.

6.2.3 Commercialism of Hearings

Mike Pfeiffer reported that there will be no advertising in the hearing room or on the web cast, as requested by the IAC at its last meeting, in order to protect the integrity of the code development process.

6.3 Committee Activities

6.3.1 Code Related

Mike Pfeiffer reported that the Final Action Agenda had been posted July 27, 2005 and hard copies would be mailed out in the near future. He stated that due to the number of Public Comments received, the hearings would take 5 days. The hearing order was discussed, including the coordination of Plumbing & Mechanical hearing schedules with IAPMO so that interested parties may attend both organizations hearings, if necessary.

Mike discussed the activities of the following committees:

- Code Technology Committee
- Administrative Ad Hoc Committee
- Existing Building Code Ad Hoc Committee
- Hazard Abatement Code Drafting Committee
- Referenced Standards Committee
- Alcohol (disinfectant) Ad Hoc Committee
- Water Temperature and Control Ad Hoc Committee
- Hydrogen Ad Hoc Committee

6.3.2 Standard Related

The following standard development activities were reported:

Hurricane Resistant Construction Standard has changed to an ad hoc code development effort.

Log Standard-ICC received 300 comments on the draft and the committee will meet to consider these comments.

Storm Shelter Standard- To be completed in January 2006 pending the resolution of the missile impact testing issue.

ANSI A117-Maintenance on-going

MHCSS (Manufactured Housing)-No activity at present. Committee appointed.

Bleacher Standard-No activity at present. Committee appointed.

In response to a question regarding the status of the ICC low-cost sprinkler standard, staff responded that a number of comments were received in response to the filing of the PINS announcing ICC's intent to create such a standard. The majority of these comments recommended that ICC work within the existing standard development process. In response to this input, the ICC created an ad hoc committee to do just that. Development of an ICC sprinkler standard has been held in abeyance pending completion of this activity.

6.3.3 Other

Reports were provided on two other ICC committee activities:

Ad Hoc Terrorist Resistant Building Committee (TRB)

Disaster Response Committee (DRC)

6.4.1 I-Code Adoptions

It was reported that the ICC website contains reports on the federal, state and local adoptions. There have been 307 IBC adoptions so far this year and 1077 total adoptions. The websites are:

www.iccsafe.org/government/federal.xls

www.iccsafe.org/government/stateadoptions.xls

www.iccsafe.org/government/jurisdictionadoption.xls

6.5 Federal Activities

Staff read a statement from Dave Conover, indicating that ICC is working with numerous federal agencies, encouraging their participation in code-related and adoption related activities.

6.6 National Activities

No Report

7. ICC Task Group on Floor Modifications

Report- Dave Frable, task group chair, presented the report, indicating that the Task Group had 2 teleconferences in May and June. The IAC task group was balloted with the ballot being split into two issues:

1. Everything as proposed except item 5.5.2(2)(V). Eight votes in favor, 1 against.
2. Item 5.5.2(2)(V) passed 5 to 4. The chair did not vote.

In June, the entire IAC was balloted. Of the more than 90 IAC members, 27 members returned ballots. Seventeen approved, 4 approved with comments and 6 disapproved. Staff summarized the ballot comments received.

It was moved and seconded to present the report to the ICC Board as the recommendation of the IAC. Following extensive discussion, it was moved and seconded to amend the task force recommendations to require notification of floor modifications at the beginning of each committee hearing. Following further discussion **this motion failed**.

It was then moved and seconded to delete item IV. This motion was subsequently withdrawn. It was moved and seconded to approve the report with a modification, delete the last line of 5.4.3 "Modifications", the last 2 lines of 5.5.2(1) "Submission of Written Copies" and the words "...and made available..." from 5.5.2(2)(i). Following further discussion **this motion passed 20/7** with the stated expectation that it be forwarded to the ICC Board of Directors. Chairman Dave Frable recommended that this task force be sunsetted. The Chair directed that the task group recess, pending action by the Board. Chairman Ruth then directed that the Task Group develop a narrative of their recommendations for the Board.

8. ICC Task Group on Green Buildings Rating Systems Report

Dick Church presented the report for Chairman Ken Bland, discussing the mission, objective and deliverables of the task group. He characterized the deliverables as consisting of 2 elements

- a. Review of the LEED green building rating system and,
- b. Comparison of LEED to Green Globes.

Mr. Church concluded that “The Task Force does not have a recommendation at this point.” Chairman Ruth agreed to report this task group’s work to the Board as an on-going activity.

9. IAC Task Group on ES Acceptance Criteria

John Valiulis presented the report for absent Chair John Taecker. He discussed the concerns provided to ICC-ES senior management Nosse, Nichols and Stochlia. Following further discussion, it was moved and seconded to accept the report and forward it to the ICC-ES and ICC Boards. A motion to amend the report, deleting the last two lines of the second bullet under d. “Recommended Actions’ was made and seconded. Following discussion **the motion failed 9/13. The main motion referring the report to the Boards as submitted passed unanimously.**

10. ICC Standards Guide Task Group Report

Jonathan Humble introduced this item. It was moved and seconded to recommend that staff review and place an updated version of the guide on the website, deleting the bibliography. **This motion passed unanimously.**

11. IAC Rules for Conduct of Task Groups

This topic was divided by the Chair into two issues:

1. “Who is allowed to participate in a Task Group, IAC members only?”
The Chair cited article VII, section 3 “Member Designees”. It was noted that this section should allow IAC members and non-IAC members to be appointed to Task Groups with full voting privileges on the task group. **No further action taken.**
2. “Can a mail ballot be conducted at the will of the IAC or Task Force?”
Section 5 “Voting” was cited. It was concluded that other than as specifically allowed in the procedures, mail ballots are not permitted. It was noted that unless a ballot was called for in accordance with the procedures, amendment to IAC’s Rules and Procedures, and when called for by simple majority attending an IAC meeting, the IAC will conduct its business at the IAC meetings. **No further action taken.**

12. New Business

12.1 Proposed resolution to change to three-1 year code change cycles from the current 18-month cycle

Jonathan Humble asked if the Board recalled the IAC's 1999 recommendations in support of the 18-month cycle? Staff responded that this was a member proposal, not subject to Board review. John Valiulis said that code changes should be based on facts and, 'facts take time'. Dick Church suggested that the resolution should be for a 24-month cycle, not 12. Following further discussion it was moved and seconded to reaffirm the previous IAC position in opposition to a 12-month cycle and in support of an 18-month cycle. Chair Ruth was requested to present this view when the member resolution is discussed at the ICC Annual Business Meeting. **This motion passed unanimously.**

13. Date and location for the next IAC Meeting

February 22, 2006 was tentatively set as the next meeting date, with ASHRAE looking into sponsoring the meeting in Atlanta.

14. Adjourn

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:56 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Frost