

Fire Service Membership Council Governing Committee

Phone Conference Minutes – Tuesday, November 25, 2014 – 12:00 Noon Eastern

IFCC Members	Present	Absent	IFCC Members	Present	Absent
Fulton Cochran – Chair	X		Jackie Gibbs	X	
Scott Adams – Vice Chair		X	Ernie Misewicz	X	
Robert Barnett		X	Kelly Nicolello	X	
Sean DeCrane		X	Marc Sampson	X	
Ronny Coleman	X		Jeff Shapiro	X	
Tonya Hoover	X		Michael Sinsigalli	X	
Rick McCullough		X	Gary West	X	
George Michehl	X		Jim Yates		X
Richard Miller	X		Adolf Zubia	X	
Staff					
Bruce E. Johnson	X		Karla Higgs		X
Rick Hauffe	X		Mark Roberts		X
Guests					
Rich Truitt (Board Liaison)	X		Jim Brown	X	
Ron Hoover	X		Jeff Bechtold	X	

- I. Call to Order by Chairman Cochran at 12:04 p.m. Central on Tuesday, November 25, 2014, with Roll Call (above), and with four members of the ICC Board of Directors participating in the meeting.
- II. Report from cdpACCESS Initiative Work Group

Chairman Cochran said the Work Group had been meeting weekly and had developed the flyer to be distributed to the fire service through its network of organizations. He said the goal is to make sure fire service people in every fire service department and agency sees the flyer and follow its links to register for ICC Governmental Voting Membership before the March 20, 2014 deadline. The flyer will be sent to all of the fire chiefs so that fire service members can vote online on cdpACCESS on the Group A 2018 ICC Codes.

Kelly Nicolello reported his meeting with officials of the National Association of State Fire Marshals resulted in getting the flyer sent out to members in all 50 states by e-mail. Top NASFM officials also conducted a phone conference to encourage participation in the campaign to register fire service personnel to be ICC Voting Members. He said the NASFM website will be used in the campaign and NASFM members will encourage participation in each state.

Adolf Zubia reported the FLSS Board discussed the campaign and said the flyer will be on the International Association of Fire Chiefs website. He said there will more meetings to keep promoting the campaign to register. He said fire chiefs make the critical decision whether to allocate funds for ICC Governmental Memberships.

Ernie Misewicz said the Western Chiefs will be making presentations on code development and the use of cdpACCESS.

Marc Sampson announced the flyer was sent to the Fire Marshals Association in Colorado and that it will be posted on the organization's website. He said it was also sent along to the Missouri Valley Chiefs.

Tonya Hoover requested a version of the flyer be revised for printed handouts. It would require the web addresses be printed on the flyer instead of providing online links. She said space should be used for branding on the flyer to promote the FSMC.

III. Report from each Work Group for 2015 and Committee Discussion

Chairman Cochran announced the assignments for each of the standing Work Groups of the FSMC Governing Committee. He said they will develop their work plans for the next year and report at the next Governing Committee meeting. The reorganized Work Groups are:

Training and Education Work Group

Sean DeCrane, GC Group Leader, Marc Sampson, Robert Barnett and Jeff Shapiro.

Building Safety Month and Fire Prevention Month Work Group

George Michehl, GC Group Leader, Tonya Hoover, Richard Miller, Ernie Misewicz, Adolf Zubia and Jim Yates.

Mentoring Work Group

Mike Sinsigalli, GC Group Leader, Ronny Coleman, Kelly Nicoletto, Gary West and Jackie Gibbs.

IV. Report/Discussion about Joint FSMC-BOMC Joint Training Initiative

Chairman Cochran said he is still waiting on input from the ICC training staff on the class presentation made during the Joint FSMC-BOMC GC meeting at Ft. Lauderdale. Nicoletto, who served as one of the two trainers, said he will probably hear about how the class materials would be reformatted in January.

V. Roundtable

Chairman Cochran introduced the Governing Committee to Richard C. Truitt Sr. as the new ICC Board Liaison to the FSMC GC. Truitt is the Deputy Code Director for Maryland's Harford County. Truitt said he was happy to be appointed to serve as the Board Liaison to the FSMC. ICC Board Member Ron Hoover praised ICC Board Member Bill Bryant for his service on the ICC Board and as the former GC Board Liaison.

Tonya Hoover said she will forward the link to a news story on KGO-TV San Francisco demonstrating how changes in more flammable building materials, furniture and household items make flashover occur much quicker today than in homes built decades ago. She said the news story highlighted the installation of residential fire sprinklers as a life safety device in homes that burn quicker. Chairman Cochran said he will forward a link from Houston's KPRC-TV which similarly focused on homes built with lightweight manufactured wood

Jackie Gibbs announced that lifelong fire service expert and ICC Government Relations staff member Mel Cosgrove will be retiring. He said the fire service benefitted greatly from Cosgrove's organizational work and his contribution to code action committee efforts. Chairman Cochran said he is thankful for Cosgrove's work to build a stronger American fire service.

Gary West said he had just finished a meeting with 320 Tennessee fire inspectors and polled them about their awareness of cdpACCESS. He said only a few inspectors were aware of the online voting program and said much work needs to be done to educate the fire service on this new online tool. He said the fire service in Tennessee recently stopped a political movement to legislate a ban that would prohibit requiring fire sprinkler systems in churches.

Adolf Zubia announced the Fire Life Safety Section recently hired Kevin Scott, former ICC Government Relations staff member and a consultant, to work with FLSS in support of the Fire Code Action Committee work this code cycle. ICC Staff Liaison Bruce Johnson announced the Fire-CAC will meet December 9-10 in Chicago. He said code change proposals will be put into cdpACCESS when they are in their final form. He also said the revised Code Policy 28 goes into effect in the Group A codes to require cost information along with the reason statement on code change proposals.

ICC Board Member Jim Brown announced that Region XI ICC was being formed among the states of Colorado, Utah, Arizona and New Mexico.

VI. Chairman Cochran adjourned the FSMC GC meeting at 12:49 p.m.

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