



**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Fire Service Membership Council (FSMC) Governing Committee
Thursday, January 4, 2018**

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FSMC Members	Representing	Present
Scott Adams – Chair -- Park City Fire District, UT (Retired)	ICC	X
Gary West --Vice Chair -- Tennessee State Fire Marshal, Nashville	NASFM	X
Robert Buxton – Hudson Fire Department, NH	IAFC:NE	
Fulton Cochran -- Clark County Building and Fire Prevention, NV	ICC	
Michael Desrochers – Vermont Fire Marshal’s Office, Barre	NASFM	
Timothy Diehl -- Rockville Fire Marshal’s Office, MD	ICC	X
Joseph Fahd, Jr. – Cohoes Fire Department, NY	IAFC:E	X
Jackie Gibbs -- Marietta Fire Department, GA	IAFC:SE	
Joe McElvaney – Phoenix Fire Department	ICC	X
Rick McCullough -- Regina Fire Department, SK (Retired)	IAFC:C	X
James Maxon – Sandoval County Fire Department, NM	IAFC:SW	X
Randy Metz – Carlsbad Fire Department, CA	IAFC:W	
George Michehl -- Buffalo Grove Fire Department, IL (Retired)	IAFC:GL	
Kelly Nicoletto -- Underwriters Laboratories, TX	NASFM	X
Coy Porter – Utah Fire Marshal’s Office, Salt Lake City	NASFM	X
Christine Reed – Central County Fire Department, CA	ICC	X
Marc Sampson-- Longmont Fire Department, CO	IAFC:MV	X
Adolf Zubia -- A to Z Fire & Code Consulting LLC, Las Cruces, NM	ICC	X

International Code Council (ICC) Staff and Liaisons	
Rob Neale – Staff Liaison to the FSMC	X
Jim H. Brown -- ICC Board of Directors, Gillette, WY	X
Mike Nugent – Liaison to the BOMC, Rock Hill, SC	X
Stuart Tom – Liaison to the ICC Board of Directors, Pasadena, CA	X
Greg Wheeler – ICC Board of Directors, Thornton, CO	X
Mike Boso— ICC Board of Directors, Grove City, OH	X

Registered Guests and Callers	
Jeff Shapiro, International Code Consultants	X
J.C. Harrington – FM Global	X

1) Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Adams at 1:44 pm Eastern Standard Time. Mr. Neale called the roll and a quorum was declared at 1:48 p.m.

2) Openings Remarks from the Chair

Chairman Adams extended a welcome to all those who called in and to the Fire Service Membership Council (FSMC) Governing Committee for their participation.

He reminded callers to make their travel and lodging arrangements for the FSMC and Committee Action Hearing meetings in Columbus in April.

Chairman Adams reminded callers that ICC Fire Service Award and Innovation in Code Administration Award applications are due March 1.

3) New Business

Discussion and recommendation on the ICC draft proposal for Temporary Interim Amendments (TIA). Chairman Adams turned the meeting over to Mr. Shapiro.

Mr. Shapiro summarized the document preamble to explain the proposal is eight years old and recently was resurrected at the Industry Advisory Committee's (IAC) recommendation. Mr. Shapiro chaired a work group with Marshall Klein, Dave Frable, Dick Kraus and Tom Hammerberg.

Without a TIA process, he explained, it could take as long as six years to correct errors that have been identified in the published codes. He cited an example in 2018 where a table included incorrect dimensions that were not caught or corrected during the coded development process and now are part of the code. He explained neither the Code Correlation Committee nor ICC Board of Directors has the authority to fix these errors.

The TIA draft is based on a similar process used by the National Fire Protection Association with additional safeguard to prevent anyone using the TIA process to circumvent the regular code development cycles.

Mr. Shapiro said the document has been circulated among interested parties and all comments have been included. A majority of the IAC recommended it move forward. They are looking for input from larger segment of ICC members, so sent was sent to the Membership Councils for review.

Mr. Nugent asked if the document had been sent to the Building Code Action Committee. Mr. Shapiro said he did not believe this to be a code action committee item, but it was sent to the Building Official Membership Council.

Mr. Harrington asked about the intent of the second paragraph in §2.4.2.8: “TIAs shall not be considered as retro-active requirements. Adoption or recognition of TIAs shall be subject to processes or policies established by the adopting authority.” Mr. Shapiro explained the TIA requirements were not intended to be retroactive to already permitted or constructed projects. Also, jurisdictions may or may not elect to codify the TIA.

Mr. Nicoletto asked about an appeals process subsequent to the Board of Directors vote specified in §2.4.2.7.: “Adoption of a TIA shall require an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the ICC Board.” Mr. Shapiro explained the work group believed there are enough reviews and votes during the entire TIA process that it would not be relevant to have an appeal process of the Board’s final vote.

Mr. Nicoletto also commented that if the Board of Directors rejected the TIA, there is no requirement for a “reason statement” to justify the vote. Mr. Shapiro explained the group deferred to the Board’s existing procedures for emergency code amendments that do not require a reason statement.

Ms. Reed asked for clarification of § 2.4.2.4 pertaining to the number of committee members required in the second sentence, as follows: “A Committee recommendation for approval shall require an affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of members who voted, on both technical merit and critical nature. The number of affirmative votes shall also require at least 50% of all Committee members.”

Mr. Shapiro explained the language was intended to include 50% of all committee members to assure the fullest review.

Action: Mr. Nicoletto moved, and Mr. Maxon seconded, a motion to support to the ICC Board of Directors the proposed Tentative Interim Amendment policy . The motion carried without objection.

4) Adjournment.

Action: There being no additional items presented to the Fire Service Membership Council Governing Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 pm EST.

Attachment:

Industry Advisory Committee, Temporary Interim Amendment Proposal, V 4.1