

AMBO Board Meeting Minutes

Monday Feb.13, 2023 Minneapolis Marriot Northwest



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The AMBO Board of Directors met on Feb. 13, 2023. AMBO Board Chair, Jerry Backlund, called the business meeting to order at 5:00p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Jerry Backlund (Chair); Michele Engberg (Vice Chair); Brian Hoffman (Director-at-Large); Gil Rossmiller (Director-at-Large); Liz Riel (Director-at-Large); Silvia Gonzalez (Secretary); Jesse Szykalski (Treasurer); Jim Williamette (Past Chair); Matt Munter(Arrowhead Representative); Sid Fossan (Northwest Representative); Doug Fortune (Southwest Representative); Todd Hoekstra(10K rep)

Board Members Absent: James Coyle (Southeast Representative)

Others in Attendance: Nick McNeely (Legislative Consultant); Rick Hauffe (ICC Regional Representative); Steve Ubl; Liz Chagolla (ICC); Matthew Winn (ICC); Jack Applegate (ICC); Karla Higgs (ICC); Barb Williams(web)

Roll Call. Roll call by Silvia.

Agenda. The agenda was accepted as distributed. Motion to accept Rossmiller; second by Williamette.

Minutes. Approval of the January Meeting Minutes was tabled to the next Board Meeting.

Treasurer's Report and Budget Update. Szykalski's presented financial reports. Jesse proposed changing budget mid-year. Jerry introduced the new treasurer, Joanne Hager.

Legislative Report. McNeely shared that there is an 18-billion-dollar surplus. Bills being discussed are Energy, affordable housing, protection of workers, funding for more apprenticeship programs. Representative Elkins is still working on an Affordable Act and a 60-day limit for building permit issuance.

Region III Education. Engberg stated that the Institute represents a partnership between several entities such as: ICC, DOLI, AMBO, Encore, and the planning group. The Institute comprised of 40 educational sessions (18 by ICC). DOLI held two days of training. there were 38 presenters. An estimated 1300 in person attendees and 164 attendees participated virtually.

New Business. Brian Hoffman proposed presenting a letter of support for the Center for Energy and Environment (CEE). The funds for the grant would help provide energy training during the institute. Seeking grants from the federal government would help provide training for inspectors, architects, and planners for the institute. The motion was made to accept by Gil Rossmiller and second by Jim Williamette. Motion approved.

Backlund discussed how to bring in the next generation of code officials. A lot of discussion and suggestions

about training and how to mentor future inspectors and code officials. Jim Williamette discussed his involvement with Summit Academy OIC. Jim will be mentoring one of the program participants at the Region III institute.

Future of Region III Education Institute- Discussion on who will lead the planning of the Institute.

Membership Report. Rossmiller provided an update on AMBO Memberships. The board has received an additional \$3000 dollar in memberships but has not been received some municipal voting member names. Gil encouraged board members to work on getting those names to him.

Nominations. Backlund stated members should be considering Board nominations. Backlund and Williamette board terms ending in February.

Adjournment. There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 6:30p.m. Motion by Fossan; second by Szykulski.

Submitted by Silvia Gonzalez