



# LOS ANGELES BASIN CHAPTER

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### FIRE-LIFE SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, March 22, 2018  
 Teleconference Call

FY 2018

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### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER – 3:05

| Committee Member             | Jurisdiction/Chapter/Company | Present |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------|
| Ara Sargsyan (Board Liaison) | Los Angeles                  | X       |
| Arnold Barreda (Co-Chair)    | Pasadena                     | X       |
| Bill Johns                   | Los Angeles Fire             | X       |
| Celine Sarkisloo             | Glendale                     | X       |
| Chris Agus                   | Glendale                     | X       |
| Dave Stimson                 | Glendale Fire                |         |
| Eugene Barbeau (Chair)       | Los Angeles                  | X       |
| Foster McLean                | Ventura Fire                 | X       |
| Jason Healey                 | Los Angeles                  | X       |
| Rudy Arias                   | Los Angeles                  | X       |
| Ed Dion                      | Santa Monica                 | X       |

### 2.0 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 Motion to approve meeting minutes for meeting held on February 22, 2018 – Motion from Ed , second by Arnold

### 3.0 COMMUNICATION

3.1 Ara spoke on CALBO attendance; possible general meeting topics and attendance; and importance of ICC code action hearing spreadsheet to compare different jurisdiction positions.

Chris – Glendale Building and Safety Month; flyer to be emailed to group and posted to the website; training at Glendale Building and Safety Department from Simpson Strong-Tie

### 4.0 EXISTING BUSINESS



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- 4.1 Continue the discussion in regards to the creation/revision of fire-life safety correction checklist and other relevant documents for the 2016 California Building/Residential Codes.

**Action:** Arnold to be contact person for website updates. Eugene Barbeau to incorporate committee comments into commercial check list and send to Arnold for posting to the website.

- 4.2 ICC Code Development Cycle for the 2021 I-Codes – CAH Group A

**Action Items:**

- Eugene to share monogram files and excel spreadsheet to track committee positions by Friday, 3/23.
- Chris and Celine will review fire safety code proposals.
- Arnold and Ed will review general code proposals
- Eugene and Rudy will review Egress proposals.
- Bill, Foster and Dave will review fire code proposals

**5.0 NEW BUSINESS**

- 5.1 Determine discussion topic for the next general chapter meeting (April).

Ed Dion and Foster Mclean – Proposed discussion regarding water supply to buildings after a seismic event. Fire sprinklers would be rendered ineffective if no water supply is available following a major seismic event.

Eugene Barbeau– Proposed discussion of penetrations of exterior, 2 hour fire-rated wall assemblies. Are floor/ceiling framing assemblies considered penetrations and must they be fire retardant treated wood similar to exterior wall framing.

- 5.2 Triennial code adoption for the 2019 California Building Standards Code.

**6.0 OPEN DISCUSSION**

- 6.1 Action Items:  
Foster – A definition of a concealed space is not provided in the code.



Arnold – Ductless hoods – allowed with Building Official Approval, Eugene Barbeau to check with Los Angeles Mechanical Division and report back to the committee with findings. LA City Fire has approved ductless hoods with appropriate listings.



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**7.0 ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING**

April 26, at 3 PM. The committee has indicated interest in keeping to a monthly schedule. Eugene to send calendar invite for next meeting.

**8.0 ADJOURNMENT - Meeting adjourned at 3:53pm**

**NOTES:**

*For copies of past meeting minutes and other related documents produced by this committee, please refer to the Los Angeles Basin Chapter’s website at [http://www.icclabc.org/Fire-Life\\_Safety.html](http://www.icclabc.org/Fire-Life_Safety.html).*