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ROP MEETING MINUTES

***Building Code – Life Safety Technical Committee on
Residential Occupancies***

Wednesday, December 9, 2009
Embassy Suites Hotel Cleveland – Downtown

1. **Call to order.** The meeting was called to order by Chair Warren Bonisch at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 9, 2009, at the Embassy Suites Hotel Cleveland - Downtown, Cleveland, OH.
2. **Introduction of attendees.** The following committee members and guests were in attendance:

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

NAME

REPRESENTING

Warren Bonisch, Chair

Aon/ Schirmer Engineering
Corporation

Gregory Harrington, Nonvoting Secretary

NFPA

James Bell, Principal

Marriott International, Inc.
Rep. American Hotel & Lodging
Association

Harry Bradley, Principal

Maryland State Fire Marshals
Office - Rep. International Fire
Marshals Association

Daniel Finnegan, Principal

Siemens Industry, Inc. – Rep.
Automatic Fire Alarm Association,
Inc.

Sam Francis, Principal

American Forest & Paper
Association

Stanley Harbuck, Principal	School of Building Inspection Rep. American Public Health Association
Ken Isman, Principal	National Fire Sprinkler Association
Marshall Klein, Principal	Marshall A. Klein & Associates, Inc.
James Lathrop, Principal	Koffel Associates, Inc.
Eric Mayl, Principal	Core Engineers Consulting Group, LLC
Michael Meehan (Alternate to P. Brown)	American Fire Sprinkler Association
Ronald Nickson, Principal	National Multi Housing Council
Steven Orlowski, Principal	National Association of Home Builders
Henry Paszczuk, Principal	Connecticut Department of Public Safety
Jake Pauls (Alternate to S. Harbuck)	Jake Pauls Consulting Services in Building Use & Safety – Rep. American Public Health Association
Dennis Pitts (Alternate to S. Francis)	American Forest & Paper Association
Richard Roberts, Principal	Honeywell Life Safety – Rep. National Electrical Manufacturers Association
Jeffrey Shearman, Principal	Zurich Services Corporation – Rep. NFPA Lodging Industry Section
Joseph Versteeg, Principal	Versteeg Associates

GUESTS

NAME

REPRESENTING

Ray Battalora	Schirmer Engineering
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Greg Kessinger	Security Dealer & Investigation Magazine
Karl Wiegand	National Fire Sprinkler Association

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
Gordon Bates, Principal	Minneapolis Fire Department
H. Wayne Boyd, Principal	US Safety & Engineering Corporation
Ralph Gerdes, Principal	Ralph Gerdes Consultants, LLC
Peter Puhlick, Principal	University of Connecticut
John Sharry, Principal	Beakmann Properties – Sharry & Associates, Inc.
Stephen Skalko, Principal	Portland Cement Association
T. Hugh Talley, Principal	Hugh Talley Company – Rep. American Furniture Manufacturers Association

3. **Approval of minutes.** The minutes of the October 23, 2007 meeting were approved as written and distributed.
4. **Staff Report** – G. Harrington. Staff gave a brief presentation on the document revision process and meeting procedures.
5. **Occupancy chapter __.2.4 subsection review.** The committee reviewed the proposal developed by the TC on Means of Egress to standardize on the use of the term ‘Number of Means of Egress’ and developed several committee proposals to accomplish this. See the Report on Proposals for the actions.
6. **Smoke barrier door latching.** The committee reviewed the issue pertaining to requirements for smoke barrier door latching. Based on action taken prior to this meeting by the TC on Detention and Correctional Occupancies, no further action was required.
7. **NFPA 101 proposals.** The committee acted on all of the submitted public proposals and developed several committee proposals. See the Report on Proposals for the actions.

8. **NFPA 5000 proposals.** The committee acted on all of the submitted public proposals and developed several committee proposals. See the Report on Proposals for the actions.
9. **Standardization of sprinkler system supervision language.** The committee was advised of the request by the Technical Correlating Committees to standardize the language pertaining supervised vs. electrically supervised sprinkler systems. It was determined that no action was required.
10. **Consistency of list-based options.** Staff reported this is another item from the TCC planning meeting. It was requested that TCs review their requirements that include lists to verify that it's clear when all of the items in the list must be met, or only one of the items in the list must be met. The committee reviewed all list-based requirements under its purview and developed several committee proposals to provide the requested clarification. See the Report on Proposals for the actions.
11. **NFPA 101 core chapter ROP draft.** The committee reviewed the core chapter draft and developed several committee proposals in response. See the Report on Proposals for the actions.
12. **Other business.** The chair appointed a task group to further review the issue of carbon monoxide (CO) detection in residential occupancies to report back with recommendations at the Report on Comments meeting. The task group members are: Joe Versteeg (Chair), Dan Finnegan, Ron Nickson, Steve Orlowski, and Richard Roberts.
13. **Future meetings.** The committee will meet the week of October 18, 2010, in New Orleans, to prepare the Reports on Comments (ROCs) for the 2012 editions of NFPA 101 and NFPA 5000. The exact date and location will be provided when available.
14. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Attachments