

# LOUISIANA STATE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION

## CODE COUNCIL

### MEETING MINUTES

December 2, 2025

The regular meeting of the Code Council was called to order by Nic LeBlanc, Chairman of LSUCCC, on Tuesday, December 2, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. at 600 North Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Members of the Council present:

- Nic LeBlanc, Chairman
- Jason Aycock
- Juliette Cassagne
- Trent Clark
- Jay Dufour
- James Edwards
- Fritz Embaugh
- Kenneth Jones
- Bryan Knost
- Pat McCormick
- PJ Odom
- Rodney Taylor
- Charles Visser
- Michael Wich

Members, Jackie Dadakis and Andre Ford, were absent. Finding a quorum present, the regular order of business began.

Mr. Embaugh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### A. CONSIDERATION OF THE NOVEMBER 4, 2025, LSUCCC MEETING MINUTES

Mr. LeBlanc brought forward agenda item A for consideration. Mr. McCormick made a motion to approve and accept the Minutes of the November 4, 2025, regular meeting. Mr. Embaugh seconded. The motion passed.

#### B. WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. LeBlanc brought forward agenda item B and opened the floor to Mr. Hassert, Executive Director. Mr. Hassert welcomed the council and audience to the meeting. Mr. Hassert also introduced Adam Patrick with the Louisiana Department of Insurance to the council. Mr. Patrick came forward and addressed the council regarding the collaboration efforts between the council and the insurance industry. A brief discussion was also held regarding the code review committees and access to the digital version of the building codes. With no further comments made, this matter was concluded.

#### C. PUBLIC COMMENT (Non-Agenda Items)

Mr. LeBlanc brought forward agenda item C and opened the floor for public comment for non-agenda items. With no comments made, this matter concluded.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### D. IBC CHAPTER 11 ACCESSIBILITY – Mr. Nic LeBlanc & Mr. Joe Delaune

Mr. LeBlanc brought forward agenda item D. for discussion Mr. LeBlanc referred to the [IBC Chapter 11 Accessibility Comparison](#) document provided to the council from Mr. Delaune for review. Mr. LeBlanc stated that a document will be prepared and made available by the January 2026 council meeting for its adoption by the council. With no further comments made, this matter was concluded.

**E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE INFORMATION REQUIRED ON THE REGISTRATION FORM FOR BCEO'S, TPP'S, AND WMS'S – Mr. Michael Wich**

Mr. LeBlanc brought forward agenda item E for discussion and opened the floor to Mr. Wich. Mr. Wich addressed the council regarding the updated Registration Application Form published to the council's website. Mr. Wich addressed concerns he had with the form relating to the identifying information the applicant must provide, such as the social security number, and legal questions the applicant must answer. Mr. LeBlanc and Mr. Hassert commented on Mr. Wich's statements and concerns regarding the application. Mr. Embaugh asked for clarification as to the council's role in governing the behaviors of LSUCCC registrants. Mr. Hassert, Mr. LeBlanc, and Mr. Visser addressed Mr. Embaugh's comments. Several members of the council provided their thoughts on the registration application form. Mr. Wich made a motion to remove the social security number field and to also remove all of the legal questions from the registration application form. Mr. Dufour seconded. After further discussion on the motion amongst the council members, Mr. LeBlanc called for a vote and the motion failed for lack of support. Mr. LeBlanc made a motion to remove only the social security number field to be removed until such time a more secure submission method is created. Mr. LeBlanc also stated that the passport, visa, ITIN fields are to remain on the application. Mr. Edwards seconded. After further discussion, Mr. Edwards made a substitute motion to remove the motion on the floor made by Mr. LeBlanc and to make a new motion to modify the registration application form as follows: (a) label the social security number field under Section 2, subpart B.1., as optional; (b) label the entire Section 3, Legal Questions, as optional; (c) rename the heading for Section 3 from Legal Questions to Background Questions, and (d) under Section 3, subpart C., remove the sentence that states "If YES, you will not be eligible for a LSUCCC registration until the delinquency is resolved." Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. With no further comments made, this matter was concluded.

**F. STAFF REPORT**

Mr. LeBlanc brought forward agenda item F and opened the floor to Mr. Hassert. Mr. Hassert addressed the council regarding alleged accusations against Kurt Cavalier, a third-party provider, for falsifying inspections in Orleans Parish, where Mr. Cavalier was then subsequently barred from acting as a third-party provider within their parish and by the city of New Orleans. Mr. Hassert requested the council to consider sending a legal representative, who is currently under contract with the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractor (LSLBC), to intervene and provide support to the parish of Orleans in the removal of Mr. Cavalier. After discussion, Mr. Wich made a motion to approve Mr. Hassert's proposal to send a legal representative of LSLBC to Orleans Parish to support their efforts in the removal of the third-party provider, Kurt Cavalier. Ms. Cassagne seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mr. Hassert addressed the council regarding possible disciplinary hearings that may come before the council and what procedures the council must follow for a disciplinary hearing to be held.


Before the meeting's conclusion, the floor was opened again for public comment. Danika Gorrondona came forward and asked for clarification relating to the revisions to the registration application form. Mr. Hassert responded to Ms. Gorrondona's question. The council also discussed and agreed on having Mr. Hassert to draft language to update the council's current statutes and bring before the council for review. Mr. Hassert also addressed the council regarding the Executive Committee meetings held prior to the council's meeting.


No Executive Session was called.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. LeBlanc called for an adjournment of the meeting. Mr. Clark made a motion to adjourn at 11:06 a.m., and Mr. Dufour seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Nie LeBlanc, Chairman

  
Jason Trent Clark v. Chair

  
Juliette Cassagne, Secretary