

FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION

Education Technical Assistance Committee (TAC) Report Education Program Oversight Committee (POC)

January 13, 2003

Orlando, Fl

TAC Members attending: Dick Browdy (Chair), Mike Rodriguez, Collene Walter, Burt Folce, Henn Rebane, Dennis Franklin, Clarence Tibbs, Herminio Gonzalez

POC Member attending: Dick Browdy (Chair), Dan Shaw, Diana Richardson

OBJECTIVES

- To Approve January 2003 agenda and December 2002 report
- Discuss Advance/Specialized course
- Consider for approval provider core course
- Discuss/Consider the Accessibility Advanced Course
- Summary and Review of Meeting Work Products/Action Items, Assignments, and Next Steps.

Agenda and Minutes Review and Approval

Agenda and Minutes approved

Discussion on continuing the Advanced Courses

- 1. Should there be a voluntary FBC accreditation process for the advance courses and how would the process work?**

Answer: Yes,

-The intent of the accreditation process is to accredit entities to review advanced building code courses for accuracy.

-An applicant would submit their course to the Commission approved accreditation entity for approval. The accreditation entity will verify that the material submitted is accurate with the current edition of the building code. The successful applicant would receive Florida Building Commission approval and a certificate.

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-An Accreditation Subcommittee was established with members; Dick Browdy (Chair), Mike Rodriguez, Henn Rebane, Paul Mashburn and James Schock.

-The subcommittee will develop an application, accreditation entity qualifications, minimum requirements and renewal recommendations.

The subcommittee will meet before the February Education TAC meeting to discuss the accreditation process.

If yes:

- 2. Who should administer the accreditation process? Define the conceptual design.**

Note: If funding is required it must be competitively bid.

See above

3. Who should manage the advanced courses? ie. Building Commission, DBPR and/or Licensing Boards.

Answer: The Education TAC will manage the current approved advanced courses.

4. When should the advanced courses be updated?

Answer: The current Commission advanced courses are to be made available for purchase as soon as possible. The Commission will notify the course holders of a code update. The course holder will be responsible for updating the course.

5. Should the Commission develop advanced Building Code Courses and how should it be funded?

Answer: The Commission should be able to initiate the development of building code courses as the need arises.

TAC adjourn at 11:05

POC brought to order at 11:06, as a combined meeting.

Discuss/Consider for approval a provider modified core course

A representative from Design Arts Seminars Inc. presented to the committee a modified version of the Building/Fire Core Course.

Several members of the committee indicated that they had not received the course in time to review it.

The TAC/POC voted to defer consideration of the course till the February meeting.

Committee Actions

Motion- Approve the December minutes

Burt Folce, second Mike Rodriguez.

Motion – Make available for sale the current approved Commission Advanced Code Courses. Any updates to the course will be done by the person or entity that purchased the course. The Commission will notify those persons or entities of any code updates.

Motion - Defer the review of the course submitted by Design Arts Seminars Inc. to the February meeting.

Requested Action of the Commission

-Approve the actions of the Committee

-Request legislative authority to create a FBC accreditation process, oversight by the Education TAC/POC

Next Steps

None

Code Training

Licenses trained - 53,237

Licensees trained- 45,463

Total Licenses submitted (multiple licenses & courses) – 63,416