



2025 OBOA Annual Business Meeting (ABM) & Conference

Thursday, July 17 – Friday, July 18

PLUS! Pre-ABM Technical Workshop: Wednesday, July 16



Hood River Inn (Best Western Plus) – Hood River, Oregon

The OBOA Board of Directors invites you to this year's annual business meeting (ABM) in beautiful Hood River, Oregon. Join colleagues and friends at our highly-anticipated ABM — the perfect place to learn, network, and earn your valuable ICC Preferred Provider CEUs.

The building safety community comes together for two days of important programming, top-notch education and most importantly, quality time with professional peers. Our Opening Keynote “Five Keys to Personal and Professional Growth” will provide tools, tips and tricks to take back to the office and beyond for enhanced communication and efficiencies. We'll also hear the latest from BCD, our lobbyists, reinvigorate Code Bowl, and so much more!

We are also excited for our annual Pre-ABM Technical Workshop on Wednesday “2021 IBC/IFC Hazardous Materials Requirements,” presented by one of our most popular presenters, Terrell Stripling, Owner of Real World Code Training and an ICC Instructor. Earn ICC Preferred Provider CEUs at both the ABM and Workshop!

We hope to see you there!

Important Deadlines

June 20 – Hotel/Lodging (reserve now) | **June 27** – Discount/Early Registration
[Register + All Details online at OregonBuildingOfficials.com](https://oregonbuildingofficials.com)



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2025 Schedule of Events

Wednesday, July 16

- 10:00 am – 4:00 pm **Pre-ABM Technical Workshop: “2021 IBC/IFC Hazardous Materials Requirements”**
Presented by Terrell Stripling, Owner, Real World Code Training and ICC Instructor
Optional session, separate registration | 0.6 ICC Preferred Provider CEUs offered
- 4:15 – 4:45 pm **OBOA Committees CONNECT** – All OBOA committee chairs and members invited to attend.
Annual gathering of OBOA leaders and volunteers to discuss activities and plans for the next year.
- 5:30 – 6:30 pm **Hosted Welcome Reception** – Connect with fellow attendees before the ABM kicks off Thursday!
- 6:30 – 7:30 pm *Exhibitor Set-Up*

Thursday, July 17

- 7:30 – 8:30 am Registration | Networking Hot Breakfast with Exhibitors & Package Sponsors
- 8:30 – 9:00 am **Welcome & Self-Introductions; Call Business Meeting to Order**
Review and Approval of ABM Agenda; President’s Report & Association Financial Report
- 9:00 am – 12:00 pm **Opening Keynote: “Five Keys to Personal and Professional Growth”**
Presented by Brian Sjothun, Sr. Vice President; Leadership Development Facilitator, Strategic Government Resources (SGR)
- 10:30 – 10:45 am Coffee Break with Exhibitors & Package Sponsor Intros
- 12:00 – 1:30 pm **OBOA Awards Luncheon** – [*Recognize a Colleague Today!*](#)
- 1:30 – 2:30 pm **State of Oregon BCD Update** – *Presented by Alana Cox, State of Oregon BCD Administrator*
- 2:30 – 2:45 pm Afternoon Break with Sponsors/Exhibitors
- 2:45 – 3:00 pm **Installation of the 2025/2026 OBOA Board of Directors & Acknowledgments**
- 3:00 – 3:15 pm **International Code Council (ICC) Update** – *Presented by ICC Board Representative*
- 3:15 – 4:30 pm **Roundtable Hot Topics** – Several moderated topics of interest in peer-to-peer discussions.
- 5:30 – 7:30 pm **Hosted Happy Hour with Live Music** – Bites and beverages with live music.

Friday, July 18

- 7:30 – 8:30 am Full Breakfast with Sponsors & Exhibitors
- 8:30 – 8:45 am **Welcome & Opening Remarks | Review of Friday’s Agenda**
- 8:45 – 9:45 am **Code Bowl! THE Educational, Interactive Game for Code Professionals** (*Play to win!*)
- 9:45 – 10:00 am Networking Break with Sponsors/Exhibitors
- 10:00 – 10:30 am **OBOA Lobbyist & Legislative Session Report** – *Presented by Inga Deckert, Proxy/OBOA Lobbyist*
- 10:30 – 11:30 am **Code Bowl (continued) | Winners Announced**
- 11:30 – 11:45 am **OBOA Committee & State Board Updates; Partner Org Updates**
2026 & 2027 OBOA ABM Locations; New Business & Closing Remarks
- 11:45 am ABM Adjourns | Conference Concludes | *Exhibitor Tear-Down*



Wednesday, July 16

10:00 am – 4:00 pm Pre-ABM Technical Workshop: “2021 IBC/IFC Hazardous Materials Requirements”
Terrell Stripling, Owner, Real World Code Training and ICC Instructor

This workshop offers six hours of ICC Preferred Provider continuing education units (0.6 CEUs), electronic meeting materials/handouts, a hosted lunch and refreshments. *Workshop is optional, separate registration.*

This seminar addresses buildings utilizing hazardous materials for storage, used in open and closed systems with the coordination between the fire and building codes. The course addresses the application of the 2021 IBC/IFC for determining compliance for the storage, use, handling and dispensing of hazardous materials.

Learning Objectives: Locate and describe applicable hazardous materials in buildings; Classify materials as to their appropriate hazard and determine allowable exempt amounts for each material; Explain conditions which exempt a structure from Group H occupancy classifications; Define Control areas and when they are allowed; and Address Group M and Group S occupancies containing Hazardous Materials.

About our Presenter: *Terrell is a seasoned instructor with 20-plus years of fire service and construction know-how. He also holds a B.S. degree from Oklahoma State University. His experience in fire prevention, code management and the ability to effectively communicate a proactive philosophy is reflected in Terrell’s passion for education and code. Terrell received the “ICC Educator of the Year Award” in 2009. He has served as department chair and adjunct professor at the community college level. He utilizes theory, the intent of the code, along with hands-on application to create an exceptional learning experience.*



4:15 – 4:45 pm OBOA Committees CONNECT

All committee chairs and committee members are invited. Calling all participants of the Codes, Disaster Preparedness & Response, Education, Legislative, Outreach, Past Presidents and Standards Committees! This networking meeting brings committees together in-person at least once each year. We’ll discuss the last year’s activities, collaborate and set goals for the next year, and recruit new members to join efforts.

5:30 – 6:30 pm Hosted Welcome Reception

Come relax and network before the ABM officially kicks off Thursday morning (all registered attendees and registered companions are invited). Drink ticket and light hors d’oeuvres will be provided. Dinner on own.

Earn ICC Preferred Provider CEUs

Our OBOA ABM and Pre-ABM Workshop both offer continuing education units/credit hours (CEUs).



- Pre-ABM Workshop (7/16) offers **six hours or 0.6 ICC CEUs** – Approved course # 41907
- Full ABM (7/17-7/18) offers **ten hours or 1.0 ICC CEUs** – Approved course #46828
- OBOA Preferred Provider #1055

Certificates of Attendance will be emailed to attendees following each event. Attendees are responsible for maintaining records of their attendance at all CEU-eligible programs for submission of certification application or renewal. Individuals should also report to their appropriate accrediting bodies and/or building official or jurisdiction.

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Brian Sjothun, Sr. Vice President; Leadership Development Facilitator, Strategic Government Resources (SGR)

This interactive presentation is based on leadership experiences and study over the course of a 36-year in public service. Topics focus on Self-Awareness, Growing a Positive Mindset, Developing Relationships, Establishing Intentional Habits, and Reflection. There will be three short interactive exercises that will have participants begin the process of identifying their core values, learning how to let go of things that are out of our control, and looking at what we could do if we knew we could not fail. All of these exercises can be utilized to help participants take back to their organizations to grow current and future leaders.

Attendees will leave the presentation with the following tools and ideas to think about:

1. Need to identify strengths and fit yourself and staff to those strengths.
2. Identify your core values and what those actions look like.
3. Removing the fear of failure - working outside your comfort zone.
4. How to develop mutually beneficial relationships.
5. Showing vulnerability is okay.
6. Developing influence through habits.
7. Taking time to reflect on experiences - where true growth happens
8. How to identify what's inside of us and not just focus on what's in front of us.

About our Keynote Presenter: *Brian Sjothun was appointed as Medford's City Manager in 2016 after serving 12 years as the city's Parks and Recreation Director. With a strong background in public administration, he has led innovative government programs, performance management initiatives, leadership training, and strategic planning. A certified John Maxwell Leadership coach, Sjothun has trained over 100 City employees. He is active in professional associations and has managed over \$120 million in capital projects. Before Medford, he spent 16 years with the Woodburn Recreation & Parks Department, including eight years as recreation services director. A Portland native, Brian earned his bachelor's from Warner Pacific College and a master's in public administration from Golden Gate University in 2002.*



- 10:30 – 10:45 am Coffee Break with Exhibitors & Package Sponsor Intros
- 12:00 – 1:30 pm **OBOA Awards Luncheon** – Recognize the recipients of this year's award winners.
- 1:30 – 2:30 pm **State of Oregon BCD Update**
Alana Cox, Administrator, State of Oregon Building Codes Division (BCD)

We look forward to the presentation from Administrator Alana Cox on the latest activities at the building codes division. We will cover various important program updates and topics during this informative presentation.

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Peer to peer style discussions on important and timely issues. Ask questions, share experiences, and have open dialogue with colleagues– each topic will be facilitated by a moderator:

- Legislative Aftermath
- All About Energy
- Wildfire Mapping / Fire Marshal’s Office Topics
- DLCD Housing Accountability and Production Office

5:30 – 7:30 pm **Hosted Happy Hour with Live Music**

Bites and beverages provided at this reception-style event with live music. Join ABM colleagues in a relaxed, social reception-style evening. Please indicate on registration if you will bring a guest. Dinner on your own.

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8:45 – 9:45 am **Code Bowl! THE Educational Game for Code Professionals**

We bring the fun, interactive “jeopardy style” game back – show your skills and win!

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Location & Lodging

Hood River Inn (Best Western Plus)

1108 E Marina Dr. – Hood River, OR 97031

Hotel Check In: 4 pm | Check out: 11 am

[CLICK TO BOOK ROOM AT HOTEL](#)

All activities of the ABM will take place at Hood River Inn, our host venue. Complimentary parking is on a space and size available basis. OBOA has reserved a limited discounted block of rooms for all conference participants.

To make your lodging reservation, [CLICK HERE](#) (this is a custom OBOA link; adjust dates if needed).

Deadline for reservations: June 20 — though we encourage you to reserve your room RIGHT AWAY. After June 20 — **or whenever the block is full and whichever comes first** — reservation requests will only be accepted on a rate and space available basis and are not guaranteed. The hotel indicates it will sell out completely over our event dates. Please confirm at the time of booking regarding all taxes, fees, cancellation or other hotel policies. Please book your lodging directly through this link on our custom site and not a separate website or provider.

Important ABM Info

Registration Details

Member and Non-Member registration includes participation for that individual at all Thursday and Friday sessions and presentations including the Opening Keynote and all updates/reports, and all electronic session materials (as provided by the speakers). Hosted meals: Wednesday's Opening Networking Reception, breakfast and break refreshments on Thursday and Friday, awards lunch on Thursday, and the Thursday Live Music Reception.



Registration

Bringing a spouse/companion? Each regular full ABM registration also includes one complimentary companion/spouse social ticket for Wednesday and Thursday evening receptions. Attendees must indicate at the time of registration their included companion/guest (both must be registered in advance for counts, etc.). Companion/spouse participation is for the evening receptions on Wednesday and Thursday only (no other sessions or activities included). All individuals onsite must be registered through OBOA with a name badge. One complimentary spouse/companion per registration; additional tickets may be purchased separately; please contact the OBOA office for details.

Pre-ABM Workshop on Wednesday, 7/16: This excellent additional training is optional but a great way to earn even more ICC Preferred Provider CEUs in conjunction with the conference. Attendees receive in person instruction, ICC Preferred Provider 0.6 CEUs, electronic handouts/materials as provided by the presenter, hosted lunch and refreshments.

OBOA strives to minimize waste and increase efficiency, so handouts and/or other meeting materials will be emailed to registrants 24-48 hours prior to the event. Handouts will not be provided onsite but will be sent as links in advance to download and save.

OBOA Committees CONNECT — Wednesday from 4:15 – 4:45 pm

This is dedicated time together for all OBOA committees: Codes, Disaster Preparedness and Response, Education, Legislative, Outreach, Past Presidents and Standards — all in one place! All chairs and committee members are invited.

If you participate in any OBOA committee in any capacity, please join us at this networking meeting with the OBOA Board of Directors. OBOA offers this as a way for committees to meet in person, review the last year, and look ahead to the next year.

OBOA ABM Scholarships Available

We strongly encourage participation from Chemeketa and Portland Community College BIT students! Scholarships may be available to students enrolled in either program and/or those looking to enter our profession. Scholarships include complimentary ABM registration and standard lodging at our host hotel, Hood River Inn. Please email Vicky Danielson in the OBOA office for details (manager@oregonbuildingofficials.com).

Space Limitations

Space is limited. Early registration is encouraged. Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. In the event of inadequate registration, weather problems, or other events beyond OBOA's control, the ABM may be moved or cancelled. Should this occur, an attempt will be made to contact all registrants and fees will be refunded.

Cancellation & Sub Policy

Cancellations received on or before June 27 will receive a full refund minus a \$50 administrative processing fee. Cancellations received after June 27 or no-shows will not receive a refund and there is no credit/refund given for partial attendance.

Change of plans and not able to attend? Substitutions from the same jurisdiction/company can be made for registered attendees. Changes must be emailed to OBOA in advance (to ensure accurate CEUs, etc.) and are subject to a \$25 sub fee per change



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This ABM is the perfect place for vendor partners to meet and network with decision-makers all in one quality venue. Sponsorships are a great way to **increase visibility and spotlight your company to this important audience – let OBOA help you market your product/service to our greater building safety community!** Sponsorships are limited and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis; early registration is encouraged. Contact the OBOA office for unique sponsorship opportunities.



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