

**BUILDING OWNERS AND MANAGERS ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONAL**  
**2016 Winter Business Meeting**  
**Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill • Washington, D.C.**

**INDUSTRY DEFENSE FUND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

**Monday, February 1, 2016**  
***11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.***  
**Columbia A – Ballroom Level**

Chair: Bruce Koehler, *BOMA/Minneapolis*  
Vice Chair: Robert Six, *BOMA/Chicago*  
Staff Liaisons: Karen Penafiel, Scott Morris

**Annual Goals:**

- Preserve the support of the Industry Defense Fund by the BOMA membership.
- Insure adequate funds are available for unanticipated/unbudgeted advocacy challenges at the Federal, State, and Local level for issues of wide-ranging interest to BOMA International members.

**Meeting Goals:**

- Review budget status of the Industry Defense Fund.
- Act on all Industry Defense Fund requests
- Receive updates on projects currently being funded.

**Industry Defense Fund Oversight Committee Voting Members**

Bruce Koehler, Chair  
Robert Six, Vice Chair  
Kent Gibson  
Brian Harnetiaux  
Rob Brierly  
Dan Chancey  
Lynn Vilmar  
Rich McClure  
Sandy Robinson  
Lyn Krizanich  
Henry Chamberlain, *Non-Voting Member*

## AGENDA

Time	Agenda Item	Action/Info Discussion
11:00 a.m.	I. Welcome/Introductions	<i>Chair</i> <b>I</b>
11:05 a.m.	II. Approval of Minutes from the 2015 BOMA Convention AND the Conference Call of Sept. 24	<i>All</i> <b>A</b>
11:08 a.m.	III. Review and Approval of IDF Fund Financial Report	<i>Faides Zilemba</i> <b>A</b>
11:15 a.m.	IV. New Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pending IDF Request               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) BOMA/International -- <i>Karen Penafiel</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Application for \$8,000 to fund a tax policy analysis of the 2014 MIT study of the nature and magnitude of real depreciation of commercial building structures</p>	<i>Chair</i> <b>I/D/A</b>
11:30 a.m.	V. Status of Current & Recently Completed Projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greater Saint Paul/BOMA and BOMA/Greater Minneapolis’s opposition to an administrative law judge’s decision upholding the Minnesota State Plumbing Board’s approval of the Uniform Plumbing Code, instead of the International Plumbing Code, strongly preferred by the business community, to replace a “home-grown” plumbing code. <i>Joe Spartz, Greater Saint Paul/BOMA</i> <i>Kevin Lewis, BOMA/Greater Minneapolis</i></li> <li>• Houston/BOMA’s legislative advocacy and media relations campaign for Texas property appraisal reform. <i>Tammy Betancourt, Houston/BOMA</i></li> <li>• BOMA/Pittsburgh’s legal challenge to the City of Pittsburgh Ordinance, known as the “Safe and Secure Building Act,” which requires “covered properties,” including those of BOMA Pittsburgh members, to provide mandatory safety and security training, at great expense and risk of potential liability, for all building service personnel. <i>Michael Embrescia, Tony Young, BOMA/Pittsburgh</i></li> <li>• BOMA/Seattle-King County – Housing Linkage Fee <i>Catherine Stanford, Rod Kauffman, BOMA/Seattle-King County</i></li> </ul>	<b>I</b>
12:00 p.m.	VI. Adjourn	<i>Chair</i> <b>A</b>

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**MINUTES**

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**Attendees**

**(\*) Denotes Industry Defense Fund Oversight Committee Voting Members**

Bruce Koehler*	Catherine Stanford
Robert Six*	Coleen Spratt
Kent Gibson*	Tom Magnussen
Brian Harnetiaux*	Michael Nelson
Rob Brierley*	Amy Carroll
Dan Chancey*	Amy Burton
Lynn Vilmar*	Lisa Rummel
Rich McClure*	Roxanne Litchholt
Sandrena Robinson*	Vada Reynolds
Henry Chamberlain	Rex Hime
Lacey Willard	Boyd Zoccola
Kevin Lewis	Jeannette Vahle
Tammy Betancourt	Chris Horsley
Meredith Cress	Marc Intermaggio
Joseph Hebert	Mike Kent
George Morgan	David Stucky
Lisa Hensley	David Mastro
Sammie Baker	Daphne Reitz
Teresa Foster	Peggy Jeffers
Amanda Reed	Ken Cleaveland
Tony Young	Karen Penafiel (staff)
Mike Embrescia	Faides Zilemba (staff)
Ed Manko	Scott Morris (staff)

- I. Welcome/Introductions: Chair Koehler called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m., noting that a voting quorum was present, with all nine voting members in attendance.
  
- II. Approval of Minutes: Following a motion by Rich McClure and a second by Lynn Vilmar, the minutes of the last in-person meeting (2015 Every Building Conference & Expo) and the minutes of the September 24, 2015 conference call meeting were approved unanimously.

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- III. Review of IDF Fund Financial Report: Faides Zilemba provided an overview of the IDF financials for the year ended 12/31/2015. Following a motion by Sandrena Robinson and a second by Brian Harnetiaux, the IDF Financial Report was approved unanimously, with some updated information to be posted in the Industry Defense Fund Statement of Activities for the Twelve Months Ended 12/31/2015.
- IV. New Business:
- a. Following a motion by Kent Gibson and a second by Rich McClure, the committee voted 9 to 0 to approve a new funding request: \$8,000 to BOMA International to fund a tax policy analysis of the 2014 MIT study of the nature and magnitude of real depreciation on commercial building structures.
- b. Following a motion by Rob Brierley and a second by Bob Six, the committee voted 9 to 0 to approve a new funding request: \$17,000 to BOMA/Florida to assist in the funding of a state legislative campaign to reduce the State of Florida's business rent tax on a multi-year basis.
- V. Status of Current and Recently Completed Projects: Updates were provided on ongoing efforts as follows –
- Kevin Lewis, BOMA/Greater Minneapolis (speaking also for Joe Spartz of Greater Saint Paul/BOMA) – Opposition to an administrative law judge's decision upholding the Minnesota State Plumbing Board's approval of the Uniform Plumbing Code, instead of the International Plumbing Code, strongly preferred by the state's business community.
  - Tammy Betancourt, Houston/BOMA– BOMA/Texas's legislative advocacy and media relations campaign for Texas property appraisal reform.
  - Tony Young and Mike Embrescia, BOMA/Pittsburgh – Legal challenge to the City of Pittsburgh Ordinance, known as the "Safe and Secure Building Act," which requires "covered properties to provide mandatory safety and security training for all building service personnel.
  - Catherine Stanford, BOMA/Seattle-King County – Housing Linkage Fee.
- VI. Adjournment: Chair Koehler adjourned the meeting at 1:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Scott Morris, Deputy Staff Liaison  
Industry Defense Fund Oversight Committee