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The meeting was called to order by George H. Little, Chairman at 3:10 PM. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

The minutes of the December 3, 2003 meeting were read and approved as corrected, motion by Frank Maisano, second by Hal Richmond.

Correspondence read consisted of four (4) e-mails, two (2) letters from the International Organization office, and a thank you letter from the Fire Marshal's Association on the chapters work in getting AFCI's into Michigan in the 2002 NEC adopted.

Treasurer, Jim Chase gave the financial report and it was approved as presented, motion by Dave Burns, second by Hal Richmond.

Spring Program Chairman, Ed Harris is excused due to recovering from surgery. Mr. George Little gave an explanation of this month meeting programs. The first presentation will be by Mr. David Williams on the Michigan Part 8 Rules. The balance of the program on the 2002 NEC will be presented by Mr. Michael Johnston, Director of Education, of the International's Texas office. The complete program will satisfy the Michigan license code update requirements of PA 217 and apply fifteen (15) hours of technical for PA 54.

John Danic, Spring Meeting Guest's Program Chairman, reported that the ladies will tour the State Capital Building and the Michigan State University campus on Thursday and have a class on using your digital camera on Friday.

Hal Richmond, Summer Meeting Program Chairman, reported that he has the summer meeting planned. There will be a Code Panel, classes on transient voltage suppression equipment, grounding, ceiling supports, and a program from the NFPA by Mr. Jeff Sargent.

Dennis Cassady, Summer Meeting Guest's Program Chairman, reported that the Thursday program has not been set and Friday the ladies have a bingo tournament.

John Hartigan, Membership Chairman, reported that the chapter's membership is currently eight hundred and thirty two (832).

"Let the Code Decide"

Jim Chase, Future Site Chairman, reported that the summer meeting will be at the Tree Tops Resort, Gaylord, Michigan on June 17 and 18. The 2004 Annual meeting will be at the Novi Sheraton, Novi, Michigan on December 2 and 3.

The 2005 sites are as follows:

Spring Soaring Eagle resort, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, Summer Crystal Mountain Resort, Thompsonville, Michigan, and the Annual at the Bavarian Inn, Frankenmuth, Michigan.

Virgil Monroe, Senior Electrical Inspector, State of Michigan was excused due to travel conflicts and he will give the State report at the general meeting on Friday.

Hal Richmond, Web Site Chairman, reported that he is working on additional links to other sites, and a guest forum. The web address is www.iaei-michigan.org. George Little thanked Hal for his work on the site and commented that it is greatly improved.

David Williams, Western Section Representative, reported that the next Section meeting is in West Des Moines, Iowa at the Holiday Inn University Park. The dates are September 19 thru the 22. This meeting is the 100th anniversary of the Western Section.

David Williams, Co Chairman, Western Section Meeting 2006, reported that there were subcommittee meetings before the board meeting. There will be a meeting with Mr. Ed Lawry before the June meeting to review the Chapter's budget requirements for the 2006 meeting. Paul Knapp called every ones attention to the new banner he had made that will advertise 2006 Section meeting in Michigan. Plans are to show banner at our booth at the 2004 and 2005 Western Section meetings.

John Danic announced he is resigning from the board due to lack of support from his employer Redford Township, Michigan. Every one thanked him for his fine work for the Chapter.

Frank Maisano reported that Gary Polulok has taken over the position of director at the Local 58 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers training center for Michael Hogan who has retired..

Under unfinished business: Secretary Darrick Whitaker read a letter from the Mechanical Inspectors Association of Michigan requesting a person to become the Chapters representative to their organization. Dave Burns questioned the cost, who would pay any membership fee if any. John Danic asked if any board member is a member in their group, no one was. Frank Donovan asked if the representative was a chapter member not on this board how would they communicate with this board. Paul Knapp expressed an interest and he and Darrick Whitaker will contact the M.I.A.M.

Jim Chase reported on the Electrical Inspectors school held in January. There were twenty-nine (29) attendees. The instructor costs were higher than in the past, costs are going up every year. The school received donations from the Reciprocal Electrical Council Inc. and the Southeastern NECA association. Without these donations the school would have had a larger loss. Mark Shapiro stated that the education committee should meet and work on the cost issues and then report back to the board. Phillip Edelheit stated he thought the cost to people was too low. Frank Maisano attended and expressed that he felt the school was of great value. David Sniderman stated that the cost to some one should be ten dollars per credit hour. Bob Nalbach asked if a second one could be held at the Grand Rapids area. Bob Nalbach made a motion to charge ten dollars per credit hour, second by Mel Kooiker. Discussion: John Danic stated that the education committee should work on pricing, Dave Burns agreed that it should go through that committee. Vote three (3) for, eight (8) against motion failed, issue goes to the education committee.

Under new business: A letter from the international office questioning if we would provide the membership fee for past Secretary Robert Eix. Motion by Jim Chase to pay fee, second by Mel Kooiker. Motion passed. A motion by Mark Shapiro to purchase a full-page ad in the 2004 Western Section bulletin, second by David Sniderman. Motion passed. John Hartigan stated we missed an opportunity to tie the update requirement at this meeting to adding new members. He felt that non-members should pay thirty (30) dollars more. David Williams made a motion to charge non-members fifty (50) dollars more per meeting, second Hal Richmond. Discussion: Frank Donovan asked if we knew how many attending this meeting were no-members, Mark Shapiro stated he felt that fifty (50) dollars was to high, and made a motion to admen the motion on the floor to charging thirty (30) dollars per meeting, second by Dave Bums, discussion amendment, Frank Maisano said he felt that fifty (50) was not out of line Don LaBrenz TI agreed with Frank. Amendment vote, two for, and eight against Motion failed. Vote on David Williams's motion to charge an additional fifty (50) dollars to non-members, nine for, and one against. Motion passed. Paul Knapp asked for comments on the banner. Hal Richmond requested a copy of the flyer to add to the web site.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.

Next meeting June 16, 2004 at the Tree Tops Resort, Gaylord, Michigan. Times to be announced.

Attendance:

Present: David Williams, Hal Richmond, Dennis Cassady, Frank Donovan, James Chase,
Darrick Whitaker George Little, Brain Carter, Philip Clark, John Danic,
John Hartigan, Paul Knapp, Mel Kooiker, Frank Maisano, Mark Shapiro,
David Bums, Phillip Edclheit, Don LaBrenz II, Robert Nalbach, Mel Ott,
David Sniderman, Randal Tooker, and David Vallier.

Excused: Ed Harris, Virgil Monroe, and William Talbot.

Absent: Roy Etelamaki