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Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, December 1, 2021 Southfield, Michigan

2021-2022 Chapter Officers

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“Let the Code Decide”

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President, Pat Falzon at 2:05 PM.

Roll was called by Secretary, David Williams, with the following Officers, Board and Advisory Members present: President Pat Falzon, 1st Vice President, Chris Cleveland, 2nd Vice President Don Iverson, Treasurer, Chris Blackburn and Secretary David Williams.

Board Members: Present: Lance Ash, Tom Bowes, Vince Cooley, Jason Head, Don LaBrenz, Dan Radecki, John Stoudt and Bryan Thomas and Ex. Officio Scott Weaver.

Advisory Members: Present: Brian Carter, John Danic, Paul Knapp Mel Kooiker, Eric Moore, Mike Schultz, David Vallier and Barri Woods.

Excused: 3rd Vice President Bert Gale, Rob Bracket, Beau Burton, and Keith Woodcock.

Absent: Grace Trudell

Guests: Tim McClintock, IAEI Board of Directors and Western Section Membership Chair.

President Falzon stated that Mel Kooiker is resigning from the Board after this meeting to retire. Mel was recognized for the 40 years as a member, 37 years working on the Hospitality Room, 24 years as the Hospitality Chair, 35 years on the Chapter Board. Congratulations Mel!

Previous Minutes: David Williams, Secretary, presented the Minutes of the August 11, 2021 Board of Directors meeting. Don LaBrenz. made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Don Iverson. **The Motion Carried.**

Correspondence: Secretary, Williams, reported on an email from Treasurer Chris Blackburn is planning on stepping down once a new person is in place as Treasurer.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer, Chris Blackburn provided the financial report. The account balance as of November 30, 2021 was \$89,224.10. The complete Profit and Loss Statement will be sent to the board later. The Visa charges for the past few months was reviewed due to the multiple charges for the Western Section Meeting.

Standing Committee Reports:

Education Committee: Brian Carter, Education Chair. The previous meetings we have registered each meeting with two programs in case a member was able to attend the one day but not both days. This will be the continued practice.

Annual Meeting Program, Chair, Chris Cleveland, the program had the morning programs changed due to the Guests Program tour guide schedule.

Annual Guests Program, Chair, Don Iverson, reported the guest's program as published.

Spring Meeting Program, Chair Open, if there are no volunteers it would revert to the 1st Vice-President. The Spring Meeting will be in Mt. Pleasant.

Spring Guests Program, Chair Open, looking for volunteers

Audit Committee: Chair, John Stoudt, had no report at this time.

Budget Committee: Chair, Chris Blackburn, the committee will be reviewing the previous budget and forward that to the Board.

By-Laws and Policy Committee: Chair, Tom Bowes, had no report.

Inspector School Committee: Chair, Scott Weaver, had no report.

Legislative Committee: Chair, Tom Bowes, reported on HB 5055 needs a more cursory review that originally thought. The Chapter is suggesting that we oppose the legislation since it is poorly written, and the previous requirements required the individual from another state to be licensed and that the states they are licensed has criteria that is comparable with the state of Michigan. This Legislation doesn't require license verification by the bureau to issue a license. This legislation eliminates the requirement for veterans to show proof of being licensed one year prior.

Meeting Location Committee: Chair, Bert Gale, was not in attendance.

2022 Spring Meeting, Holiday Inn, Mt. Pleasant. March 2-4, 2022. \$85.00

2022 Summer Meeting, DoubleTree Hotel, Bay City, June 15-17, 2022, \$121.00

2022 Annual Meeting, Bavarian Inn, Frankenmuth, November 30 – December 1-2, 2022. \$109.00

2023 Summer Meeting, DoubleTree Hotel, Bay City, June 14-16, 2023, \$121.00

Membership Committee: Chair, Chris Cleveland, The membership total as of today is 318 members. There are an additional 46 members that their membership expired this year. The Membership Awards and Membership Pins will be distributed Friday for those that reached a milestone anniversary in 2020 and 2021. We have 34 of our members that qualified in those two years.

Website Committee: Chair, Eric Moore, led a discussion regarding the registration charges for Eventbrite and PayPal. The chapter will review these fees to see if they can be reduced. There was a motion by Chris Blackburn and seconded by Chris Cleveland to provide the website chair a stipend of \$1,000.00 and Assistant \$250.00 for their efforts. **The Motion Carried.**

Vendor Participation Committee: Chair, Dave Vallier, is retired and will continue to serve. Additional Vendors are needed.

Hosting the 2021 Western Section Meeting: Chair, Don Iverson, reported on the success of the Michigan hosted Western Section Meeting in Bellaire, Michigan. The total financial review is not complete but it appears that we have stayed close to our budgeted numbers with some money left over. There were multiple compliments from other chapters and the Western Section Board on our sound/video system, Guest Program, entertainment, and the location. Chris Cleveland reported that the Guests donated \$1,100.00 to a charity and the Western Section matched up to \$1,000.00. The total donation of \$2,100.00 was for the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan. Mike Schultz felt it

was an outstanding meeting other than the breakfast did not match the Michigan's breakfasts we have at our meetings.

Western Section Meeting: Section Representative, Scott Weaver, Reported that the Next section meeting is in Souix Falls, South Dakota, September 18-21, 2022.

State of Michigan Report: State Electrical Chief, Lance Ash, reported on the bureau activities. They are working on the Energy Code Adoption and once sent to JCAR they will start on the 2020 Michigan Electrical Code Adoption. The Bureau hired a new plan reviewer. They are also looking for three limited term positions for plan reviewer for a nine-month period. The PA 407 rules are still in the process but no date for approval is in sight.

Meeting Registration Report: Registration Secretary, Brian Carter, reported that the preregistration numbers were 111 members and 8 guests. Brian stated he will be stepping down in two years and Bryan Thomas is interested in taking over at that time and will be trained moving forward. The Final Registration numbers are 116 member and 9 guests.

Unfinished Business: John Danic discuss a possible donation to Skills USA. Dan Radecki made a motion to make a donation for the Michigan Skills USA, not to exceed \$2,500.00, Seconded by Don Iverson. **The Motion Carried.**

New Business: Don Iverson brought up a topic that has been discussed numerous times over the years. The Guest's Program and the role of the Chapter Officers and conflicts with employers. There was also comments about limiting the Guest's Program to only one meeting a year. Scott Weaver made a motion to have President Falzon create a committee to review the future of the guest program, seconded by Vince Cooley. **The Motion Carried.** There was also discussion to have the Guests coordinate their own activities.

Pat Falzon discussed a proposal to consider partnering with other trades organization to sponsor a lobby group for the construction codes. The board is concerned about the costs and the benefit for our members. We have had lobbying support from other electrical industry organizations. We do need to engage our members when we want them to contact their legislators.

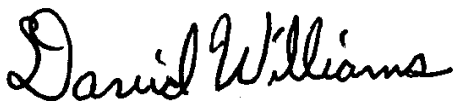
Announcements: Jason Head referenced the tragedy that occurred at Oxford High School. The fourth victim was the son of a IBEW member.

Adjournment: Dan Radecki made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Chris Cleveland, **The Motion Carried.**

The next Board meeting is scheduled at the Holliday Inn, in Mount Pleasant on March 1, 2022, 2:00 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 4:16 PM.

Respectfully Submitted



David Williams
Secretary