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MINUTES MINNESOTA CHAPTER 2013 FALL MEETING

MN Chapter IAEI fall meeting was called to order by President Dan Ordahl at 12:00 noon on October 16, 2013 at the Minnetonka Community Center. He welcomed special guests Robert Torbin, Director of Codes and Standards for OmegaFlex Corp., Jeffrey Fecteau of Underwriters Laboratories, past International President Richard Owen and George Cusick of Eaton's Bussmann Business (formerly Cooper Bussmann). Secretary Sampson read the minutes of the spring meeting which were approved without change.

With no additional old business, Ordahl asked for the treasurer's report. Sam said that the chapter had once again successfully completed the coordination of the contract electrical inspector's error and omission insurance, extended reporting coverage and bond through the Chapter's group policy with Federated Insurance Company of Owatonna. Additionally, the chapter spent \$100 for the full-page ad in the annual section meeting program, renewed the website domain and purchased refreshments for the IAEI Inspector Forum held August 22nd at DLI. The financial report was approved.

Secretary Sampson noted that the Chapter correspondence included a request from the International Office for a contribution to the capitol campaign for building, suggesting a 20% donation. After some discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed that we wait and review the financial status at a later date.

Other correspondence included the invitation to participate in the 2014 NCEL Upper Midwest Electrical EXPO April 17th and 18th at the Minneapolis Convention Center. It was proposed that we try to share the booth costs with the Department of Labor & Industry, as they will be rolling out their newest eTRAKiT about that time. Our spring meeting will be held at the EXPO on Wednesday afternoon and be followed with an expert panel responding to prepared code questions.

With no other correspondence, Ordahl asked for the committee reports. Marty Ignatowicz announced that the audit committee was about to schedule the date in January where they review the chapter financial records and tax return documents.

Membership chair Bob Sogla was unable to attend, but submitted a report indicating that the membership needed to work hard on soliciting new members because the chapter membership has either remained the same or declined in recent years. He remarked that if each member could bring in just one new member over the next 12-months, the membership would double by the end of the year. Bob requested that those present for the meeting invite someone to the winter meeting, in hopes that

they become a new member.

Tom Tobias reported that as chair of the Sunshine Committee he had sent cards to the family of Fred Brown, who passed expectantly this summer, to Marty Kumm on the death of his father-in-law, to Noel Westphal who had hip replacement surgery and to Jerry Gilbert who had shoulder and elbow surgery.

Education Committee Chair Dean Hunter described his experience at the Western Section meeting and encouraged everyone to register early and attend the University of Minnesota Annual Institute for Building Officials, January 8 and 9, 2014. Included in the registration fee for the first day of the Electrical Section is a copy of the NFPA/IAEI "Analysis of Changes to the 2014 NEC" which will be insightfully presented by its author, Keith Lofland. On Thursday, Michael Johnston of NECA will present 4- hours on grounding and bonding and finish the day with tips on inspecting electric vehicle service equipment. The second day includes a copy of the NECA "Standard for Installing and Maintaining Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment." As always, the registration fee includes hot lunch, breaks and parking.

Scholarship Committee chair Scott Nutting was delighted to oversee the lottery for the two \$500 scholarships and offer his congratulations to the 2013 scholarship recipients. George Cusick, our friend at Eaton's Bussmann Business (formerly Cooper Bussmann) drew the name of Andrew Torvund, the son of state inspector Doug Torvund. Past International President Dick Owen drew the Chapter winner, Bridget Novotny, the daughter of University of Minnesota inspector Scott Novotny.

Sam gave the report on the Western Section annual meeting held September 15th through 18th at the Doubletree Hotel in (rainy) Colorado Springs. Between the two separate panels made up of code experts, there was a presentation from NEMA Rep Don Iverson on inspecting water and fire damaged electrical equipment and Keith Lofland of IAEL oversaw CMP members in attendance present the Significant Changes to the 2014 NEC. Sam then proclaimed that after 17-years as the Minnesota Chapter Rep, he became the 2014 President of the Western Section. He reminded everyone to mark September 14th thru 17th for next year's annual meeting in Cleveland, Ohio – home of the Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame.

Sheldon Monson of the Nominating Committee announced the 2014 slate of officers:

- Past President Dan Ordahl
- President Wade Schlie
- Vice President Wayne Jespersen
- Secretary/Treasurer Marcus "Sam" Sampson
- Board of Director Members: Peggy Schlichte, Dave Kichler, W. "Chip" Jespersen, Randy Harris and Joe Wheaton
- Ex Officio Dan Neeser
- Ex Officio John Williamson

The election of the 2014 officers and directors as proposed was unanimous.

A motion was made and accepted to approve all committee reports.

John Williamson announced that the Department of Labor & Industry had published a request for proposals for inspection services in several areas of the state and hoped anyone who might be – or might know someone who might be – interested to take a look at the DLI website.

President Ordahl reminded everyone that the next chapter business meeting will be immediately following the first day of the Annual Institute for Building Officials, January 8, 2014. As always, the meeting will be followed by a social hour and dinner at the Chianti Grill.

With no new business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 and was followed by a presentation from Robert Torbin on "Bonding CSST Gas Piping Systems"

Respectfully submitted,
M. "Sam" Sampson
Secretary/Treasurer