

**Iowa Chapter IAEI
Spring Education and Business Meeting
Minutes
April 11-13, 2012
Ames, Iowa**

April 11, 2012

The first day of the Iowa Chapter's 74th Annual Spring Educational and Business meeting was called to order by President Rob Weber at 8:00 am. After members stated the Pledge of Allegiance, they were led in prayer by Dennis Jordison. Bob Kindred, Assistant City Manager from the City of Ames, welcomed attendees to the City and invited everyone to enjoy the sites and events while they are in town. Tony Servantez, the 1st Vice President of the Chapter, thanked everyone for attending and introduced our special guests: Danny King, Western Section President; Mike Forister, Western Section Secretary; Don Iverson, NEMA; Tim McClintock, NFPA; Dan Neeser, Cooper-Bussmann and Tom Lichtenstein, UL.

Up first for the educational portion was Rick Chambers beginning the section on 1 and 2 Family Dwellings. Jeff Cooper, Jerry DePenning and Dave Sullivan also taught sections of this training throughout the sessions. After a lunch break, Iverson spoke to attendees about NEMA enclosure types; Lichtenstein addressed NEC article 625 on vehicle charging systems as well as the applicable UL standards. The afternoon session ended with a discussion of requirements with the utility representatives who were in attendance. After the educational session closed for the day, the manufacturer's trade show opened and attendees were welcomed to peruse the new products and goodies brought by the reps. Door prizes were given out throughout the evening. After the trade show, attendees were on their own for the evening.

April 12, 2012

The second day of the conference started early with the annual Mike Forister Code Breakfast for those who could make it. After eating a good buffet breakfast, the teams dived into the questions with fervor. At 9am the entire session opened again with a continuation of the 1 & 2 Family Dwelling information. After lunch, Western Section President King addressed the attendees and gave his Western Section report. Iverson updated members on the happenings at NEMA and Lichtenstein spoke about UL issues. Iowa Chapter Membership Chair Chambers gave his membership report and Education Chair DePenning updated us on educational opportunities and asked for ideas for upcoming conferences. During this time, the slate of officers for the 2012-13 year was presented by the nominating committee:

President	Tony Servantez	Inspector, State of Iowa
1 st Vice	Mike Wetter	Associate, Mercy Health
2 nd Vice	David Bruns	Inspector, Washington
Secretary	Barbara Mentzer	Inspector, Altoona
Treasurer	Jason Garmoe	Inspector, Cedar Rapids
Executive Committee	Jeff Copper	Associate, NEIA Comm. College

	John Claeys	Inspector, Davenport
	Bill Noack	Associate, WLN Enterprises
	Duane Neff	Inspector, Grinnell
Western Section Rep	Dwight Kramer	Inspector, State of Iowa
Education Chair	Jerry DePenning	Inspector, Marion
Publicity Chair	Dennis Jordison	Inspector, Fort Dodge
Membership Chair	Rick Chambers	Associate, Chambers Electric
Past President	Rob Weber	Associate, Alliant Energy
'12-'13 Mtg Chair	Rick Chambers	

A motion to approve the slate as presented was made by Bill Moore; a second to the motion came from Curt Teeter, the motion passed with a resounding voice vote.

The remainder of the afternoon's educational session continued with the wrap-up of 1 & 2 Family Dwellings and a session on short-circuit calculations and code requirements by Neeser. The evening's activity was the annual Chapter banquet; after cocktails and dinner, WS President King performed the installation of officers and led the new slate through the oath of office. Incoming President Servantez addressed the crowd with his comments on the state of the Chapter and his goals for the upcoming year; he then presented Weber with his Past President's pin. Membership Chair Chambers presented the following members with years of service awards:

5 years

Joseph Eiben *
Terry Henninger *
Jay Leaman

10 years

Brent Kooiman
Ronald Strallon
Ralph McDowell

15 years

Don Thompson *
Roger Zeig *
Terry Crowe
Dennis Gurnsey
J. Mark Hirsbrunner

20 years

Mike Wetter *
Bill Noack

25 years

Ralph Anderson

30 years

Duane Neff *

Ray Delp

45 years

John Miller

Allen Ross

Erwin Stickfort

Those with an asterisk were in attendance at this meeting. Members having 10 years or more will receive a certificate from the International Office (presented at this year's Western Section meeting). Chapter members having 25 years or more, in 5 year increments, will receive the same in cash from the Chapter.

After many pictures and congratulations for the new officers, the attendees were entertained by the RJB Trio and their mix of classic music to dance and enjoy the evening.

April 13, 2012

Friday morning started with coffee and rolls and Rod Van Wart addressing the attendees with a program about equipotential planes. The remainder of the morning was spent on code panel questions. At noon the educational portion of the session adjourned and the business meeting was called to order by President Servantez at 12:18.

Business Meeting

The first item on the agenda was the approval of the minutes from the January 14, 2012 Executive Board meeting. **Wetter motioned to approve, Claeys made the second and it passed via voice vote (AVV).** The treasurer's report was given by past treasurer Thompson and is filed with these minutes. **Jordison motioned to approve the report; Weber 2nd; AVV.** Thompson stated he still needed to file the auditor's report with the International Office but he would get that done ASAP. **Jordison made a motion to approve all bills to be paid for the coming year without special meetings; Weber 2nd; AVV.**

Chambers presented his membership report: 196 current members in our chapter. He is working on the mentoring program and three people have offered to help him with this process: Moore, Harlan Haas, and Nick Patterson. They will have an update on their progress at the fall meeting in October.

Old Business brought discussion concerning the Chapter's sponsorship of the 2016 Western Section meeting. Kramer and Weber will draft a letter of intent to the Western Section Secretary and President for consideration at this year's WS meeting in Arkansas. **Weber made a motion to approve \$500 for the ad for this year's Western Section brochure; Kramer provided the second; AVV.** The invoice was given to Thompson and Mentzer will forward ad copy to WS Secretary Forister. **Mel Sanders motioned to donate \$350 toward the Charlie Trout Code Breakfast at WS; DePenning 2nd; AVV.**

Discussion was held about putting together a Codes and Standards sub-committee and a Facilities sub-committee; Dave Sullivan, Roger Zeig, Cooper and Mentzer were selected to fill the C & S positions; Chambers, Wetter and Mentzer will work on facilities. No other old business was brought forward.

In New Business, the Fall Educational Meeting was discussed; dates for this fall are October 25th & 26th in Iowa City. The dates will be changed on the website by Mentzer. DePenning asked for ideas for the sessions and agenda. Some idea brought forward included irrigation systems, energy code and arc flash updates. The July meeting of the Executive Board will be held on July 14th at the Marion City Hall at 10am.

Sanders made a motion to have two signatures required on all checks issues by the Chapter, having the Treasurer and President as mandatory and the Secretary as an alternate. Much discussion ensued; Jordison 2nd; AVV.

Before adjournment, the drawing for the grand door prize of \$200 was held and Don Thompson was the winner!

Motion to adjourn and the 2nd were offered up by many members; AVV at 1:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Mentzer
Secretary
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