Iowa Chapter Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Osgood at 9:02 a.m. at the Local 33 Training Center in Des Moines with 11 individuals attending.

The Treasurers report was given along with the Minutes of the previous meeting, there was a motion to approve and both were approved.

In State news updates were given about the jurisdictions that have been non-compliant with the adoption of the Uniform Plumbing Code and what they intend to do in the future now that they have been notified about their non-compliance. There was also an update given that the 2018 UPC is set to finally be adopted in September 2019 and the new testing over that code will start in November 2019.

The drawing for the Iowa Chapter of IAPMO Sponsorship to the IAPMO Conference in Reno, NV was completed and the winner was Liam Wilkins from Local 125.

In Open discussion there was a lot of good topics discussed such as if the first-time pass rates of a Mechanical Journeyperson and a Plumbing Journeyperson are where they should be and if anything needed to be changed to the testing process. There was also a discussion about the increase in the use of push fit fittings on multiple types of plumbing systems and how different jurisdictions approve and inspect these fittings. The increase of plumbers wanting to use air admittance valves in lieu of taking a vent out of the roof was also talked about along with the relationship between Health inspectors and Plumbing inspectors when there is conflicts between codes on projects.

Continuing education classes offered by the State Chapter are set to start in the fall of 2019. Here is a list of dates and locations that the classes will be held. Plumbing Classes- October 12th, 2019 at the Ramada Inn 525 33rd Ave Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 / November 16th, 2019 at the Ramada Inn 1810 Army Post rd. Des Moines, IA 50315 / December 7th, 2019 at the Elk Lodge 407 E. Park Ave Waterloo, IA / January 18th, 2020 at the Ramada Inn 525 33rd Ave Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 and June 20th, 2020 at the Elk Lodge 407 E. Park Ave Waterloo, IA. Mechanical Classes- October 5th, 2019 at the Ramada Inn 525 33rd Ave Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 / November 23rd, 2019 at the Elk Lodge 407 E. Park Ave Waterloo, IA / January 4th and 18th 2020 at the Ramada Inn 525 33rd Ave Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 / February 1st and June 6th 2020 at the Elk Lodge 407 E. Park Ave Waterloo, IA.

Upcoming meetings – September 19, 2019 meetings will be held at the Local 33 Training Center located at 2501 Bell Ave, Des Moines, IA and the November 21, 2019 meeting will be held at the Local 125 Training Center located at 5101 J Street SW, Cedar Rapids, IA.

There was then a Motion to adjourn, the Motion passed and the meeting ended.