The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chairman Colombo.

The meeting was held at the 2540 Severn Building in Metairie, Louisiana.

Fifteen (15) members attended.

Motion was made to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion was seconded and adopted by voice vote.

Motion was made to accept the financial reports of the previous month(s) as written. Motion was seconded and adopted by voice vote.

Guest Speaker, Mr. Scott Hamilton, Executive Director, ASSE International, updated the attendees with the latest information on ASSE International activity. Louisiana Regulations now require all Water Supply Protection Specialists to re-certify every three years for their ASSE 5000 Backflow Certification through a Training Provider that has been certified by ASSE. Attendees were advised to contact ASSE for additional information on the process of getting a school certified to ASSE Standards. Mr. Hamilton reviewed the existing, newly released and future ASSE Standards that are available and asked for committee participation on several of the standards that are in development.

Guest Speaker, Mr. John Barker, Executive Director, State Plumbing Board of Louisiana informed the attendees of the Plumbing Industry’s gains and losses in this year’s Louisiana Legislature. The LA PHCC and LA Pipe Trades/MCA Louisiana were unsuccessful in inhibiting the implementation of the upcoming I Code replacement for the Louisiana Plumbing Code. The Industry is looking at additional measures to avoid the January 1, 2016 activation date for use of the I Code. Good news was that Representative Ponti, who pushed the I Codes through the Legislature two years, has resigned his position as State Representative. Mr. Barker advised that he will keep the Louisiana Chapter up to date of any activity concerning the implementation of the I Codes in Louisiana.

Guest Speaker, Mr. Henry Heier, Executive Director, MCA Louisiana, addressed the attendees with additional information on the I Code invasion and those who seek to weaken the skillsets of the workers and do away with public safety in Louisiana. Mr. Heier thanked the LA PHCC, LA Pipe Trades/MCA Louisiana and all of those who joined forces and were present at the State Capitol on the days that the Legislature was to act on our bills. Non-Union or Union, as long as we work together toward the common cause of the Industry, we can ensure the protection of the citizens of Louisiana. Mr. Heier spoke on the promotion of Registered Apprenticeship as an avenue for the future Plumbing Industry Workforce and the impact that the Untied Association and PHCC are having with the promotion of Registered Apprenticeship at the National level.
**Old Business:** Chairman Colombo asked if anyone wanted to open discussion on planning an IAPMO Golf Tournament. It was agreed to leave the subject tabled.

**New Business:** None

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion passed by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Next Meeting Tentatively set for September 16, 2015.

Minutes recorded and submitted by:
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June 24, 2015