Chairman Phil Hood called the December 6, 2007 meeting of the Nebraska Chapter of IAPMO to order at 5:35 p.m. at the Lancaster County Extension Education Center in Lincoln, Nebraska. There were 54 members and guests present.

A motion was made, seconded and approved by the membership to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2007 meeting as printed, and the agenda for the December 6, 2007 meeting.

Treasurer Bill Fleischman presented the Membership and Treasurer’s Reports. As of December 6, 2007, there were 121 members. At the meeting, 2 new members were added, and 20 members renewed for 2008. The Treasurer’s Report indicated a sound balance in the checking account sufficient to allow the annual dues to remain at $10 per member for 2008.

New Business: Bob Siemsen reported to the membership of the adoption of the Uniform Plumbing Code by the country of India. This was a major accomplishment for IAPMO! The Uniform Plumbing Code has now been adopted by over 50 percent of the world. Bill Schweitzer, North Central Regional Manager for IAPMO, gave a report about the formation of a new Central Nebraska Chapter of IAPMO. He congratulated the Nebraska Chapter for its growing membership and membership retention.

Due to the recent resignation of the Chapter secretary, Rex Crawford was elected by the membership to fulfill the unexpired term as secretary until December 31, 2008. Secretary Rex Crawford then announced the names of the newly-elected officers and board members of IAPMO as follows: Ron Rice, President; Bob Siemsen, Vice President; and board members Bud Riestenberg, John Roth, Gary Hile, and Bruce Pfeiffer.

Members were reminded of the next IAPMO conference to be held in conjunction with ISH and the PHCC. This will be the largest plumbing trade show in North America, and will be held in Atlanta, Georgia in September 2008.

Next Meeting Date: The next meeting date was set for Tuesday, March 4, 2008 at the Lancaster County Extension Education Center. Door prizes were awarded to National IAPMO members, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Following the business meeting, Paul Johnson and Mike Barry from Aquila (local natural gas provider) talked about the proper installation of natural gas piping systems. Master plumbers received one hour of continuing education for attendance at this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

  Rex Crawford
Secretary