The meeting was called to order at 6:30PM on January 22, 2015 by Chairman Garth Bentley.

Self-introductions were made by the 25 members, and guests who were present.

Minutes from the previous meeting for November, 2014 were approved.

Following the dinner break:

Reg Parnell announced the Annual 8 Hour Continuing Education Code Change Class will be held March 7th at George Morlan Plumbing, 2222 NW Raleigh St, Portland. Reg passed around a sign-up sheet for the class. Reg emphasized the importance of having enough plumbers sign up for the class to make it worthwhile. The class is open to members and non-members. There will be a $50 fee for non-members which includes breakfast, lunch and a one year membership in IAPMO Cascade Chapter and E-membership in the national organization.

Reg Parnell announced that the annual membership dues have been increased to $50 to cover Cascade Chapter membership and an E-membership in the national organization.

Homer Humelbaugh, with the Oregon Building Codes Division, talked about BCD’s emphasis on training their inspectors for certification in other construction inspection disciplines within the Division. Being able to inspect more than one aspect of building construction saves time and conserves manpower.

Homer announced the Errata for the 2014 Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code is available on the BCD website.

Chairman Garth opened up to the membership nominations for Chapter officers for 2015. Nominated were; Garth Bentley for Chairman, Reg Parnell for Vice Chairman, Melissa Gitt for Treasurer, and Joe McNelly for Secretary.

Jed Scheuermann, IAPMO Regional Field Service Manager, performed the installation of the officers’ ceremony.

Jed Scheuermann gave a very interesting presentation on his participation the Nepal Sanitation Studio. This is a collaborative venture with IAPMO, HealHabitat, several Australian universities, and the local community health development program in Nepal. The project involved training local people to install and maintain toilet septic systems that also captured the bio-gas from the septic and piped the bio-gas into the home to use as a fuel source for cooking.
Also, rainwater is captured from the roof of the toilet facility and conducted to a cistern for a clean source of water for drinking and washing.

The meeting was adjourned at the usual time.

Next Meeting is March 19th, 2015

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Respectfully submitted by;
Joe McNelly
Secretary