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Report of NYSBOC Delegates meeting held in Kingston NY on March 3rd 2023 and also via zoom for those that couldn't travel due to weather. The meeting started at 9:08 and did not adjourn until 1:42. The meeting was attended in person by Mike Fields and via zoom by Dave Metzger and Rod Cameron.

President Marty Mosely gave a report on his activities since the last delegates meeting indicating that during 2022 he visited almost every chapter's conferences. He also awarded a plaque to Shawn Waldren who recently retired after working for NYS codes division for 43 years.

First VP Paul Taft reported on his work with the Code Safety Alliance on safety training for code officials. The training is currently expensive which they are looking at ways to reduce the cost. Municipalities that are members of ICC can apply for vouchers to obtain training.

The treasurer's report was read into the minutes by Marty, copies available, treasury still in good shape, a CD is coming due this month and will be reinvested at the best possible rate.

The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted.

The list of Past Presidents and honorary members was reviewed and discussed, this information will be provided on the website.

Chris Jensen reported on his participation at the Association of Towns.

The Conference Committee reports that the 2023 annual business meeting will be Tuesday September 12th at the Chautauqua Harbor Hotel during the Western Southern Tier Building Officials Association Educational Conference. More information on the hotel & meeting will be available later.

2nd VP Valerie Scott reported that the website is being redesigned and will be relocated to another provider as the present host is raising the cost of their services by several thousands. She showed the new website and went through all of the features that the new site will have and it is a huge improvement over the current site. They will be going live very soon and additional features will be added over time.

The bylaws committee provided an update to the last amendment proposal. There are a great number of changes in the works involving membership classes, voting provisions and much more. This discussion lasted quite some time as we went through each proposal separately. Some revisions were made to the latest version and will be finalized and reviewed at the next delegates meeting which is being designated a special meeting so that a vote can be made on the proposals. A new class of retired member is under consideration for those who no longer are employed making them ineligible for active membership yet still enable them to participate. Voting rights for such individuals may be restricted to those who are maintaining NYS certification. A new section establishing an Honorary membership committee that would review those applying for such status much as a nominating committee would and they would then make recommend to the ABM where the membership would vote on approval.

Dottie reported on ICC activities and urged everyone to do some PR work for Building Safety Month which is coming in May. She also reported that ICC will be looking for volunteers for various committees. The ICC conference will be October 8-11 in St Louis MO. At that meeting Steve McDaniels is up for reelection to the ICC board, we hope that there are a lot of NY representatives at the meeting. ICC is creating a joint certification for electrical inspectors in conjunction with IAEL. Steve reminded everyone that chapter reports to ICC are due this month, by doing so chapters get many benefits.

The region 6 committee reported that most of the discussions are involving the energy code related issues and the decarbonization efforts. Eastern states building officials meeting is in April no location known at the moment.

John Addario provided an update on state activities. Bill reported on training activities and reported on the large number of people that have done the basic training and the in-service online activities despite having only 3 trainers last year. He also noted that most of the complaints about the online Webex training involve

computer problems at the client end and not at their end. Also there have been some individuals that have post very inappropriate comments in the chat and that they will be disconnected when that happens, as some have already learned.

Section 1205 is currently proposed for a full rewrite but is just being developed now.

Section 1208 comments on the changes are due by April 10th.

Under old business the dues for 2024 were raised by \$5 so NYSBOC dues will now be \$30.

Under new business submissions were received for shirts for those attending the ICC meeting in October. A few chapters made submissions and it was decided that Tri_County's proposal was best and the cost was reasonable. NYSBOC will pay for shirts for those delegates that attend the October meeting, the shirts would also be available for purchase by others from the chapters that are going at cost.

The various chapters reported on their respective activities both recent and planned. Mike Fields reported on our chapter's recent conference.

The next NYSBOC meeting will be a special meeting hosted by Finger Lakes Chapter in the Rochester area June 2nd 2023.

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