

**Electrical Inspector's Association of British Columbia  
General Meeting of April 28, 2008  
Held at Cheers Restaurant  
125 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., N. Vancouver, B.C.**

**MINUTES**

The President, Jack Ball, extended a warm welcome to all and introduced the head table. Attending members and guests then introduced themselves.

**Guest Speaker**

Jack Ball introduced Mr. Don Cabatoff, President of Specialty Bulb Products Inc. Don used an extremely interesting power point presentation to describe the use of LED lighting products. Don explained how technology improvements had made LED's a more viable alternative to conventional lighting. Don described several applications for LED lighting and explained some of the key benefits of using LEDs, such as: reduced energy costs, long bulb life (up to 60,000 hours), cooler operating temperature, etc. Don concluded his presentation with an informative question and answer session.

Jack Ball thanked Don for his excellent presentation.

**Call to Order**

Jack Ball called the meeting to order at 20:11 hours.

**Minutes**

Jeff Lueck moved that the minutes of the previous General meeting of February 25, 2008 be adopted.

The motion was seconded by Carlo Turra. Carried.

**Business from Minutes**

Nil.

**Correspondence**

Jack Ball advised the meeting that Stephen Hinde had accepted an invitation to speak at the next EIA General Meeting scheduled for September 22, 2008.

Jack also noted the EIA would be renewing it's membership in the IAEL.

**Secretary's Report**

George Razzo reported that we currently have 46 members paid up for 2007, 62 members renewed for 2008, 10 members renewed for 2009 and 4 members renewed for 2010.

Ken Hoyem moved that the Secretary's report be accepted. The motion was seconded by William Scudamore. Carried.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Eric Sipila reported that our current bank balance was \$5390.83

Paul Stevens moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted. The motion was seconded by Carlo Turra. Carried.

### **EIA Website Committee**

Rick Porcina provided a brief overview of the current EIA website activity. Rick noted the level of activity had almost doubled from last year.

### **IAEI Convention**

Jack Ball advised the meeting that he would be representing the EIA at the IAEI convention which will take place in Toronto this fall.

### **Old Business**

Nil.

### **New Business**

#### **Code Violations due to spray painting**

Mauro Rubini raised several valid concerns regarding the detrimental effects to electrical equipment from spray painting, a practice currently used by the majority of painting contractors. Mauro described how the paint was entering enclosures and making it impossible to read nameplate and approval labels as well as making conductor identification difficult.

Ark Tsisserev suggested Inspectors enforce the rules contained in Section 2 of the CEC to combat this problem. Ark also suggested that we endeavour to educate the industry regarding this issue.

### **Dinner Prize**

The winner of the free dinner at the meeting was Keiller Gowans.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further new business, Jack Ball adjourned the meeting at 20:40 hours.