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Minutes of General Membership Meeting

DATE OF MEETING: December 15, 2005

LOCATION: College Park Sheraton

- I. Maria Marks called the meeting to order at 11:32 AM. Board members in attendance: Bob Baker, Buddy Dean, Dan Deckert, Susan Skiles, Dan Bennett and Andy Roe. All attendees introduced themselves.
- II. Andy Roe read minutes from the previous General membership meeting. Motion to accept meeting minutes was approved.
- III. Dan Bennett read the treasurer's report.
 - a. The balance was \$40,518.77 on this report dated December 2005.
 - b. Motion to accept treasurer's report was approved.
- IV. Bob gave a membership report; As of 12/14/05 there were 60 paid members; 16 Class A, 34 Class D, 7 Class G and 3 Class M. There were 37 unpaid members. It was noted that dues are now overdue for 2006.
- V. Discussion
 - a. Maria:
 - i. Maria noted that seminars at Capitol College in Laurel were held recently and were well attended.
 - ii. Our newest board member and treasurer, Dan Bennett was recognized for stepping up in place of the former treasurer Cary Spice who stepped down due to work commitments.
 - iii. A nomination committee has been formed consisting of Doug Bailey and Tim Wright. They will be soliciting members in good standing interested in running for the board.
 - iv. The next General Meeting will be held in Virginia at the Tysons West Park hotel in March. Members will be receiving an email confirming the date and discussion topic.
 - b. AFAA National
 - The schedule for AFAA National's annual meeting which is being held in Annapolis in April 2006 was discussed.
- VI. Presentation
 - a. Rudy Gondeck the Maryland State Elevator Inspector was scheduled to give a talk on elevator safety issues but due to a meeting with the commissioner he was unable to attend. Dan Deckert who works for the Montgomery County Fire Marshal's Office provided what he knew about how elevators are supposed to be controlled by the fire alarm system including when and why shunt trip is necessary. We will try to pin down the State Elevator Inspector at another time.
- VII. Meeting Adjourned at 2:00 pm.