REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE NEBRASKA IARP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tuesday, January 6, 2009

Billy's Restaurant 13011 H Street Lincoln, Nebraska

Attendees: Michelle Hultine, Dean Venter, Al Marchisio, Mike McKeeman, Lori Peterson, Paula Freeman, Patricia Reilly,

<u>07/25/2008 Minutes:</u> President Michelle Hultine opened the meeting and asked for a review of the 07/25/2008 Meeting Minutes. Lori Peterson made a motion to approve the minutes. Al Marchisio seconded the motion. All were in favor. The 07/25/2008 minutes were approved and accepted.

<u>Treasurer Report:</u> Michelle Hultine reviewed the Treasurer Report in Marc Hultine's absence. She noted that there was a Net Income in 2008 of \$1,700. Expenses and income from the Fall Seminar were fairly even. Pat Reilly made the motion to approve the Treasury Report as written. Mike McKeeman seconded the motion. The Treasurer Report was approved and accepted.

Committee Updates:

Membership Committee – Lori Peterson reported that they had hoped to focus on expanding the local chapter membership but had put the recruitment plans on hold temporarily due to the financial status of the National Office.

Changes to the Bylaws – Lori Peterson reviewed the process required for changes of the bylaws and it was agreed that we would plan to implement the procedures in time for the February membership meeting.

Legislative Committee – There has not been any new legislation that will directly impact us.

Program Committee – Paulette Freeman provided an update on this committee. She noted that Paulette Freeman, Michelle Hultine, Bart Hultine, Lori Peterson and Patricia Reilly attended the Fall Forensics Conference in Florida. The Nebraska Members were responsible for a Texas Hold 'Em Tournament, Raffle Prizes and a Live Auction of donated properties to help earn money to reduce the National Offices debt that had occurred due to a poorly attended conference in the spring of 2008. We discussed the possibility of holding a Spring Boutique in Omaha as the IARP would no longer be holding a Spring Conference. Paulette explained that we would try to reach IARP members regionally. The agreed upon date was May 7th and 8th for a 1½ day conference. It was agreed by the Board that we should investigate the possibility of speakers and vendors and then meet again in February for a Membership Meeting. Possible vendors and venues were discussed. It was agreed that a possible general theme would be "Rehabilitation in Uncertain Times".

New Business:

The resignation of Karen Stricklett was accepted and it was agreed that her position would be filled in May. Karen held a position on the Legislative Committee.

Call for Nominations for May will be discussed at the February Meeting.