

Pacific Northwest Region, National Model Railroad Association

Annual Membership Meeting

Red Lion Hotel

Pasco, Washington

Saturday, May 10, 2025

MINUTES (DRAFT)

- ACTION ITEM A Motion to call the Annual Membership Meeting to Order was made by Kurt Laidlaw and seconded by James Keena. Motion passed and was opened at 8:01am. James Keena, PNR Office Manager, certified that a quorum was present in person and on-line via Zoom Meeting.
- 2. Opening Comments: Jeff Herrmann, PNR President
 - a. Welcomed Members
 - b. Introduced PNR Offices and Division Superintendents present
 - c. Introduced special guest Gordy Robinson, NMRA President and Lee Calkins, Western Director Elect
 - d. Thanked 5th Division for putting on the Annual Convention
- 3. Office Manager Report: James Keena
 - a. PNR has 1,441 active members
 - Remembrance of those who have passed since the last Annual meeting
 - c. Constant Contact Communication tool subscriptions
 - d. ACTION ITEM Approval of Minutes of 2024 Annual Membership Meeting. Motion to accept as presented was made by Jack Hamilton and seconded by Lee Calkins. Motion passed.
- 4. Special Presentation: Gordy Robinson, President NMRA
 - a. 90th Anniversary Celebration activities
 - b. Lee Calkins, Western District Director Elect
 - c. New digital platform to be rolled out

- d. NMRA Convention in Novi, Michigan
- e. Discussed his thoughts on the future of the hobby
- 5. Announcement of 2027 NMRA Convention in Tacoma, Washington: Robin Peel
 - a. Robin Peel and Magnus Christerson to serve as co-chairs
 - b. August 10-15, 2027, at Tacoma Convention Center
 - c. Will be soliciting volunteer help from PNR
 - d. National Train Show August 14-15, 2027
- 6. NMRA Achievement Program Update: Bill Fassett, MMR, AP Manager
 - a. Golden Spikes Awarded in 2024
 - b. AP Certificates and MMR's Awarded in 2024
- 7. Announcement of 2026 PNR Convention: Dave Holden, Convention Chair
 - a. Tigard, OR May 15-17, 2026, at the Embassy Suites Hotel
- 8. Closing Comments:
 - a. Thanked those in attendance and on Zoom
 - b. Thanked 5th Division for hosting the Convention
 - c. Next Annual Membership Meeting will be held in Tigard, OR on May 16th
- 9. Meeting adjourned at 8:00. Motion by Kurt Laidlaw with second by Robin Peel. Motion Passed.

10.SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Motion to Open the 2025 Annual Membership Meeting. Approved
- Motion to accept the Minutes of the 2024 Annual Membership Meeting. Approved
- c. Motion to close the Annual Membership Meeting. Approved

Recorded by Jeff Herrmann, PNR President