



Pacific Northwest Region, National Model Railroad Association



Board of Directors Meeting

Jan 9, 2021

MEETING HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM

Minutes

ATTENDANCE:

Jeff Herrmann- President	Ed Liesse- Office manager	Russ Segner- Supt. Div. 4	Christopher Jones- Contest Chair	Greg Kujawa- Switchlist Editor
Kurt Laidlaw- Past President	Rich Pitter- Supt. Div 1	Dave Liesse- Award Chair	Victor Gilbert- Guest 6 Div.	Joel Slagg 3 Div. Convention Co Chair
Bob Parrish- Vice President	Ed Molenkamp- Supt. Div. 6	John Martin- Supt. Div. 7	Mike Chandler MMR- Guest	Shelly Shelstad- 3 Div. Convention Co Chair
Larry Sebelley- Asst. Treasurer	Tom Watters- Supt. Div. 3	Steve Loop- 2021 Convention Chair	Chris Mesa- 3 Div. Convention co Chair	Lori Sebelly-2021 Convention Registrar
Bill Fassett-Supt. Div. 5	Jack Hamilton- AP Chair	Shirley Sample- Nominations Chair	Stirling Millar PNR Secretary	

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** January 9, 2021 at 13:02 Pacific
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of the November 14, 2020 PNR Board of Directors meeting were approved as distributed:
 1. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Russ Segner and seconded by Rich Pitter.
3. **OPENING COMMENTS:**
 1. Brief discussion about campaigning in newsletters and other NMRA publications, discussion of deadlines for nominations and bio in newsletters. Most important aspect was equal placement.
 2. VP report: Roster list has been received, with expirations, 30 and 60 days overdue lists. A survey of members leaving found that the primary reasons included Change in Interest, Age, Downsizing. There were no problems in regards to management. Essentially we're sound
4. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Highlights: FYE: Deficit \$6520, Expected Deficit 2020: \$6500, no additional income expected in 2021, providing an expected deficit of \$6500. Dues allocation is

only region income at this point. Delivered by Jeff Hermann. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report: Motion: Rich Pitter, Seconded: John Martin. Carried

5. **2021 CONVENTION REPORT:** Presented by Steven Loop and Tom Waters. The proposed dates are four consecutive Saturdays in August running from 8:00-21:30 with lunch and dinner breaks. It's targeting 24 clinics and 16 layout tours.
 1. Registration fare is \$20. Fare will be split 50/50 between division and region.
 2. Expected formats are both live and prerecorded video and PowerPoint presentations.
 3. Keynote Speaker – Presented Early on first Saturday: Cody Grivno, Associate Editor Model Railroader
 4. Critical Issues
 - i. Lack of technical ability
 - ii. Lack of time
 - iii. Cost
 - Revenue: No current estimate
 - Advertise up front for recording
 - Fare split 50/50
 - iv. Session sharing is a concern
 - Members' list controlling access (R. Segner advised some of the techniques he used with NNG)
 - v. IP Concerns
 5. Layout tours: Including video recordings by people from outside of Division/Region
 6. Tom Waters requested list for assistance
 - i. Jack noted that NMRAX are good template
 - ii. As close to a real convention on Zoom
 - iii. Model Contests
 7. Auction/Flea Market handled through Groups.io
6. **CONVENTION CONTRACT REVIEW:** Existing contract to be reviewed. Contract stipulates \$1000 loan to be a grant. Needs to sent to PNR President and 3rd Div Supt. Fare to be split 50/50
7. **DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS:**
 1. Rich Pitter – No New Report – progressing on 2022 Division Meet
 2. Jeff Schultz – No report (Absent)
 3. Tom Waters – See convention report
 4. Russ Segner – Division is holding Monthly Zoom Meetings and Layout Tours. There are five groups within the division doing meetings
 5. Bill Fassett – No Report
 6. Ed Molenkamp: Membership is good, groups are progressing with zoom meetings. Progressing with NMRA Canada.
 7. John Martin: Modelers' meet in April upcoming, there's an entertaining slate lined up.
8. **ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING:**
 1. **Next meeting:** March 6, 2021 at 13:00 Pacific

Respectfully Submitted,

Stirling Millar, Secretary PNR