



Pacific Northwest Region, National Model Railroad Association



Board of Directors Meeting: VIA ZOOM

Saturday, November 5, 2022

12:00 noon PDT

Meeting Minutes

Attendees			
Jeff Hermann	Kurt Laidlaw	Stirling Millar	Peter Armstrong
ED Molenkamp	Shelley Shelstad	Bob Parrish	Greg Kujawa
Christopher Jones	Shirley Sample	Jeff Schultz	Richard Kurchner
Rich Pitter	Rick Martin	Larry Sebelley	Bill Fassett
Ed Liesse			

1. Call to Order: 12:03
2. (5 minutes) Opening Comments from Region President: Jeff Herrmann
 - a. Welcome new board members:
 - i. Richard Kurschner- VP
 - ii. Rick Martin- Treasurer
 - iii. Bill Messecar- 4th Div. Superintendent
 - b. Replacing PNR Office Manager
 - i. Ed's service recognition Mention of Duties
 - ii. Target end date: End 2022
 - iii. Duties:
 - i. Rosters - Break it apart, file generation for repotings
 - ii. Highlight types of reports (Around 40 reports/month)
 - iii. Answering questions about NMRA
 - c. Modeling with the Masters: 2022 Convention Kit (HO Scale MOW Shed- Motrak Models # 83004) available \$30 plus shipping
 - d. NMRA Interchange: new social media platform
3. (2 minutes) Secretary's Report: Stirling Millar - Passed
 - a. Approval of Minutes: August 27, 2022
 - b. Approval of Minutes: May 11,2022
4. (5 minutes) Treasurers Report: Rick Martin, Treasurer - Passed
 - a. Current financial status
 - i. Running in Red - \$5600
 - i. Lower income from conventions
 - b. Banking and Investment Status
 - i. Investments moved into new account
 - ii. Primarily CD and Money Markets

- c. Draft Budget - Get input by end of November - to be completed by December 2022
 - i. How to generate income
- 5. (20 minutes) PNR Pathfinder Program: Jeff Herrmann
 - a. Membership Retention - Assimilation
 - i. Most are first and second year members lost
 - ii. Not able to get engaged
 - iii. Maintain contact and develop personal contacts
 - iv. How to increase engagement
 - v. Job Description
 - vi. Focus on Division - Proximity
- 6. (10 minutes) 2023 PNR Convention Update: Kurt Laidlaw, Convention Co-Chair
 - a. Fairly well
 - i. Registrations: 37 FF US, 2 FF Canada, 1 Youth
 - ii. \$10000 in bank
 - iii. Doing reasonably well, more registrations.
 - iv. Modelling with the Masters
 - i. Flat Car on the website
 - v. Registration up by \$10 due to regfox fee increase
 - vi. Revisiting contract
 - vii. 27 layout tours
 - viii. 4 for operating sessions (Wednesday/Sunday)
 - ix. N-Trak layout
 - x. Sponsorship for Ice Cream Social/Banquet
- 7. (15 minutes) Selective Recruiting: Jeff Herrmann
 - a. APB as opposed to recruiting
 - b. Recruiting via engagement
- 8. (5 minutes) Switchlist update and articles needed: Greg Kujawa, Switchlist Editor
 - a. Looking for super reports 3/5/6
 - b. Education team absent
 - c. Layout articles
- 9. (5 minutes) PNR Achievement Program: Bill Fassett, PNR AP Manager
 - a. Pressure on Asst/AP Manager.
 - b. Volunteer for M. Cope. Mentored is active in club for recruiting younger members. (At 11)
 - c. 12 Month 111 AP certificate, 2 MMR.
 - d. Good Help from Divisions.
 - e. DIV 3/5 for list of evaluators. Not required to have certificate.
- 10. (5 minutes) PNR Education Team: Jim Rice, Chairman - Not Present
- 11. (10 minutes) Division Reports: Updates, "best practices," and mutual support as necessary
 - a. Rich Pitter - Mothballs for last about 2 years. Breakman's Rag - Email letter as opposed to newsletter. Some AP work. List incoming for AP Evaluators. No table at Medford, last year as president. 3 New Members.
 - b. Jeff Shultz - 8 Regular members attending, Couple of tables at meet first week in December, Lots of neat stuff.
 - c. Shelley Shelstad - Core group stuck with division - "Waking up group"
 - d. Bill Messecar - Absent
 - e. Peter Armstrong - 2025 convention - Bill is Committee Chair. - Nothing to Report outside of that.

- f. Ed Molenkamp - Fall line up of shows - Edmonton brought in 5K, Supertrain is due for 2023, Shows for 2023 in Winter/Spring.
 - g. Victor Gilbert - Absent
- 12. Closing Comments: Jeff Herrmann
 - a. Next Meeting: January 7, 2023 VIA Zoom
- 13. Adjourned at 13:57