

**Feather River Rail Society  
Board of Directors Meeting – February 12, 2022 – 1:00 PM  
Western Pacific Railroad Museum Meeting Room – WPRM, Portola, CA**

President Greg Elems called the meeting to order at 13:11.

**Attendance**

**The following Directors were present:**

Kerry Cochran – phone	Steve Habeck	Matt Elems - phone
Greg Elems	Roger Stabler - phone	Janet Steeper - phone
Bob Sims - phone	Charlie Spikes - phone	Eugene Vicknair - phone

9 directors present at meeting start – Quorum achieved.

**Visitors:**

Matt Shuman – Election Committee chair - phone  
David Elems – Asst. CMO, Safety Officer  
Ethan Doty

**Correspondence**

*G. Elems*

- Approached by person who saw report about WP freight cars getting scrapped. Sent some photos of some WP covered hoppers in service. Offered to help save one.

*Habeck*

- Long time member R. Vernon Finwall sent a letter. Sent \$100 in fundraiser. Wanted 3 of our calendars and would send payment. Sent letter that he wanted it handled a certain way. Eugene Vicknair and Bob Sims will take over issue.

*Cochran / Vicknair*

- Received inquiry through website today from UK rail enthusiast group coming to California for 2 weeks on September 30, 2022. Asking if museum could be open by arrangement for small group of about 10. General feeling is not a problem unless we need to operate train. Kerry Cochran will respond with details.

**Consent Calendar**

- Minutes – Minutes of the January 2022 BOD Regular Meeting.

Motion 22-02-01

Approve the January 2022 BOD Minutes as presented.

Vicknair / Spikes. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 1. Motion carries.

**Closed Session** – requested by President Greg Elems and Director Eugene Vicknair – 1:37 PM – 2:25 PM

- *Business Item* – Donation
- *Collection Item* – Possible Donations
- *Business Item* – Museum Property

The Board heard a report on a Business Item – Donation. Consensus direction given. No reportable action taken.

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## **Old Business**

### **1. Review and Revise 2022 Budget (Vicknair / Hansen)**

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Review updates and changes to the 2022 FRRS Budget.  
Discussion. Possible Action.

- Outlined changes to income and needs for mechanical expenses.
- Received \$9,200 from Shuttered Venue Grant. Added to income side.
- Discussion about mechanical needs.
- Discussion about lube oil costs.
- Set lube oil at \$15,000 and fuel at \$11,000 on expense side.
- Review again next month.

Motion 22-02-02

Approve the revised 2022 budget as amended.

Vicknair / Spikes. Aye – 9, Nay – 0, Abstain – 1. Motion carries.

## **New Business**

### **1. Discounts for Visiting Museum Members (Vicknair)**

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Clarify policy on discounts / admission for member of other museums.  
Discussion. Possible Action.

- Written report provided.
- Steve Habeck discussed how we get letter from NRHS and other groups asking about discounts.
- Discussion about limiting to railroad museums. Possible limiting to transportation museums?
- Discussion about amount of percentage off. Current admission is \$10 and \$25 for family.
- 20% discount.
- Eugene will revise report and get to Kerry for policy creation. Vote next meeting.
- Put on March agenda.

## **Good of the Order**

### **President's Report**

- *Written reports provided.*

### **Financial Reports**

- *Written reports provided.*
- Discussion about transactions.
- Income looking good compared to 2021.

### **Director's Reports**

- *Habeck – written report provided.*

- Snow melt flooding north side of building.
- Comments that we need to address this.
- Need to look at heater in Archives car.
- Need to get heater in Lounge car fixed.
- *Vicknair* – written report provided.

### **Event Reports**

- 2022 Western Pacific Convention
  - Eugene Vicknair setting up Thursday mixer at The Depot, call on Monday
  - Going to send special mailer for convention Monday
  - Greg Elems signed Amador Bus Contract
  - V&T Excursion very popular
  - Bob Sims following up with emails with those who register

### **Department Reports**

- *General Superintendent* – written report provided.
- *Historical / Archives* – written report provided.
- *Train Sheet* – written report provided.
  - Discussion about content for next Train Sheet
- *Webmaster* – written report provided.
- *Headlight* – written report provided.
- *Funding* – written report provided.
  - Discussion about replacing roll up doors on east end
  - Consensus direction to go with passenger cars for grant
- *Mechanical*
  - Need oil for WP GP20 2001
  - Discussion of issues with Big White forklift
- *Facilities* – verbal report given.

### **Committee Reports**

- *Election* – written report provided.
  - White Ballot notification postcards have gone out.
  - Discussion about future changes to white ballot notification process.

Kerry Cochran, Matt Shuman and Roger Stabler left meeting – 4:18 PM

### **Legal / Insurance Report**

- Paid Liability Insurance completely for 2022

### **Status of Surplus Property Report**

none

### **Safety Committee**

- Snow stopped. Ice dams around the museum. Getting around dock and from handicapped parking is hazardous. Lots of ice falling off roofs. Lots of mud, puddles and ice.

### **Public Comments**

none

### **Notices**

none

**Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at:16:24 (G. Elems / Vicknair)

Next Meeting: March 12, 2022 – 1:00 PM  
Location: WPRM Meeting Room, Portola, CA

Respectfully Submitted  
Eugene Vicknair – FRRS Secretary

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PRELIMINARY