

## January 2008 Special Meeting Motions and Actions Summary

This meeting was called on January 15, 2008 to discuss three items of urgency with the Board of Directors that were unable to hold until the regularly scheduled February Board Meeting.

### Motions Passed

#### Motion 08-01S-01

Scrapping of ex-Amtrak Power Generator Car  
Authorization to proceed with scrapping of ex-Amtrak Power Generator Car.

Brehm / Thurman. Aye - 4, Nay - 1, Abstain - 0.  
Motion carried.

#### Motion 08-01S-02

Status of MRS-1 544

Approval to move forward with completion and/or annulment of contract with Doug Morgan regarding MRS-1 544.

Thurman / Vicknair. Aye - 5, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0.  
Motion carried.

### Derailment Incident

President McClure reported an incident had occurred on Saturday, January 12, 2008. Four cars derailed and about 150' of track was damaged. Speculation is that ice buildup in the flangeways was the cause. No official cause has been determined. Incident is under investigation by the Superintendent of Operations.

The Board expressed satisfaction at being notified of the situation immediately and will withhold any further action or comment pending completion of the investigation.

## February 2008 Board Meeting Motions and Actions Summary

### Motions Passed

1. Consent Motions - removed motion 08-02-01.

. Financial Reports - Profit/Loss and Balance Sheet through end January 2008.

2. Business Motions

#### Motion 08-02-02

California Association of Museums Convention

Motion to send Director Monger to CAM convention in Fresno, February 25-27. Director Monger to pay expenses (\$275 registration fee) and submit for reimbursement later.

Holmes / Brehm. Aye - 6, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0.  
Motion carried.

#### Motion 08-02-03

March Meeting Date Change

Motion to change the March BOD Meeting date to March 1, 2008.

Brehm / Monger. Aye - 6, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0.  
Motion carried.

### Actions and Notices

- Director Monger discussed the possible targeted closure of Plumas-Eureka State Park. He proposes that FRRS offer of temporary home to the P-E docents group. Vice-President Habeck proposed sending a letter to P-E docents offering to talk about options, signed by President McClure. Consensus direction to draft a sample letter and bring to Board.

### Museum Manager's Report

- Museum is basically snowed in. Three feet of snow on ground. Snow drift in the building, 1-1/2' high due to broken windows.
- Flooding in the display room and gift shop. Water in electric room.
- Gift Shop receipts down \$57,000 over last year.

### Director's Reports

*Monger* - Thanked David Epling and Director Vicknair for great update of website. Suggested bid auction to ride the rotary next time it operates in the snow.

*Parker* - Showed Rotary video from recent operation. Copies were delivered to various TV news channels. KNRV aired it, as did KREN under banner saying "Western Pacific Railroad Museum". Also posted on YouTube.

### Department Reports

*Operations* - VP Habeck reported basic info on possible ice derailment and that an investigation is ongoing. Also talked about clean-up. About 200 ft. of track to repair, plus maybe put in a switch that has been proposed for several years. Damage to track and ties, not equipment. Director Monger is projecting early April to repair track. Loren Ross, Superintendent of Operations, is doing investigation.

*Gift Shop* - Director Vicknair is assisting John Walker in exploring set up of gift card sales and

a ringtone store. Director Monger reports that Athearn is coming out with WP Fs in Genesis line, including 917 and 921.

### Committee Reports

*Model Railroad* - Merrill Thurman has changed his loan to acquire the Z scale into an outright donation. Bob Sims is donating \$1000 in money and equipment to FRRS for the Z Scale. Nick Larusso is also donating equipment to the Z Scale. MicroTrains is looking at custom WP stuff. Committee Chair David Epling also has HO scale stuff from Frank Brehm. He thanked Board for giving committee use of the SP caboose 1337.

*Election* - Report on those declared to run: Matt Parker, Frank Brehm (both incumbents), Doug Morgan, Charlie Spikes, John Walker, Rod McClure. Nominees have until end of month to confirm running.

*Donations* - Bob Sims also donated money to the archives.

### Closed Session

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 1:57 PM and reconvened to open session at 2:23 PM. VP Habeck reported the following out of closed session:

"The Board heard 4 reports on various items, 1 legal issue, 1 personnel issue and 2 business issues. Information was given, no reportable action taken."

## March 2008 Board Meeting Motions and Actions Summary

### Appointment of Department Heads

President McClure announced an adjustment to department heads:

- Director Monger is now in charge of Grant Writing and Funding Department, including thank you letters, tracking, etc.

### Motions Passed

1. Consent Motions - removed motion 08-03-01.

. Financial Reports - Profit/Loss and Balance Sheet through end February 2008.

2. Business Motions

### Motion 08-03-02

Diesel Shop Windows

Approve budget of \$3000 from line item 70005

on a funds available basis to replace windows on north side of Diesel Shop with plexiglass due to ice breakage.

McClure / Brehm. Aye - 8, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carried.

### Motion 08-03-03

Derailment Report

Report to be forwarded to directors for their review and tabled until April meeting.

Brehm / McClure. Aye - 8, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carried.

### Museum Manager Position

John Walker resigned from Museum Manager position effective Feb. 13. He took a job with Nevada State RR Museum. FRRS wishes him well. He has offered to assist with some duties while we find a replacement to handle at least the Gift Shop and RAL scheduling. Consensus direction given to form search committee, look for candidates and review issues raised in discussion. Search committee is President Rod McClure and John Walker.

### Actions and Notices

- Discussion of plans for special train runs for 2009 events. FRRS is working with UP to get firm date. Jim Ley and Phil Schmeirr are working on WP related historical markers.
- Discussion on the idea of charging admission to non-members. Consensus direction given to explore this further as part of events for 2009.

### President's Report

- CSRM is donating surplus rolling stock. We have been offered WP 70' beer box, one of the first steel mechanical PFE refrigerator cars, WP Mt. Vernon wood boxcar and an early SN flat car. Consensus direction to pursue.
- Scrappers have stopped until snow melts. Will return, finish and clean-up the grounds.
- Has received tentative email request from Reno Airstream group looking at restoring the WP Airstream trailer we have. Will get more info.
- Should have rate to move CCT 24 caboose next week. Need to air test CCT 24 and then it will be ready to move.

### Director's Reports

*McClure* - Merrill Thurman made a loan to acquire Z Scale layout last year. This was canceled in exchange for donation letter, which will be going out next week. Also, Bob Sims has donated \$6000 to split as follows: \$2000 archives, \$1000 Z scale and \$3000 general fund.