

**Feather River Rail Society
Board of Directors Meeting – October 9, 2021 – 1:00 PM
Western Pacific Railroad Museum Meeting Room – WPRM, Portola, CA**

President Greg Elems called the meeting to order at 13:18 PM.

Attendance

The following Directors were present:

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

9 directors present at meeting start – Quorum achieved.

Visitors:

David Elems – Asst. CMO, Safety Officer
Bart Hansen – Treasurer, arrived 1:39 PM - ph

Correspondence

G. Elems

- Got letter from EPCAN thanking us for first batch of food from admission discount. Have more to deliver.
- Darren Holt purchased speeder from Coffee Express. Wanted to buy 12 ft sections of rail for display. Turns out he is part of Digby Fire. Does forest mulching. Wants to come to museum and do firesafe work on sage brush and fence line. Greg will talk to him some more.
- Visitor yesterday joined museum. Is a steel artist and wants to buy damaged, old spikes for his projects. Wants to volunteer as a welder.

Habeck

- Got letter from High Sierra Animal Rescue asking for a donation.
- Got letter from land broker wanting to buy our property.
- Need to get receipts to Steve and Susan on credit card.
- Santa Trains 2022 we will need a new Santa. Dave Rudolph is no longer doing it.
- CalTrans announced they will be rebuilding Highway 70 from Cromberg to Portola, starting Fall 2022 or Spring 2023. Three year project.

Consent Calendar

- Minutes – Minutes of the September 2021 BOD Regular Meeting.

Page 2 – noted change on Expanding Season: verbage change needed

Page 1 – Correspondence: Hatch and Kirk

Motion 21-10-01

Approve the minutes of the September 2021 Regular Meeting as amended.

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

Old Business

1. 2022 Western Pacific Convention (Cochran / Vicknair)

Finalize dates for rescheduled convention in Reno.
Discussion. Possible Action.

- May 13-15, 2022 is recommended for rescheduled Convention.
- Greg Elems will contact Best Western about those dates.
- Consensus approval for those dates.

New Business

1. 2023 Western Pacific Convention (Cochran / Vicknair)

Discuss offer to do joint convention with PCR in 2023.
Discussion. Possible Action.

- Received query from Pacific Coast Region to hold joint convention in 2023 in Sacramento.
- Written report provided.
- April 20-22, 2023 is target date.
- Consensus direction given to proceed.

Good of the Order

President's Report

- Not much to report. Keeping work going.

Financial Reports

- Written reports provided.
- Bart Hansen thanks Eugene Vicknair for getting the recent grant.
- Regular income is up from last year.
- Grants are keeping us going despite lower attendance.
- We have had really good response to our additional open days through late September and early October.

Director's Reports

- *Vicknair* – written report provided. List plans for RAL not locomotives for brochure. Change image of 428. Add photo of 2001 and 484 by oil house. Do some test prints. Discussion of membership analysis. Possible WP boxcar for donation.

BREAK – 2:15 PM – 2:30 PM

Event Reports

none

Department Reports

- *General Superintendent* – written report provided.
- *Historical / Archives* – written report provided.
- *Train Sheet* – written report provided.
- *Webmaster* – written report provided.
- *Funding* – written report provided.
- *Museum Store* – written report provided. Need more of the Archive books.
- *Facilities* – written report provided.
- *Mechanical* - Slowly chipping away at work on SP GP9 2873. Has received parts on order from Hatch and Kirk. Hopefully next month will be closer to operation. Expected to operate Spring 2022. Quincy TR6A 1100 working well. Has been working with Roger on WP 0-6-0 165. Been making it in only 3 days a week, 1 to 2 hours a day.

Committee Reports

none

Legal / Insurance Report

- D&O Insurance has been renewed and first installment paid.

Status of Surplus Property Report

none

Safety Committee

- Hoping to call Alpine Fire next week and get caboose extinguishers serviced.
- Just drained water riser hydrant by oil house. Other riser by pan not in service. Everything else looks good to go on water drain. Tuesday morning forecast is 23F. Water buffalo drained. Winter trying to get here.

Public Comments

none

Notices

- Steve Habeck purchased 30ft extension cord for powering Sweetwood car.
- Roofing delayed due to COVID outbreak at vendor.

Closed Session– 2:44 PM – 2:58 PM

- Business Item – Potential Business Opportunity

The Board heard a report on a Business Item - Potential Business Opportunity. No reportable action taken.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at: 15:02 (Vicknair / G. Elems)

Next Meeting: November 13, 2021 – 1:00 PM

Location: WPRM Meeting Room, Portola, CA

Respectfully Submitted

Eugene Vicknair – FRRS Secretary