

**Feather River Rail Society**  
**Board of Directors Meeting – October 12, 2013 – 4:00 PM**  
**WPRM Meeting Room – Portola, CA**

President Rod McClure called the meeting to order at 4:27 PM.

The following Directors were present

Tom Carter	Greg Elems	Steve Habeck
Gail McClure	Charlie Spikes	Eugene Vicknair

**Attendance**

Rick Gruninger	Ron Huey – Election Committee (phone)
Norman Holmes	Bob Sims (phone)
James Mason	Matt Elems
Matt Shuman – Election Chair (phone)	David Elems

**Correspondence**

*Rod McClure* – Chris Skow responded that his company will still be trying to run an excursion train to Portola in 2014 even if we cannot participate. Says he has several hundred people interested. Also received letter from Cascade Rail Foundation asking for extension of free storage of Milwaukee 5057 through end of this year

**Motion 13-10-01**

Motion to grant Cascade Rail Foundation free storage through December 31, 2013 for Milw Road U25B 5057. (Elems / G. McClure) Aye – 5, Nay – 1, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

**Consent Calendar**

Minutes of the September 2013 BOD Meeting.

**Motion 13-10-02**

Motion to remove consent calendar from agenda. (Vicknair / Habeck) Aye – 6, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

**Old Business**

**Disney Zephyr Location / Placement Work**

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Approve proposal to permanently locate Disney Zephyr cab. Tabled from September.

- Written report provided.
- Questions about location and how to secure until it is ready for visitors.
- Suggestions to place Plexiglas in end of cab for viewing.
- Concerns about structure of dock. May need to rebuild dock completely.
- Discussion about access to the dock and utilization of the dock.
- Idea to place Disney cab inside shop presents concerns about space usage and blocking track 2.

**Motion 13-10-03**

Motion to accept the proposal to permanently site the Disney Zephyr cab in the proposed location on the east end of the Loading Dock.

(Carter / Vicknair) Aye – 5, Nay – 0, Abstain – 1. Motion carries.

**Calendar Review**

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Review and make changes to 2014 Event Calendar. Tabled from September.

- Preliminary calendar provided.
- Discussion about off-site meetings.

- Request that we place track and mechanical work weekends on the calendar.
- Review of dates.

#### **Motion 13-10-04**

Motion to accept the amended calendar for 2014.

(Vicknair / Carter) Aye – 5, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

### **New Business**

#### **Changes to Election Procedures**

Suggested changes to FRRS Board Election procedures. Continued from September.

- Written report / recommendations provided.
- Discussion of how to assign expenses and prepayment of mailing costs.
- Suggestion that candidates only pay for reproduction, not postage costs.
- Review of suggested changes.
- Recommendation to continue to November so the Board can review and provide suggestions to Election Committee and Kerry Cochran as Policies and Procedures Chair.
- The Board thanks Matt Shuman and Ron Huey for their work on this.

### **Good of the Order**

#### **President's Report**

- Spent a day with the CCT General Manager concerning possible donation of locomotive 1790. Received donation of used ties and switch stands. Need to arrange trucking.
- Spoke with Matt Monson for turning wheels on S1 switcher 512 and other locomotives.

#### **Director's Reports**

- *Vicknair* – Kickstarter and Rally.org updates. Written report provided.
- *Habeck* – We had break-in to the Volunteer Lounge Car. Lots of food and a can opener were taken. Damage to south side door of Lounge Car. 2001, 707, 925-C, 608 and 805-A are all drained and set-up for winter.
- *Monger* – Cascade Rail Foundation had two volunteers working with FRRS volunteers to prep Milwaukee Road U25B 5057 for movement. Work will continue into next year. (report provided by email)

#### **Financial Reports**

- *Financial Reports provided*
- Received final check from scrapping. Added \$21,000 to reported cash on hand.
- Discussion of status of operating accounts and restricted accounts.
- Discussion on Board of Trustees meeting. Questions came from Trustees meeting.
- Suggestion that Board have discussion in May with Susan Scarlett and Chad Hoelsing concerning how finances and taxes are handled so that Board can ask questions.
- Discussion of how restricted accounts are structured.
- Place on agenda for November a determination of how RAL proceeds are being used to repay and build Endowment. Also need to review Endowment status.
- Trustees have questions about their role and scope. Review at November meeting.
- Suggestion that the Chair of the Board of Trustees receive the monthly financial reports from the Endowment. Requires a motion and action by the Board of Directors. Place on November agenda.
- Matt Shuman is now chairman of the Board of Trustees.

#### **Event Reports**

- Planning has begun for Santa Trains. Charging \$10 per car or \$5 with donation of 3 canned food items for food banks. Setting up cookies and advertising.

## **Department Reports**

- *Publications* – Train Sheet status. Written report provided. Two issues in process. Editor Vicknair will be resigning from position after these issues are complete.

## **Committee Reports**

*none*

## **Legal / Insurance Report**

- With sale of Fourth Street house, insurance has been cancelled.

## **Status of Surplus Property Report**

*none*

## **Safety Report**

- Use of personal protection gear is improving.

## **Public Comments**

- Norman Holmes went on WWII honor flight from Reno to Washington DC.

## **Notices**

*none*

## **Closed Session** – requested by President McClure and Director Vicknair – 7:08 PM – 7:15 PM

- *Legal Item* – Worthen v. FRRS

The Board heard a report on a Legal Item – Worthen vs. FRRS. No action taken.

## **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at: 7:16 PM  
Next meeting: Saturday, November 9 – 1:00 PM  
Location: Best Western Orchid Suites  
Roseville, California

Respectfully Submitted, Eugene Vicknair - Secretary, FRRS