

**Feather River Rail Society**  
**Board of Directors Meeting – November 13, 2021 – 1:00 PM**  
**Western Pacific Railroad Museum Meeting Room – WPRM, Portola, CA**

President Greg Elems called the meeting to order at 13:04.

**Attendance**

**The following Directors were present:**

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

8 directors present at meeting start – Quorum achieved.

Director Roger Stabler on the property but is tending WP 165 steam up

**Visitors:**

Bart Hansen – Treasurer

Noted that many people on property for steam up

**Correspondence**

The Board formally acknowledges the passing of member and volunteer Stephanie Le'ne Lakey Parker. Our condolences to her family, including Matt Parker and Gail McClure.

*G. Elems*

- Still waiting to hear back from D&D Roofing and on contract for Convention.
- USS Hornet Museum wants to do a brochure exchange.
- Tentatively looking at doing another photo class after the 2022 Convention.
- Talked to Kerry about archives donation from Steve Hancock.

*Habeck*

- Has letter from someone who wants brochures. Also Lost Sierra and other local groups want brochures.
- Has RLHS renewal.
- Received letter from AT&T about internet upgrades in the area. Kerry Cochran and David Hansen are working on getting fiber optics into the museum.
- Got envelope with 1 issue of a WP Mileposts from person in Mississippi.

*Vicknair*

- Getting lots of positive notice on social media.

**Consent Calendar**

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

Motion 21-11-01

Approve the minutes of the October 2021 Regular Meeting as presented.

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

**Old Business**

none

## **New Business**

### **1. 2022 Budget (Hansen / Vicknair)**

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Review proposed budget for 2022.  
Discussion. Possible Action.

- Tabled to December 2021 BOD Meeting

### **2. 2022 Event Calendar (Vicknair)**

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Review proposed event calendar for 2022.  
Discussion. Possible Action.

- Received alterations from Kerry Cochran.
- Board made changes.

Motion 21-11-02

Approve the revised version of the 2022 Event Calendar.

Vicknair / M. Elems. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

## **Good of the Order**

### **President's Report**

- We had a successful fire up yesterday on WP 165. Found some problems and having those fixed. Plan is to move engine under power today. Some of Rod McClure's ashes will be sent through flues.

### **Financial Reports**

- Written reports provided.

### **Director's Reports**

- *Vicknair* – written report provided. Look at 2,000 brochure print.

### **Event Reports**

- *2022 Western Pacific Convention* – hotel is working on contract. Discussion about running special train for convention tour. Tom Hervey is still banquet speaker.

### **Department Reports**

- *General Superintendent* – written report provided.
- *Historical / Archives* – written report provided.
- *Train Sheet* – written report provided.
- *Webmaster* – written report provided.

Matt Shuman joined meeting – 2:00 PM

- *Headlight* – written report provided.
- *Funding* – written report provided. "Track and Time" for \$100 donation.
- *Museum Store* – written report provided. Questions about roof water issues and if roof repair held. It did. We did get other water intrusion.
- *Facilities* – written report on tree trimming provided. Concerns about some of the trees still standing. David Elems looking at who can come out to deal with them.

## Committee Reports

- *Election* – written report provided. Working on getting info and dates into Train Sheet and out online and in email. Does not feel we will need a separate mailing. Thank you to Matt and the committee for their work during a hectic time. Concern about date for annual meeting due to conflict with bike race. Discussion about alternate options. Put on December 2021 Board agenda.

Matt Shuman left meeting – 2:19 PM

## Legal / Insurance Report

- D&O Got final check to settle the Kasten lawsuit.
- Insurance will be changing with start of steam operations. Liability premiums will go up.

## Status of Surplus Property Report

none

## Safety Committee

- Hoping Fire extinguishers up to date.
- No snow and ice yet.

## Public Comments

- *Charlie Spikes* - suggested we need to raise membership dues.
- *David Elems* – mechanical work on diesels has been on hold so he could help with WP 165. Going to drain WP 1503 next week and tagged unoperable. Found new source for shop lights. Will be doing another filter change on WP 1503 and wants to do full oil change.
- *Greg Elems* – we received positive postings on the recent photography class.

## Notices

none

## Closed Session– 2:32 PM – 2:39 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: 14:40 (Vicknair / M. Elems)

Next Meeting: December 11, 2021 – 1:00 PM  
Location: WPRM Meeting Room, Portola, CA

Respectfully Submitted  
Eugene Vicknair – FRRS Secretary

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