

**Feather River Rail Society**  
**Board of Directors Meeting – June 2, 2012 – 3:00 PM**  
**WPRM Meeting Room – Portola, California**

President Rod McClure called the meeting to order at 3:04 PM.

The following Directors were present

Kerry Cochran	Norm Holmes	Tom Carter
Eugene Vicknair	Frank Brehm	Rod McClure

**Attendance**

Jack Palmer  
Charlie Spikes – Facilities Manager  
Gail McClure – Museum Store Manager  
James Mason – Treasurer  
Debra Baer  
Kirk Baer  
Ron Huey  
Ann Morningstar  
Greg Elems

**Correspondence**

- Received clippings from various papers about Dunsmuir RR Days.
- Restitution hearing for Hospital arsonist delayed.
- Full title for donated house arrived.

**Consent Calendar**

Approve minutes of the May 2012 BOD Meeting  
Motion 12-06-01  
Approve consent calendar.  
Vicknair / Carter. Aye – 5, Nay – 0, Abstain – 1. Motion carries.

**Old Business**

none

**New Business**

**Short Term Capital Plan**

- Written report provided.
- Positive comments from Treasurer and thanks to President McClure and Director Vicknair for putting it together.
- Questions is plan was set in stone. Plan is a guide and is flexible.

Motion 12-06-02  
Approve Capital Plan proposal.  
Carter / Holmes. Aye – 6, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

**RAL Pricing**

- Written report provided.
- Fuel prices about \$3.80 to \$4.00 a gallon delivered.

- Recommendation to increase all RAL plans \$20. Discussion to do \$25 to make the prices more rounded numbers.

Motion 12-06-03

Approve RAL price increase \$25. New prices will be Plan A - \$175, Plan B - \$200, Plan C - \$300. Effective date August 1, 2012.

Brehm / Vicknair. Aye – 6, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

## **Good of the Order**

### **President's Report**

- Written report provided.
- Dunsmuir prep almost complete. UP 1996 SP heritage engine coming up Canyon now. Train leaves Tuesday for Roseville, Wednesday to Dunsmuir.

### **Financial Reports**

- Reports and financials provided.
- Noted that the financial summary is a snapshot of a single day and is not a good indicator of what will happen in the future. Always a moving target.
- As of Friday, June 1, we have almost \$20,000 in the bank and income coming in.
- Current cashflow to date 2012 is running a profit, versus deficit in 2011. Income is ahead of 2011 and expenses are lower.
- Noted that there is now a business plan in place and plans to put in place a financial reserve fund. Thanked the Board for their work on this and applauded the Board for approving the plan.
- 2011 Year End Financial Report presented.
- Noted that in 2011 we fared much better than other non-profits. Our collections and assets are safe and secure, despite cashflow issues in 2011.
- Noted that large deficit for 2011 was due mainly to one-time expenses like Hospital clean-up.
- Went over 2011 Financial Report, answered questions from Board and members.
- Treasurer Mason will donate the printing costs for the 2011 Year End Report.

### **Director's Reports**

- *Vicknair* – Sponsorship brochure, samples shown to Board.
- *Carter* – Written report provided at meeting. eBay sales of surplus scale models has netted almost \$2500 to date. Asked Board to start putting out more reports with more info so that members can see what progress is being made.
- *Cochran* – Has been looking at operation from new position as General Superintendent. Agreed with Tom Carter's comments and added more statements that we need more communications and better communications.
- *Holmes* – Asked about status on moving equipment from his property. Quotes are coming in.

### **Event Reports**

- *Portola Railroad Days 2012* – Committee is meeting every Monday. So far, no funders have come forward. Still unsure if they will be able to have event. Old accounts are being closed out so that new committee can move forward. Committee would like a Winterail type event in the evening, but we will wait and see how event develops. Asked about museum operating shuttle. Suggestion that it might be better to have Plumas Transit operate. Suggestion to lock up local business people other figures in Party Caboose "jail" as a fundraiser. Museum has committed to doing some events on property and those are the only ones we will do. Live steam group with rideable equipment is willing to come. Suggestion to have FRRS booth uptown to direct people to museum. Thanks to Debra Baer for all her work and contacts.

### **Department Reports**

- *Operations* – 4 more people qualified for operations. Thanks to Tom Carter for all his work on training, also thanks to Rick Gruninger and Bill Parker for their ops work.

- *Museum Store* – Restocking is in process, bringing in things for girls and toddlers as we have been getting requests. Have received a lot of stock for Dunsmuir. Lots of changes happening in Store. Will also be doing more communication coordination. Thanks to Stephanie Parker, Matt and David Elems, Debra Baer, Debbie Reynolds and everyone else who has volunteered for Store operations

### **Committee Reports**

- *Web Operations* – Request to do new publicity of FRRS Yahoo List and verify members on list.
- *Election* – Written report provided. As of 3 days after mailing, over 50 ballots have been returned. Ballots will be counted July 14.

### **Legal / Insurance Report**

none

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

none

### **Safety Report**

- Bees and hornets are a big problem this year.

### **Public Comments**

- Gail McClure thanked Ron and Ann Huey for donating \$100 again this year in honor of her and Rod McClure's anniversary.
- Ron Huey thanked the Board for their work. Stated that he is impressed with the positive direction that he is seeing and wanted to underscore the importance of communication. Noted that we need to get word out that Society needs volunteers, assistance, etc. Applauded emails on FRRS List in recent weeks discussing activities at the museum.

### **Notices**

- June 2, 5:30 PM – Membership Dinner and Annual Meeting

### **Closed Session** – 4:45 PM to 5:28 PM

- *Legal Item* – FRRS v. Kasten / ITAC
- *Personnel Item* – Communication
- *Personnel Item* -- Personnel

The Board heard a report on a legal issue – FRRS v. Kasten / ITAC. No action taken.

The Board heard a report on a personnel issue – Communication. Consensus direction given.

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### **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at: 5:29 PM  
 Next meeting: Saturday, July 14, 2012 – 4:00 PM  
 Location: WPRM Meeting Room  
 Portola, California

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Eugene Vicknair  
 Secretary, FRRS