

Feather River Rail Society
Board of Directors Meeting – February 7, 2015 – 1:00 PM
Oaks Meeting Room at the Orchid Suites – Roseville, CA

President Rod McClure called the meeting to order at 1:01 PM.

The following Directors were present

Eugene Vicknair	Gail McClure	Wayne Monger - phone
Charlie Spikes - phone	Tom Carter	Kerry Cochran
Greg Elems - phone	Steve Habeck	Kirk Baer

Attendance

Alicia LaBrecque
Jeff Asay
Bill Meeker

Correspondence

none

Consent Calendar

Motion 15-02-01

Approve the minutes for the February BOD Meeting.

Vicknair / Carter. Aye - 6, Nay - 0, Abstain - 3. Motion carries.

Old Business

none

New Business

Printing of Rule Books

- Request expenditure of \$300-\$400 to print new operations rule books.
- Written report provided.
- Have not printed rule books since 2003. We are almost off.
- Estimating cost of \$300 to \$400.
- Budget has \$500 for Operations – Other – line 69000.
- Consensus direction given to budget rule book printing from Ops line item 6900.

Acquisition of Painting Supplies and Equipment

- Request expenditure to purchase equipment for use in equipment painting.
- Written report provided.
- In the past we have paid for professional painter to paint equipment.
- Tom Carter has been talking to profession painters formerly of UP Heritage operations to learn painting techniques.
- We have several pieces to paint in these next years and need to order personal protection equipment and new equipment.
- Estimated cost for materials is \$2,600. Requesting \$3,500 total. This will save us a lot of money over hiring work out.
- Equipment being examined for acquisition is high quality equipment that is designed to save paint and avoid extra spray.
- Question about where we would be painting. We will be using the shop and using proper paint and proper personal protection gear.
- Concern about expense at this time for equipment.
- Discussion about display locations for equipment and concerns expressed about possible vandalism vs. visibility.
- Noted on the record that Steve Habeck is the yardmaster for the museum.
- Treasurer requested that we put off purchase until June.
- Discussion that we could phase equipment purchase.

- Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) portion would be required in May.
- Tabled to March Meeting to revise timeline for acquisition.

Request for Mailing List

- Request by declared candidate to use mailing list for campaign materials.
- We have received requests to release our mailing list to two candidates for the 2015 Election, one of whom has requested this information for campaign purposes.
- As the Secretary is a candidate for election and the Secretary is the relevant authority for the mailing list under our policies, he is bringing this to the full Board as he is recused from making the decision solely.
- Several directors expressed that they are opposed to releasing the mailing list for private use.
- A few years ago a company obtained our mailing list and sent out a mass mailing for their benefit.
- Under our policies, the membership list is considered confidential information and the privacy of our members is an important issue.
- It is pointed out that we have a fair and open policy for submitting candidate statements.
- Our policy is that we will not release the list privately. It is solely for business use of the Society. The Secretary is instructed by the Board to inform the requesters that the Society will not release the list.

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President's Report

- Written report provided.
- *RPCA Convention* – Discussion of seminars and information received from RPCA attendance. Steve Lee attended RPCA as one of our representatives. Almost 100 visitors came to the museum the Sunday following the convention.
- *Locomotive Work* – Dave McClain and Dwight Whetstone replaced a bad lower liner seal on Quincy TR6A 1100 and David Elems is working on the fuel sight glasses for US Army H-12-44 1857.
- *Baldwin AS616 Sale* – Hines, Oregon is doing well in raising the money needed for purchase and movement. No free move, so other alternatives are being looked at. Discussions continue.
- *Waste Oil* – Paperwork submitted to EPA for a Waste Oil Generator permit. This will allow us to sell waste oil to a proper company and get it safely removed from the property. Permit obtained at no cost.
- *Painting* – Henry Koenig, Union Pacific Steam Department (retired), will be doing the painting on SW1500 1503 and will be instructing Tom Carter in painting techniques. This will save us a lot of money in painting in the future. Thank you to Henry!
- Thank yous to various volunteers for the work in January.

Financial Reports

- Reports provided
- 2015 Budget provided – discussion, possible action required
- Financial report will be in form of discussion concerning budget and current status
- Report was given verbally in conjunction with discussion of budget.
- Noted that there was an error on income side, the following changes have been made:
 - Reduce 44200 - Train Rides to \$4,500
 - Increase 40300 – Contributions, other to \$8,500
 - Increase 44100 – RAL to \$45,000
 - Increase 45000 – Asset Sales Income, other to \$40,000
 - Increase 46000 – Rental Income to \$6,500
 - Increase 46700 – Misc. Income to \$15,000
- Add line item for Restoration Painting Equipment (pending approval) 56XXX for \$3,500
- Noted that WP SW1500 1503 restoration is not listed on expense side. Needs to be added.
- Noted that we made money in 2014 and are doing better than in past years.
- Suggestion to table budget approval to March meeting for approval.
- Request that the Board review and provide feedback.
- Noted that some of the rental equipment payments are behind again.
- Suggested that status of accounts for rental equipment be sent as soon as possible.
- Preliminary budget will be provided to bookkeeper.

Director's Reports

- *Vicknair* – written report provided: building purchase, wood shop
 - Suggestion that we look at selling the frame for the New Melones Dam building to support acquisition and building of new building. Place on agenda for March, 2015.
- *Monger* – written report provided: donation letters for 2014 complete and mailed out

Event Reports

- *Santa Train 2014* – written report provided: net income of \$1,366.09 and 1150 pounds of canned goods donated to local food bank
- *2015 Convention* – written report provided
 - Information will be out this weekend for convention. There have been problems getting contract for event on part of event location.
- *Excursion Trains* – written report provided
 - Chris Skow will be running two excursions this year. Tentatively we approve working with them. There are logistics to be worked out. One trip is on Father's Day and there will be up to 100 people coming on property from one of the trains. Discussion of how to handle payment for admission. Could prepay on train. Other date is in October and museum would need to be open special for the event.

Department Reports

none

Committee Reports

- *Election 2015* – written report provided. Noted that two candidates had requested phone call in number, however our policy restricts conference phone access.

Legal / Insurance Report

none

Status of Surplus Property Report

none

Safety Report

- Tom Carter, David Elems and Rick Gruninger are putting together new information on safe operations.

Public Comments

none

Notices

- Winterail, the last in Stockton, and the Convention are coming up in the next few months.

Closed Session

Requested by President McClure and Director Vicknair – 2:01 PM – 2:12 PM

The Board heard a report on a Legal issue – FRRS v. Kasten / ITAC and Gateway Rail Services. No action taken.
The Board heard a report on a Business issue – Contract violation. Consensus direction given. No action taken.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at: 2:29 PM
Next meeting: March 7, 2015 – 1:00 PM
Location: WPRM Meeting Room
Portola, CA

Respectfully Submitted,
Eugene Vicknair
Secretary, FRRS