

**Feather River Rail Society  
Board of Directors Meeting – April 13, 2024 – 9:00 AM  
Western Pacific Railroad Museum Meeting Room – WPRM, Portola, CA**

President Greg Elems called the meeting to order at 9:05.

**Attendance**

**The following Directors were present:**

Greg Elems  
Steve Habeck - phone  
Kerry Cochran  
Charlie Spikes - phone

Roger Stabler - phone  
Bob Sims  
Janet Steeper  
Eugene Vicknair

8 directors present at meeting start – Quorum achieved.

**Visitors:**

Jim Moomaw  
Shane Starr – President, NCO Ry

**Correspondence**

none

**Consent Calendar**

1. Minutes – Minutes of the March 2024 BOD Regular Meeting. Tabled to May 2024.

**Old Business**

none

**New Business**

none

**Good of the Order**

**President's Report**

- Verbal report provided.
- Had conversation with two non-members but possible donors. One is a possible display train layout. Second is a person in Reno, has history with WP. Wants to donate some media items from the railroad.
- Also have been in contact with Ed Dickens. UP 4014 event is now official. We will be hosting the Big Boy for 2 nights. We will have it at museum for July 11, 2024. Need to get museum cleaned up and prepped. Need to arrange porto-potties, need to fix the road and parking lot, need to do some work with UP PR Dept. Going to form up event and start promoting. Wed 10, Thurs 11, Fri 12. Need to talk to FRA and PUC on some things.

**Financial Reports**

- Financial reports provided.
- Fundraiser has received over \$5,000.

**Director's Reports**

- *Vicknair* – written report provided
  - Discussion of Des Powers managing Private Equipment.

## Event Reports

- *2024 Convention*
  - Discussion of convention status.
  - Discussion about availability of shows for web viewing.

## Department Reports

- *Webmaster* – written report provided. Discussion about RAL web changes and RAL promotion.
- *Train Sheet* – written report provided.
- *Mechanical*
  - Work done on SP GP9 2873, prepping for paint. 2873 now running tight.
  - WP 0-6-0 165, crew working on 165 this week. Throttle repaired. Static water testing right now. Need bonnet and then can do full hydro. Working on jacketing insulation. White forklift back in service. Requesting FRA for hydro week after 25th of May.
- *Facilities*
  - Need to do things for Big Boy visit.
  - Shower, lounge and sleeper all open and functioning.
  - Greg still needs to talk to Mast Roofing. Wants to get understanding on project for Diesel Shop with new operator.
  - Charlie has Coke supplier coming in next week.
  - Eugene, Janet and Kerry need to work on store set up

## Committee Reports

none

## Legal / Insurance Report

- Eugene and Greg had meeting with Des Powers on the Private Equipment agreements and policy. Need to talk with various private equipment owners.

## Status of Surplus Property Report

none

## Safety Committee

- David Elems setting up fire extinguishers signed off. Going to schedule for June.

## Public Comments

*Shane Starr*

- Keep up what you are doing.

*Greg Elems*

- Heard comments from public. Explained Whitman Grant to some members and got excited response. Reviewed things that must happen before funds released. Question about internal layout and displaying SafeTran consoles in Whitman Building.

## Notices

- Convention banquet tonight

## Closed Session – none

## Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:49

Next Meeting: May 13, 2024 – 1:00 PM  
Location: WPRM Meeting Room, Portola

Respectfully Submitted: Eugene Vicknair – FRRS Secretary