

**Feather River Rail Society**  
**Board of Directors Meeting – August 7, 2010 – 4:00 PM**  
**WPRM Meeting Room – Portola, California**

**Attendance**

President Rod McClure called the meeting to order at 4:04 PM.

The following Directors were present

Norm Holmes	Frank Brehm		
Tom Carter	Eugene Vicknair	Rod McClure	Charlie Spikes

Director Monger arrived at 4:11 PM. Director Habeck arrived at 5:06 PM.

**Election of Officers**

President

Rod McClure nominated. (Carter / Vicknair)

No further nominations

Aye – 6, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Elected.

Vice-President

Steve Habeck nominated. (Spikes / Carter)

No further nominations

Aye – 6, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Elected.

Treasurer

James Mason nominated. (Vicknair / Holmes)

No further nominations

Aye – 6, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Elected.

Secretary

Eugene Vicknair nominated. (Carter / Brehm)

No further nominations

Aye – 5, Nay – 0, Abstain – 1. Elected.

**Appointment of Committees and Officers**

Motion to continue with current committee chairs and department heads. (McClure / Carter)

Motion 08-10-01. Aye – 6, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

**Correspondence**

- Plumas county Search and Rescue is doing their annual fundraiser.
- Trains Magazine put out an issue of Historic Trains Today with a nice write-up on our Run-A- Locomotive program.

**Consent Calendar**

1. Minutes – Minutes of the General Meeting from July 2010.

Motion to accept consent calendar with amendment listing arrival times. (Carter / Spikes).  
Motion 08-10-02. Aye – 7, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

## **Old Business**

none

## **New Business**

### **Modesto Crossbucks**

Written report submitted.

Request by City of Modesto to provide 1 or 2 Tidewater Southern crossbucks for display.

Agreement that we can give them one if they transport. We can help restore.

Modesto will be asked to provide a plaque.

Motion to donate a Tidewater Southern crossbuck to city of Modesto FOB Portola. (Brehm / Holmes)

Motion 08-10-03. Aye – 7, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

### **Baggage Car Use**

Removed and tabled to next meeting.

### **Fall Shows**

Written report submitted.

Approve participation in International Railfair in Fall 2010 and budget for Folsom event.

Gift Shop show budget has \$610 left in budget for IRF. Concensus direction given to participate.

Folsom tabled to September meeting.

David Epling to get info on taking a motorcar to Folsom.

Norm Holmes to check on motorcar trailer.

## **Good of the Order**

### **President's Report**

- Written report provided.
- WP F7A 917 returned to service 3 weeks ago. McClure was assisted by Cody Wilson; Steve Habeck; Greg, Matt and David Elems; Ken Finnegan; Bill Parker; Bart and David Hansen; Bil Jackson; Ed Powell, and Seth Adams. Engine has been returned to RAL service after many repairs.
- Quincy 44 tonner 3 was also returned to operation by Rod McClure, Steve Habeck, Cody Wilson, Seth Adams, Bil Jackson and others. New batteries donated by Bob Sims. Dave McClain and Dwight Whetstone are working on repairs to #2 engine.
- North side of Diesel Shop cleaned and organized. Steve Habeck, Rod McClure and Cody Wilson cleaned out the Operations Office and the West Service Bay in the Diesel Shop, the area west of the Battery House and other areas. McClure and Wilson also cleaned the south side of the Diesel Shop. Habeck cleaned out inside of Battery House and McClure hauled old batteries into Reno for disposal.
- Rod McClure, Cody Wilson, Terry Decottingnies and Steve Habeck turned the donated 45 ft container for use as Gift Shop storage.
- Plan is to load first SP suburban coach on Monday following meeting.

### **Museum Manager's Report**

- Written report submitted.

- Volunteer thanks: in addition to those mentioned in President's report, Bruce Bowman completed painting of Edenwold sleeping car roof, Charlie Spikes and Bil Jackson installed new drinking fountains, Thom Anderson and Dave Pires working on the Display Room, Dave Malvorino built new donation boxes, Bill Parker and Rick Gruninger led team in completing West RIP track 2 switch, Bruce Veilleux got the webcam working again and installed a new, second camera, Tom Carter set up the new I-Volunteer software donated by Ed Wagner.
- Two weeks from Railroad Days and there is a lot to do still. Tracks Ahead film crew will arrive August 17.

### **Financial Reports**

- Written reports provided.

### **Director's Reports**

*Vicknair* –Update on Harvard Community Partners status, surplus equipment report and Gift Shop inventory. Thanks to Fred Ellenbaas for restriping and resetting the handicapped parking area, Bob Sims talked about restoring a mechanical impact register used for testing on WP's cushion underframe cars. Bob talked about making a display talking about the cushion underframe cars and testing program.

*Holmes* - Kent Stephens wants to donate his historical collection, about 3-4 storage units full. Eugene Vicknair to arrange with WPRRHS to move collection from Chico to Reno.

### **Department Reports**

*Operations* – Written report provided. Listing of July operations volunteers, both in train service and other projects. Bill Parker and WorldPak Flexible Packaging company restored a Rail saw and Rail drill to operation. Both used on RIP track 1-2 project. Terry Decottingnies is working on the volunteer deck. Bil Jackson work on white forklift and big air compressor. RIP track 1-2 crew included Rick Gruninger, Craig Simmons, Bil Jackson, Norm Holmes, Zach Compton, Ken Compton, Bart Hansen and Bill Parker. Extra help from Rod McClure, Steve Habeck and Cody Wilson.

*Steam* – Team just completed work session. Work going well.

*Zephyr Project* – Railroad Days Saturday Dinner cancelled.

### **Committee Reports**

*Acquisition / DeAcquisition* – Excursion line in Ohio expressing serious interest in MILW 5057. Lots of casual interest in SD9s and AS-616, but little from museums. Mostly operators and private owners.

### **Legal Counsel Report**

none

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

none

### **Safety Report**

There has been lots of clean-up and reset going on. There are things around due to work for RR Days

### **Public Comments**

none

### **Notices**

- Portola Railroad Days in 2 weeks

### **Closed Session**

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 5:24 PM and reconvened to open session at 5:30 PM. Director Vicknair reported the following out of both closed sessions:

“The Board heard a report on a business issue – Equipment Donation. No action taken.

The Board heard a report on a business issue – WPRRHS Archives Donation. No action taken.”

**Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at: 5:31 PM  
Next meeting: Saturday, September 11, 2010 – 4:00 PM  
Location: WPRM Meeting Room  
Portola, California

Respectfully Submitted,  
Eugene Vicknair  
Secretary, FRRS