



Report From the Board of Directors

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Secretary of the Board

Board of Director's Meeting December 13, 1992

On the publicity report, Norm Holmes stated that the FRRS will be listed in the Shasta-Cascade Motorland Association yearly guide, as well as in an attraction guide being produced by California State University, Chico.

Regarding steam locomotive acquisition, it was reported that Dave Anderson was still working with people at Roseville and Placer County Fairgrounds regarding the possibility of the FRRS purchasing steam engine SP 2252. A letter from the Nevada State Railroad Museum stated that they now have permission to spend bond money to purchase steam locomotives at Heber City, Utah including a 3-truck shay that the FRRS wants. They stated that they would prefer a first generation diesel-electric from us in trade for the Shay. The board discussed trying to find an SP unit for this trade, especially if we are able to purchase it from LMC Metals at Richmond. Discussion followed about how much the FRRS should be willing to pay, and that we will need further negotiations with NSRM in coming months.

On the facilities report, Norm Holmes gave an update on Ken Roller living in the "Silver Spike" bunk car at the museum. Norm and Gordon Wollesen are still working to finish upgrades on the car.

The UP Steam excursion from Salt Lake City to Portland OR was extensively discussed as was the 1992 TRAIN Convention.

On the General Manager's report, Norm Holmes reported on the purchase of a new set of batteries for engine WP 512. Precision Scale used our troop sleeper car as a prototype for measurements and presented us with an "O" Scale model of it. Regarding Pacific Lumber Log flatcars, it was reported that we have selected 2 of the cars. Norm Holmes was waiting for trucking company to call regarding moving schedule. From state surplus in Sacramento, we have picked up a large saw and a press at reasonable prices. There was a dis-

ussion of electrical problems and fluctuations inside the enginehouse. We may need to have the power company and/or an electrician come in and find the problem. Next was a report about two inquiries in November from movie companies who wanted to use the museum for filming. The first wanted a freight train with a stock car (which we don't have) and the other wanted a roundhouse (which we don't have). Next was a report that we purchased a locomotive bell from an antique shop in Chico, CA.

Under diesel acquisition, the 3 US Steel Baldwin S-12's were discussed including their move, and their disposition.

Under new business, the Preservation Symposium in Sacramento on April 2, 3 and 4, 1993 was discussed. It was suggested that all FRRS board members should attend.

Extensive discussion followed about our National Track Motorcar Championships and their connection to the Almanor Railroad run. Also discussed were insurance needs for the joint Almanor Railroad run plus whether or not to split the NTMC and the Almanor events. The option is to keep 2 events as they are now, and the FRRS would get AA-RO (American Association of Motorcar Owners) national insurance policy for the one day Almanor run and would require all participants to be AARO insurance policy holders. There was general agreement by the board members, and we will keep the FRRS in control of the Almanor Railroad run without having to use the museum's insurance policy.

The FRRS calendar of events was discussed and approved.

The board heard and approved a proposal from an Amtrak employee to purchase our "Silver Accordion" car.

Board of Director's Meeting January 10, 1993 was cancelled due to excessive snow, closed roads and lack of sufficient number of board members for a meeting.

Accommodation Guide

As a service to the many members who travel great distances to visit our museum, we are providing this list of accommodations that are near to Portola. The FRRS is not in a position to specifically endorse any of these accommodations. * denotes an FRRS member.

Portola 96122

- *Sierra Motel, 380 E. Sierra (P.O. Box 1748) (916) 832-4223
- Sleepy Pines, Hwy 70 (P.O. Box 1540) (916) 832-4291
- *Upper Feather Bed and Breakfast, 256 Commercial (P.O. Box 1528) (916) 832-0107

Blairsden/Graeagle 96103

- Feather River Park Resort, Hwy 89 (P.O. Box 37) (916) 836-2328
- River Pines Resort, Hwy 89 (P.O. Box 117) (916) 836-2552

Clio 96106

- White Sulphur Springs Ranch B&B (P.O. Box 136) (916) 836-2387

Sierra City 96125

- *Busch & Heringlake Country Inn (P.O. Box 68) (916) 862-1501

RV Parks

Portola: Sleepy Hollow RV Park, 3810 Grizzly Road (916) 832-5914

Blairsden:

Feather River RV Park, 71326 Hwy 70 (916) 836-2688
Little Bear RV Park, Little Bear Rd. (916) 836-2774

Graeagle: Movin' West Trailer Ranch, P.O. Box 20005 (916) 836-2614

Clio: Clio's River Edge Trailer Resort, 3754 Hwy 89, (916) 836-2375

Beckwourth: Beckwourth Travel Trailer Park, 81247 Hwy 70 (916) 832-0391