

—BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS—

JANUARY 18, 1998

MEMBERS PRESENT: Englert, Holmes, Morgan, Stiles, Borden, Graham, Monger, Wollesen. Absent: Neves.

Secretaries Position: Don Borden appointed as secretary of FRRS. **Publicity:** President Englert renewed our ad with Pentrex magazines... **Public Relations:** We will be placing ads in north state newspapers regarding museum activities. **Membership:** Discussion on membership renewal problems with Shasta Rail Group. **Gift Shop:** Gift shop has \$93,000 gross worth of stock at this time, if all sold with our 40% markup there would be a profit of \$56,000. **Facilities:** All water systems not in service have been drained. Roof leaks in shop still a problem. Five main projects for 1998 are: Entrance road, Building roof, Shower car, 3rd phase of electrical upgrade, and getting electricity into the battery house. **CMO:** Engine 563 in Turlock loaded on flatcar awaiting shipment. Vandals closed battery switches on engines 2873 and 2001, causing batteries on 2873 to be destroyed. Purchased two ALCo heads from Canada for \$350 each (C\$). **Beanery:** Waiting for proposal from Benji for operating beanery. **Aesthetic Committee:** Top of list is to install sidewalks between tracks 1 & 2 and tracks 3 & 4 over to shower car. **Correspondence:** Discussion on phone call received regarding using steam locomotive 737 for a movie. Will wait for proposal. Renewed museums membership in TRAINS. **Executive Report:** Received check for \$500 from Bank of America for grant, will be used for electrical upgrades. **Motion:** Motion to establish opening and closing dates for museum, motion passed. Motion to establish equipment and acquisition committee, motion passed. **Discussion:** Discussion on doing Dunsmuir Daylight this year. Operation Lifesaver: Joined California and Nevada OLS at a cost of \$250 each. **Backhoe:** Motion to spend up to \$4,500 to repair backhoe, motion passed.

FEBRUARY 28, 1998

MEMBERS PRESENT: Anderson, Englert, Holmes, Stiles, Borden, Graham, Wollesen, Morgan. Absent: Neves, Monger.

Financial Report: Total in all accounts \$264,471.72. **Publicity & Public Relations:** President Englert reported that no advertising will be going out until we have an advertising plan. Skip and Hank will present advertising plan at March meeting. **Membership:** Discussion with Bill Shippen regarding membership renewal problems. Bill and Norm will work together to resolve problems. **Facilities:** City of Portola, Plumas Corporation, and the FRRS working on getting study grant for entrance road and museum parking lot repair. Lengthy discussion on what's needed to do temporary repair to entrance road. Tom Graham reported there will be workdays on the two crew training weekends. **CMO:** Working on installing water pump on 2873. #608 will be used for the first part of 1998 season while #512 is down for repairs. Discussion on upkeep of rental locomotives. **Beanery:** Doug Morgan will write a contract for operating the Beanery. **Restoration:** Discussion on restoration of locomotives 805-A, 921-D, SN 146, and cab of 6776. **WPRRHS:** Check for \$300 sent to Best Western Inn in Stockton for deposit on convention. **Train Sheet & Mailing:** Approved contract with Shasta Rail Group for 1998. **RAL:** Motion that FRRS Locomotive Rental Program be titled "Operate a Locomotive Program". Motion passed. Motion that no payments be made to Operate a Locomotive engineers until state and IRS requirements are looked into. Motion passed. **Correspondence:** Received check from Pacific Limited Group for \$613.92 for close out of the group. Received FRA records on locomotive 1215 from Peter Lyman. **Dunsmuir Daylight:** Motion to sponsor a trip this year, motion passed. **#737:** Received offer of \$50,000 for locomotive 737. General consensus is that this offer is not acceptable. Motion was made that we are open to leasing locomotive for movie use, motion passed. **Army 80 tonner:** Offer by Dave Wrangle to purchase for \$10,000. Board consensus is \$10,000, as is, where is, with a good traction motor. **Motion:** Motion to establish an attendance record for all directors of the board, motion passed. Authorized Tom Graham to handle sale of museum backhoe. Also authorized Marty Anderson to work on disposition of one mule and two Army tanks. Approved sending 4 board members to symposium at CSRM in Sacramento. **Office Car:** Hank Stiles reported it will cost between \$1,200 and \$1,500 to install heating and cooling in office car. Complete copies of board meeting minutes are available to any interested member by sending a business size SASE with 78 cents postage to: Don Borden, 17250 Flowers Lane, Anderson, CA 96007. Board meetings are open to all interested members, contact any director for location and time.

—Don Borden FRRS Secretary