

in working on Ryskowski motorcar. Also reported that M. Parker write up on FRRS Telegraph service was picked up by local press.

### Department Reports

*Restoration* - Report given on cosmetic restoration plans for WP U30B 3051.

*Trackwork* - Thanks to the crew that is making great progress repairing the switch to tracks RIP 1 and 2.

*Fundraising* - Reported that thank you letters have gone out for merchant donations for Member Day.

*IT* - Thanks to Jay Knudsen for installation assistance on fax line.

### Committee Reports

*Model Railroad* - Bob Sims has been added to the committee.

### Closed Session

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 9:47 PM and reconvened to open session at 10:14 PM. Counsel Alan Turner reported the following out of closed session:

"The Board received a report and recommendation of the investigative committee involving alleged member misconduct. By concensus, the Board gave direction to the President to schedule a hearing on August 16 at 1:00 PM in order to allow the affected party to respond to the allegations. The Board requested counsel be present.

The Board also heard a report on an on-going legal issue, FRRS vs. Kasten/ITAC. No action taken."

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## August 2008 Board Meeting Motions and Actions Summary

### Approval of 2008 Budget

Vicknair / Parker - accept the budget as amended  
Aye - 7, nay - 0, abstain - 2

### Election of Officers

President Nomination  
Rod McClure - by Parker / Thurman  
No other nominations  
Aye - 7, nay - 0, abstain - 2

### Vice-President Nomination

Steve Habeck - by G. McClure / Habeck  
No other nominations  
Aye - 7, nay - 0, abstain - 2

### Secretary Nomination

Eugene Vicknair - by G. McClure / Thurman  
No other nominations  
Aye - 8, nay - 0, abstain - 1

### Treasurer Nomination

Mike Coen - by G. McClure / Vicknair  
No other nominations  
Aye - 9, nay - 0, abstain - 0

### Committee and Department Heads

No changes - as listed

### Motions Passed

1. Consent Motions - approved motion 08-08-01.

. Minutes - from the June - July 2008 BOD Meetings.  
. Financial Reports - Profit/Loss and Balance Sheet through end of July 2008.

2. Business Motions

### Motion 08-08-02

#### Meeting Start Times

Approve changing start time for remaining 6 PM meetings in 2008 to 4 PM.

Parker / Thurman. Aye - 6, Nay - 2, Abstain - 1.  
Motion carried.

### Actions and Notices

- 2008 TRAIN Convention Delegates - R. McClure and Thurman recommended that, due to budget, no delegates will be sent this year. G. McClure suggested that some of our friends in TRAIN and ARM can send us the materials from the conventions.
- Reviewed report provided concerning formal storage and equipment moving policies. G. McClure suggested that a committee be formed to flesh out the business proposal in coordination with legal counsel. Committee appointed - G. McClure is committee head, R. McClure, S. Habeck, M. Parker, M. Thurman.

### President's Report

- Life Member and long-time volunteer Eric Stephens has passed away. Pirate flag was lowered to half mast. A memorial will be held soon.
- PFE reefer 100468 arrived in one piece from CSRM. Arrived in Portola Yard July 14.
- Keys and locks are being changed under previously approved key and lock policy. All gate locks have been changed and all foreign locks removed.
- Hole filled by Dodgepole Siding.
- Ordered bucket of microbes for oil separator. Company custom blended the material for us.
- V&T has emailed and approved back rent payments.

- Repairs complete on "Silver Plate". Setting up with Sierra for move to Oakdale. UP will inspect for move in Oakdale. Estimated \$3800-4000 to move. In UMLER, have COTS and single car air test. E. Vicknair will go to Jamestown to do a final inventory.
- Ken Finnegan put together an interactive database on the web concerning locomotive mechanical status.

### Museum Manager Report

- Written report submitted.
- Did 59 RALs in July with 17 being walk-ins. 4 cited KOLO Channel 8 news item from July 16.
- Gift Shop gross receipts were \$23,761. RAL and Gift Shop income for May to July 2008 appears to be up about \$16,000 over same period 2007.
- Did \$1500 in sales at Anaheim National Train Show.
- Lots of positive feedback on look of the museum.

### Director's Reports

*Walker* - Acknowledged Mike Mucklin for work on Anaheim Train Show. Chris Allan also assisted. James Mason showed up on Saturday. Bob Sims handled layout. D. Epling worked sales on booth. Dave Piers and daughter Ally and member Mark Granados came up and worked in archives car.

*G. McClure* - noted that according to Manager report that we are getting visitors from KOLO news item.

### Department Reports

*Steam* - Have been working since Monday along with Nathan Osborne. Mr. Osborne has set up system for getting boiler thickness readings. C. Spikes has been working on cutting out superheater flues. No condition issues in belly of boiler barrel. Gave engine boiler wash. Dana and Chris cleaned tube sheets. Thickness mapping will continue. Once done, they will start Form 4. Then, we will begin fundraising for new tubes and flues.

*Train Sheet* - Issue in mail over 1 month with no delivery reports. Finally reports of delivery from members who had not received issues in a long time, likely due to bulk mailing. Next issue nearly ready for printer, but will be reconfigured as double issue. Discussed mailing and other issues with Train Sheet. Considering all future mailing as First Class.

*Advertising* - KOLO Staycations: KOLO did a lengthy, outstanding news piece on the museum. Co-anchors and weather reported commented on air about how great the museum and RAL sounded. Already, we have seen a big response. We sold several RALs, at least 4, directly from KOLO and have noted a lot of visitors coming up from Reno / Carson due to KOLO. Hot August Nights booth opens Tuesday. Model T delivered today. We have already had 1 RAL booked using Hot August Nights coupon. Farmer's Market: D.

Epling took N scale model of SP 2873 and set it up with power pack. Got people to run model and then told them they could run the real thing. Did raffle that got a lot of attention. Used large signs from National Train Show in Anaheim. Encountered people who saw us on KOLO. Talked to Nevada Make-A-Wish Foundation. They want us to do a booth at their next big event. Our visitor numbers now seem to be even or up slightly, while other museums are down. Gift Shop sales are up. *Track* - Track repairs are progressing faster than anticipated. Track to ramp is half complete. Lots of work going on. Phil Schmierer, Bill Parker, Cody Wilson, Seth Adams, Ken Finnegan, Paul Finnegan, Slim Liebey, George Souza, Rick Gruninger, R. McClure.

### Closed Session

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:03 PM and reconvened to open session at 8:10 PM. Director Vicknair reported the following out of closed session:

"The Board heard a report on an on-going legal issue, FRRS v. Kasten/ITAC. No action taken.

The Board heard a report on an on-going issue of member misconduct. No action taken."

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## September 2008 Board Meeting Motions and Actions Summary

### Motions Passed

1. Consent Motions - approved motions 08-09-01 / 02.

- Minutes - from the August 2008 BOD Meeting.
- Financial Reports - removed by motion.

2. Business Motions

#### Motion 08-09-03

Portola Railroad Days

As goodwill effort to maintain relationship with local community, we will pay \$250 to PRRD Committee with understanding that in future all agreements with committee will be in writing. From line item 54090 - Special Events Expenses.

G. McClure / Thurman. Aye - 6, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carried.

#### Motion 08-09-04

2008 Santa Trains

FRRS to do Santa Trains. We will solicit donations from community and we will charge a gate. Details to be