

in. Plans are being made for a full-out two week long session in Portola to get all of this done, more details as they become available.

Again thanks to all of you have been supporting this project, not only with your donations of time, material and funds, but also with your moral support and kind words of encouragement. That means more to us on the steam crew than you can imagine. See you soon, and have a great Spring season!

Our next work session will be Spring 2014, May 3rd - May 10th. I hope to have the Superheater flues on site by then, as well as many of the staybolts made up so we can start rolling in tubes. Dave Varley has the FRA Form 4 just about done, a huge undertaking to be sure, thanks to him for sticking with it.



Jeff Boone helps with the prep for priming.

- Dave Roth photo

WP 165 needs your help. Steam engines run on 4 things: fuel, water, rails and money. We've got 3 of those in abundance, but your help is needed for the last one. To donate to the 165, you can post mail a check to Steam Department - FRRS, P O Box 608, Portola, CA 96122. Or go on-line to the WP Store: [giftshop.wplives.org](http://giftshop.wplives.org). Click on Monetary Donations and select 165 Donation to support the return of steam to Portola.

## April 2013 Board Meeting Motions and Actions Summary

### Consent Calendar

#### Motion 13-04-01

Accept the minutes for the March 2013 Meeting. Vicknair / G. McClure. Aye - 8, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carries.

### Scrapping of Alaska Power Car

- Written report provided.
- Car is deteriorated. Any power on passenger cars will be undercar type.
- We will keep trucks and some parts.

#### Motion 13-04-02

Accept report and add the Alaska Power Car to scrap list. G. McClure / Vicknair. Aye - 8, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carries.

### Sale of SP SD9 4404

- Written report provided.
- Draft of contract provided to Board.
- Item 4 – Max storage will be 12 months.
- We will not load, we will spot cars.
- We will provide water and electrical for crew use, no welding gas, no forklifts.
- Remove FRA item about making roadable.
- Scrap site must be made clean and returned to usable condition.
- Once contracts are mutually accepted, \$40,000 is non-refundable.
- Services / access are weather and volunteer permitting.
- Remove interchange item.
- Cannot use Edenwold, Lounge Car or Shower Car.
- Item 13, Section B – termination
- Consensus approval given with changes and based on final review before vote at May meeting.
- Rick Gruninger to send exact insurance requests.

### Donations / Fundraising Campaign

- Written report provided.
- Concerns that there are other expenses and we need to address those in addition to work receiving donations.
- Consensus: Spring Fundraising Letter will be modified to include donation challenge and will focus on fencing.
- Discussion of what our priority should be in building facilities. Concerns about needing to complete Disney Zephyr Project.
- Consensus to table Capital Fund Campaign to May.

#### Motion 13-04-03

Accept the donations and direct Steve Habeck as signer

on stock fund to authorize sale of donated stock as soon as available and transfer funds to Museum account. Vicknair / Monger. Aye - 8, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carries.

- Thank you to Bob Sims and James Mason for their donations to this.

### **Facilities Improvements**

- Written report provided.
- Proposal to adopt facilities projects for work based on donations received. These projects will be the facility fencing and completing the walkway / loading area along the south side of the Diesel Shop.

#### Motion 13-04-04

Approve the fencing project and Train Loading Walkway extension based on the accepted donations and funds to be raised from the Spring Fundraising Letter. Vicknair / G. McClure. Aye - 7, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carries.

### **Battery Chargers**

- Written report provided.
- Proposed acquisition of new battery chargers for locomotive batteries.
- Consensus to table to July Meeting.

### **Special Recognition Life and Active Memberships**

- Written report provided.
- Approve two Life Memberships and one Active Membership for volunteers Matt and David Elems and Deanna Fecko.
- Concern that there are others who have spent more hours and deserve Life Memberships more than the Elems brothers.
- Nomination is based on the volume of labor and importance of the projects they have taken on. Last two years, they have been here 5-6 days a week through most of the year.
- Comments made that their work has been essential in getting us through financial crisis of the last two years.
- In 2012, each was worked over 1,600 hours.

#### Motion 13-04-06

Accept report as presented and grant Life Memberships to Matt and David Elems and a 1 year Active Membership to Deanna Fecko in recognition of their service to the organization. G. McClure / Spikes. Aye - 7, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carries.

### **Equipment Storage**

- Written report provided.
- Review proposed policy and procedure changes for

stored private equipment.

- Checks received from Wayne Monger and Vic Neves for equipment storage.
- Some of the insurance endorsements for private equipment storage gets sent to the museum. Copies need to get to Tom Carter.
- Discussion on how insurance endorsements are handled.
- Suggestion to accept report and offer monthly, quarterly and annual pay option.
- Consensus to accept the report and ask for rewording to cover monthly, quarterly or annual payments.

### **Archives Insurance**

- Quote provided for insurance for the Meeker collection.
- Review proposed insurance policy for Meeker archive materials.
- We are under contract to provide insurance for the complete collection.
- Finding insurance was not easy due to specialized nature of the collection.
- Quote is for \$250,000 in protection. Annual premium is \$2500 plus fees. Deductible is \$2500.
- All risk coverage: fire, water, vandalism, etc.

#### Motion 13-04-07

Accept insurance quote and enact insurance for the Meeker collection. Vicknair / Monger. Aye - 7, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carries.

### **President's Report**

- Written report provided.
- The process of reopening the Museum for the season has begun. RAL fleet up and running. Museum Store getting organized and cleaned along with the inventory.
- Dave McClain has been of great help by having the hydraulic rams for the backhoe and forklift rebuilt at no cost to us.
- Rick Grunniger has been cleaning up the shower car. Please note that the Silver Debris Lounge car is NOT to be used as a sleeping area for anyone. Rick handles the reservations for the sleeper.
- Ordered 3 barrels of EMD oil which we need for RAL engines.
- Many projects have been going on around the museum even with the rotten weather.
- Malley the cat has not been seen for over two months.

### **Financial Reports**

- Reports and financials provided
- Question about how much is in Centennial Fund Locomotive repainting line item. \$5,957.50.
- Fund for Milwaukee 5057 U25B is still on books. This

is to go to Cascade Rail Foundation.

- Updates on Financial amounts: Have about \$14,000 in the B of A account right now. Cash performance much better than last year. Next month we should be positive in cashflow with museum opening. We have some expenditures coming up related to WP 165 work. We need to purchase stock for the Museum Store.
- Bob Sims is donating \$20,000 in stock to kick-off Capital Funding Campaign with a goal of building a display building. Will require some action by Board to approve sale once stock is transferred. He is also donating \$5,000 for sidewalks, \$3,500 for steam fund and \$4,500 for fencing. For fencing, we have also received \$100 from Ron Huey and \$500 from Bruce Veilleux. James Mason is donating \$5,000 for sidewalks, \$3,000 for steam fund and \$5,000 for fencing.
- Overview of how to set up a Capital Funds Campaign. Ties in to New Business Item 3. Discussion about how to proceed and false statements that have been made about Society finances.
- Sales at Winterail were slow for store. Around \$1,500.

### Director's Reports

- *Habeck* – provided report on status of museum. WP Greenville Depot burned March 23rd. Winter caused damage around museum. Report on repairs to WP 484 caboose. Battery servicing in process. Working on radio upgrades in equipment. Due to injury, Steve Habeck has been instructed not to operate any equipment while on injured status.

### Event Reports

- *2013 Convention* – report on convention status. Written report provided. CSRM is rolling out red carpet for us. They are offering to open library for members on Sunday if there is enough interest.

### Committee Reports

- *2013 Elections* – report on status of elections. Everything is on track and on schedule. Printer is doing mailing now and should mail by April 15.

### Status of Surplus Property Report

- Update to O&NW 4 sale and movement.

### Safety Report

- Zero tolerance on sideswipes, switch run-thru, etc. Any incidents will be investigated.

### Notices

- Volunteer Day is coming up April 27.
- WP turntable at Virginia City still needs to be moved.

### Closed Session

Adjourned to closed at 6:27 PM, returned at 6:48 PM

The Board heard a report on a business item – Off-site event. The Board took the following actions:

#### Motion 13-04-08

Add item of urgency to support off-site event.  
Vicknair / G. McClure. Aye - 6, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0.  
Motion carries.

#### Motion 13-04-09

Motion to approve \$1000 expenditure from 67180 - Administrative Support – Legal Expense to support initial cost of off-site event.  
Vicknair / G. McClure. Aye - 6, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0.  
Motion carries.

## May 2013 Board Meeting Motions and Actions Summary

Consent Calendar tabled to June meeting.

### Correspondence

- Letter from County advising that during the course of digging to repair a water leak on the Hospital property, petroleum products were found in the ground. President McClure has left a message with the appropriate individuals requesting further details with no return call as of this date.

### Sale of SP SD9 4404

Board discussed changes to proposed contract. Contract was referred back to Director Vicknair for recommended changes by consensus direction. Contract to be returned to Board for final approval.

### Life Memberships

Discussion regarding recommendations from Board of Trustees to change the current life membership payment structure. Director Vicknair expressed concerns due to a lack of time to consider recommendations. James Mason expressed concern regarding cost to service life memberships. Item tabled until there has been time to look at this issue in more depth.

### Donation of Numberboards and Beet Gon to CSRM

The idea had been proposed that the Board consider donation of the original 913-A numberboards from the Kenneth J. Meeker / WP Corporate Archives collection currently owned by FRRS to CSRM for placement in the engine. Dr. Cheryl Meeker reportedly is in support of this as long as the numberboards are actually used on the locomotive and not placed in storage.

#### Motion 13-05-01

Motion: Transfer of Ownership of Two (2) Historical