

September – Open Friday-Monday 10 am-3 pm, closed Tuesday-Thursday except to RALs

October – Open Friday-Sunday 10 am-3 pm, closed Monday-Thursday except to RALs

November thru Mid-April – Closed

The “bridge” software allowing the Point of Sale system to “talk” directly with the webstore has been installed and is working. Portola Railroad Days and Labor Day both drew reasonable crowds. It rained like crazy on Labor Day, but we still had quite a few visitors come through the gates, rain gear and all!

We continue to update and upgrade merchandise carried in the gift shop. We will be reorganizing the layout of the gift shop later this month, and hope to have new signage and displays up for the spring opening. Thanks to David Elems for working the gift shop to give me a much needed break as well as covering a number of RALs. Special thanks to Charlie Spikes, Matt Elems and Matt Parker.

Committee Reports

none

Legal / Insurance Report

- As of first of the year, Tom Carter is requesting new copies of all insurance for private railcars. Habeck and Gail McClure will ensure that copies received at museum will be sent to Carter.

Status of Surplus Property Report

none

Safety Report

- Discussion that we need first aid kits and fire extinguishers renewed.

Public Comments

- *Elems* – Discussion about negative comments on scrapping. Suggestions made at how to address this.

Notices

- Board of Trustees meeting September 28. Ed Wagner would like any items presented to him by tomorrow.
- Combined TRAIN / ARM convention is in a few weeks in Riverside. First convention of combined organization.
- Cascade Rail Foundation is looking at

October 5-10 or 23-28, 2013 for coming to museum and work on Milwaukee U25B 5057.

- We will be doing Santa Train this year.
- Thank you to Gail McClure for her recognition of those who worked Portola Railroad Days and to Steve Habeck for his work on the UP 105.

Closed Session – requested by President McClure and Director Vicknair – 6:52 PM – 7:12 PM
- *Legal Item* – Worthen v. FRRS

The Board heard a report on a Legal Item – Worthen vs. FRRS. No action taken.

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WP 165 Superheater Flue Donors

–J. Chris Allan, Steam CMO

The following generous individuals have heroically donated the funds with which we have purchased a new set of Superheater flues for the Western Pacific 165:

- Bob Sims
- James Mason
- Steve Lee
- Henry Stiles
- Dave Anderson
- Roger Stabler
- Matt Shuman
- John and Lynne Haman
- The Manos Family
- Michael Andrews
- Derek Miller
- Richard Hunn
- Leigh Bradbury
- Fred Jansz
- Estate of Richard Stromme
- Greg Dodge
- Bruce Metcalf
- Grant Vogel

We certainly cannot thank them enough for their support of the 165 project; past, present, and future! Without such bighearted folks we would be at a standstill. These names will be placed on a plaque in perpetuity in the 165 cab in full view, a fitting tribute!