



PACIFIC COAST REGION OF THE NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, May 2, 2010

John Asquaga's Nugget Hotel, Sparks, NV
PCR Convention "Silver Rails"

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:47 AM by President Ron Plies.

A. QUORUM VERIFICATION.

Secretary Tom Crawford verified that a quorum was present. There were 101 signatures on the sign in sheet. 99 were members of PCR.

B. OFFICER'S COMMENTS.

- B.1. President Ron Plies recognized the convention committee and the job they did on the convention.
- B.2. Vice-President Pat LaTorres Mentioned that we are working on a Regions and Division Guidebook. Other comments regarding a certain incident were removed from the records.
- B.3. Treasurer Larry Altbaum was not available, but President Plies noted that we have a deficit due to a drop in interest rates and that we are working on a solution.
- B.4. Secretary Tom Crawford gave the highlights of the Board of Directors Meeting held on April 28, 2010. Those highlights are attached separately.

C. NMRA DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

- C.1. RAC Director Bob Ferguson noted that at the Milwaukee Convention on July 11-18, on Friday, July 16 at 9 AM will be the roll-out of the NMRA re-branding, where there will be a new emblem, etc.

The photo contest of UP Models has been extended to August 15, and the ride will be in October. See Scale Rails for details.

The 75th Anniversary Fund raiser is to raise money to scan the entire Kalmbach Photo collection and put it on a members only website.

D. MEMBER COMMENTS (comments regarding matters not on the agenda)

There were no member comments.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business.

F. NEW BUSINESS

- F.1. Re-elected Redwood Empire Director Carol Alexander, Coast Director Rod Smith, Sierra Director Mary Moore Campagna, and Daylight Director John Houlihan, having been re-elected were announced and formally took office.
- F.2. Carol Alexander explained that the next year's convention slide show will include layouts, so please submit layout pictures.
- F.3. The DVD put out this year was to be last years DVD, but due to a hard disk crash, it is a combination of this year and last year.
- F.4. Mary Moore Campagna presented a petition to incorporate a sub-division into the Sierra Division. This was actually just a vote of confidence since it is transparent in the Bylaws and Manual of Operations.

MOTION: It was moved by Director Moore-Campagna and seconded ...

THAT: The Sierra Division be allowed to create a subdivision.

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED on a voice vote.

G. CONVENTIONS

- G.1. **Comments regarding this convention:** Convention Chairman Ray Ritch thanked all for coming and acknowledged the convention committee.
He noted that we have 29 boys come through the Boy Scout Merit Badge program.
- G.2. Steve Skold said that the Sonoma Shortline will be May 13, 14, and 15, 2011, and will consist of the BOD meeting on Friday the 13th, normal convention activities on Saturday, May 14, and the Business Meeting on Sunday, May 15. the rate will be \$50 for rail and \$25 for Non-Rail. They will have shirts for \$25 which must be ordered before the convention. Awards and Door Prizes will be handed out at the Breakfast Meeting on Sunday.
- G.3. Dennis Stokely noted that the 2012 Convention will be a joint convention with PNR in Medford, OR. The 2013 convention will be in Coast Division. We are still looking for a chair. The 2014 convention will be in San Luis Obispo with dates and specific location to be determined.

H. Announcements

- H.1. The next business meeting will be on May 15, 2011 in Santa Rosa.
- H.2. Ben Sevier, the President of PSR noted that the PSR convention will be at the Handlery Hotel and Resort in San Diego from September 15 -19, 2010. The cost will be \$95, including the banquet (\$60 without the banquet) if you sign up today.

H.3. Sandy Webster noted the the PNR convention will be September 16-18, 2010 at the Embassy Suites Hotel, Lynnwood, WA (12 mi. north of downtown Seattle). (This is at the same time as the PSR convention.) The cost will be \$75 with Banquet.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Steve Wesolowski moved (and it was seconded) that we adjourn. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 AM.

More raffle prizes were then given out.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Crawford
PCR Secretary