

**PACIFIC COAST REGION OF NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**A California nonprofit Corporation**

**Minutes of Annual Business Meeting**

Sunday, April 23, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

A. QUORUM VERIFICATION AND CALL TO ORDER – The Secretary collected a sign-in sheet from around the room and verified the existence of a quorum of at least 35 members. Dr. MERRIN called the meeting to order.

B. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES – The minutes were approved by the membership.

C. OFFICERS' COMMENTS – Dr. Merrin and Ms. Alexander provided brief comments on ongoing projects. Mr. Osborn provided a summary of PCR's financial state. Mr. Palermo provided highlights of the Board of Directors Meeting on April 19, 2017

D. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS – Mr. Van Horn (Sierra Division) recognized Jim Collins for his contributions to the success of past Sierra meets.

E. MEMBER COMMENTS - None recorded.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None discussed.

G. NEW BUSINESS – Proposed changes to By-Laws. Dr. Merrin introduced the subject. GEORGE PISCHING of Fresno moved to adopt the changes to the Bylaws as published in Branch Line. STEVE WESLOWSKI seconded the motion. There was discussion on the motion. RAY DEBLIECK spoke in opposition to the motion. BILL SWINDELL spoke in opposition to the motion. DAVE CROSHERE spoke in favor of the motion. DAVE CONNERY spoke in opposition. GEORGE PISCHING spoke in favor. A vote was called and tallied. The vote did not meet the majority threshold required for changes to the By-Laws so the motion failed.

H. CONVENTIONS

1. Comments regarding the 2017 convention were given by Mr. Palermo and by Doug Wagner who had served as co-chairs.

2. 2018 PCR Convention – Remarks were given by Mr. Aymar.

3. 2019 and 2020 Conventions – Remarks were given by Mr. DeBlicke.

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS of the next business meeting were given.

J. ADJOURNMENT was moved and approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christopher J. Palermo