

**Feather River Rail Society  
Board of Directors and Membership Meeting – June 11, 2022 – 5:00 PM  
WPRM Meeting Room – Portola, CA**

President Greg Elems called the meeting to order at 17:04.

**Attendance**

**The following Directors were present:**

Kerry Cochran	Steve Habeck	Janet Steeper - phone
Greg Elems – phone	Charlie Spikes	Eugene Vicknair - phone
Bob Sims - phone	Matt Elems - phone	

8 directors present at meeting start – Quorum achieved.

**Visitors:**

Bart Hansen – Treasurer - phone  
David Elems – Asst. CMO  
Tom Hervey  
David Epling

**Correspondence**

*Habeck*

- Phone network service billing. Received letter about cancelling long distance from a company we don't have service from.
- Letter from Juliana Mark, former owner of J's Feather River Rentals. She is now manager of Lost Sierra Chamber of Commerce. Notice of Chamber of Commerce mixer.
- Roll up door company contract signed and sent last week. David Elems will contact them Monday to schedule work.
- We received \$1,000 check from company that did sound recording around the museum on May 17. Company is ESU.

**Consent Calendar**

- Minutes – Minutes of the April and May 2022 BOD Regular Meetings.

Motion 22-06-01

Approve the April and May 2022 BOD Minutes as presented.  
Cochran / Spikes. Aye – 7, Nay – 0, Abstain – 1. Motion carries.

**Old Business**

Follow up on advertising item from prior meeting: We did get ad materials in to Kalmbach for advertising in Trains and Classic Trains.

**New Business**

**1. Movement Costs for Donated Rolling Stock (Vicknair)**

Review proposed costs for moving donated rolling stock to museum.  
Discussion. Possible Action.

- Discussion about which quote to accept for passenger car move. The \$65,000 quote seems to be more motivated.

#### Motion 22-06-02

Approve quote by Gateway Transport Services for \$65,000 for movement of WP 302 passenger car from Hoosier Valley Railroad Museum, Indiana to Western Pacific Railroad Museum, Portola. G. Elems / M. Elems. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

- Eugene has been talking to Scott Franklin about help finding truckers.
- Hospital needs it moved by July 4 weekend.
- Only quote received is \$20,000 from Bragg Crane and trucking.

#### Motion 22-06-03

Approve Bragg Crane for \$20,000 for movement of WP insulated boxcar from Chester, California to Western Pacific Railroad Museum, Portola. Vicknair / Spikes. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

- Confirm loading and unloading with Bragg.
- No objection to fundraiser. Focus on coach 302. Consensus direction given.

### **Good of the Order**

#### **President's Report**

- President's Pin will be in Train Sheet.

#### **Financial Reports**

- *Written reports provided.*
- Bart Hansen thanked Eugene Vicknair for work on grants.
- Discussion about financial status.
- Discussion about painting equipment.

#### **Director's Reports**

- *Vicknair* – written report provided.

#### **Event Reports**

- 2022 Western Pacific Convention wa
  - Waiting for comments from draft report. Report needs to go into Train Sheet. Full report next meeting.

#### **Department Reports**

- *Webmaster* – written report provided.
- *Train Sheet* – written report provided.
- *Operations* – Planning July 2-4 steam ops.
  - Short on actual train crew. Have 2 signed up for caboos train. Need a couple more folks.
  - Word went out today and getting folks to respond.
  - Matt Elems is going to try and be available.
  - Got a brand new brakeman signed up today.
- *General Superintendent* – written report provided.
  - We got a new member and ops volunteer today.
  - Thank you to steam crew for their work on May 15 and on 165.
- *Archives / Historical* – written report provided.
  - Life Member Jim Atkins is now working with the Archives department.

- *Funding* – written report provided.
- *Museum Store* – written report provided.
  - Borden Decal order
- *Mechanical*
  - Slow going. No real updates but working through current plan.
  - Focusing on SP GP9 2873. Waiting on parts for water pump. Cannot progress until parts come in.
  - Needs to find older style class light lens.
  - Reviewing priority of WP GP7 707 and WP FP7 805-A for RAL due to capacity needs.
  - May look at trying to get WP S1 512 running. Needs truck / wheel work.
  - Army H-12-44 1857 needs engine and traction motor work. Odd things going on with it. Need to fix the oil-water intercooler.

### **Committee Reports**

none

### **Legal / Insurance Report**

none

### **Status of Surplus Property Report**

none

### **Safety Committee**

- Fire extinguishers done end of May. Building extinguishers done.
- Working on trying to get oil separator running correctly. Trying to get replacement materials for oil separator.
- Issue with wood ramp into Edenwold. Has some structural issues.

BREAK 6:44 PM – 6:50 PM

### **Membership Meeting**

1. Introduction of 2022 – 2023 Board of Directors
  - White ballot election review
  - Directors remain unchanged from 2021-2022
2. Review of 2021 – 2022 Season
  - RAL folks this morning complimented advertising we have been doing.
  - Question about white ballot from Tom Hervey. Official seating will occur in July.
3. Future Plans
  - Thank you to Kerry Cochran for all his work on the archives.
  - Editor of Rail Model Craftsman trying to contact Greg Elems.
  - No WP Celebration this year, going to retry for next year. Focusing on 165, Pumpkin Patch and Santa Trains.
4. Memorial of Rod McClure
  - Plans are to send a portion of Rod's ashes through WP 165 over July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend.
5. Public Comments – Note: public comments will be held to 3 minutes when recognized by the chair, unless granted extension by the Board

- David Epling volunteered for 2023 Convention.

## 6. Notices

- Looking for more volunteers.
- Suggestion to set up carpools and share costs.
- Suggestion to offer crew lunches again to help offset costs.

**Closed Session** – none requested

## **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at:19:07 (Spikes / Vicknair)

Next Meeting: July 9, 2022 – 4:30 PM  
Location: WPRM Meeting Room – Portola, CA

Respectfully Submitted  
Eugene Vicknair – FRRS Secretary

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