

**Feather River Rail Society  
Board of Directors Meeting  
December 1, 2001  
1:00 pm  
Portola City Hall  
Portola, California**

Vice-President Andy Anderson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The following directors were present:

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| Andy Anderson   | Pat Brimmer     | Frank Brehm | Kerry Cochran |
| Eugene Vicknair | Jan Brietwieser | Norm Holmes | Hank Stiles   |

Visitors Present:

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| Eric Stephens | Rod McClure | Gail McClure | Judy McGrath |
| Alan Turner   | Tom Graham  | Ed Wagner    |              |

**Consent Agenda**

1. Minutes – Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 3, 2001.
2. Finance Reports - Transaction report through November 20, 2001  
Profit & Loss
3. Convention Report
4. Revision of Motion #01-11-05

**Motion #01-12-01**

Made by Director Vicknair, seconded by Director Brehm to approve the consent agenda reports as presented. All directors present voted in favor.

**Old Business**

**Election Suggestions**

Director Vicknair reviewed his report that listed five items relating to the election process which he felt should be addressed. After reviewing the items, the Board determined that the items were addressed in the Nomination and Election Policy already in place and that no action needed to be taken.

The Board did agree that members of the Election Committee should not publicly indorse any candidate or legislation to the membership.

**Roadmaster Report**

Rod McClure presented his report regarding the roadmaster position and the state of the railroad. The Board thanked Mr. McClure for the report and complimented him on the report's content.

## **Truckee Liaison**

The Board discussed follow up items from this years Truckee event and expressed a need to have a “project coordinator” for next year’s event.

Director Brimmer suggested that the Board should ask any members who are interested in working on the project to respond to the Board.

After further discussion it was the consensus of the Board to advertise for the project coordinator on the Web site and set the deadline for responses as December 20, 2001. Director Vicknair noted that he would communicate with Sam Herschbine to get an announcement on the Web.

## **New Business**

### **100 Ton Roller Bearing Trucks**

Director Brehm reviewed his report regarding the proposed trade or purchase of 100 ton roller bearing trucks from the Dobbis site in Roseville. He explained that the trucks were available and why he felt the museum could use them.

After a brief discussion it was the consensus of the Board to direct Mr. Brehm to go ahead with is proposal.

### **Maintenance of Way Supervisor**

Vice President Anderson appointed Rod McClure as Maintenance of Way Supervisor.

### **Fairbanks Morris 1857**

Director Holmes asked the Board if they would like him to pursue acquisition of the equipment.

After a brief discussion it was the consensus of the Board to have Director Holmes pursue the acquisition and bring back specifics to the board when they were available.

### **Facilities Appraisal**

Vice President Anderson indicated the need to have the facilities inspected, appraised and brought up to code.

## **Good of the Order**

Director Brimmer reported that the Santa Train preparation were going well, he thanked Gail McClure for her help and suggested that the Board may want to consider moving the meeting to the Sunday of the Santa Train weekend next year.

Director Holmes reported that he may be able to schedule the CDF crew to work on the caboose.

Director Vicknair reported that the Zephyr dome is complete.

Director Brehm noted that the trainsheet deadline is the end of the month.

Director Brietwieser explained that Portola had not set a date for 2002 Railroad Days.

Vice President Anderson noted that the January meeting agenda would be quite long and requested the Board have a split meeting with am and pm sessions. He also noted that he had received a copy of the Magnolia Tower contract. And explained that the board vacancy would be advertised on the Web site with a deadline of December 20, 2001.

Attorney Alan Turner reviewed closed session with the Board and explained what type of items could be discussed in closed sessions. He also requested that future agendas have a section for a report for counsel. He then reported that the board would receive a report over the phone from the litigation attorney at the next meeting.

Director Brietwieser and Gail McClure each expressed the desire for the Board to consider proposal on setting up an organizational structure, strategic planning retreat and funding processes. They would each have items for the January agenda.

### **Closed Session**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 2:15 p.m.

1. Loyalton Branch
2. Museum Property

The meeting was reconvened to open session at 2:21.

The following action was reported:

It was the consensus of the Board to have the President communicate with UP regarding the Loyalton Branch. And the Board received legal advise about the status and legal effects of the existing lease.

### **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

Next Meeting: January 5, 2001

Portola

Respectively Submitted  
Leslie Tigan