



Report From the Board of Directors

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Secretary of the Board

Board of Director's Meeting February 13, 1993

On the publicity report, Hank Stiles stated that he is working on a telephone book ad which will be published in July. An article on the Rent-A-LoCo program ran in the "Farmer's Exchange" Magazine of Farmer's Insurance Co., and it has already produced heavy response. There has been contact with the producers of CBS Evening News for filming sometime in April or May. There was discussion if there is a need to redesign our one-page rack advertising card before reordering. Out of 100,000 ordered in 1991, only 10,000 are left. Bruce Cooper reported that the Rent-A-LoCo flyer has been redesigned to fit into a smaller rack in hobby stores, etc., and to contain more information about the museum.

On the Gift Shop report, Norm Holmes reported that we have sold well over 100 of the "WP First 50 Years" video tape. There was a reminder that after the first 1,000 tapes are sold through all dealers, that the FRRS will begin getting a percentage of the profits of any further sales. There have been many good reviews in railfan magazines on this tape. The staffing by various members of FRRS booths at several railroad shows was discussed.

Regarding steam acquisition, the board authorized obtaining an attorney for consultation with on drawing up a contract regarding the possible acquisition of the SP 2252 by the FRRS. The board also discussed the communications with the Nevada State Railroad Museum regarding the details of possible FRRS acquisition of the 3-truck Shay YVSP 4 at Heber City.

Regarding grants, Kent Stephens has identified 7 foundations that could be contacted about funding various special projects.

On the facilities report, Gordon Wollesen reported that heavy snow problems were causing many water leaks inside the engine house, as well as causing broken windows. He is working on ideas to protect the upper north windows next year; and he is looking at various compounds to repair the roof this summer. Norm Holmes stated that because of the heavy snow and the museum being in an emergency disaster area, he had contacted the state officials in charge of disaster relief loans and was being sent information.

The details of 1993 Pacific Limited Excursion were discussed.

Next was a letter from the insurance company raising concern about safety in the shop area. They suggested and recommended a chain-link fence around the shop area inside the engine house. There was discussion of this by the board members.

There was a report of a meeting with area Chamber of Commerce members. The idea was to go ahead with painting "railroad tracks" on the streets through town from Highway 70 to the museum entrance. Caltrans had agreed to this, but some work needs to be done first.

The organizational chart was discussed and approved.

Board of Director's Meeting March 14, 1993

On the publicity report, Hank Stiles showed a pre-pro-

duction copy of our Yellow Pages ad to be placed in several area phone books.

Bruce Cooper reported that the CBS Evening News crew will be filming in late May when there are actual locomotive rentals going on.

The First Annual FRRS golf tournament was discussed.

Regarding steam acquisition, it was reported that there is increasing opposition to the FRRS' proposed purchase and move of SP 2252 which is currently at the Placer County Fairgrounds. Dave Anderson will continue negotiations and research. Further discussion followed on the 3-truck Shay YVSP 4 at Heber City.

On restoration, the board discussed hiring restoration work to be done on engine 2001 followed by engine 805A which needs to be done by July 4, 1994 to participate in the FRRS' 10th Anniversary "Circling of the Wagons."

On the publications report, it was reported that Kent Stephens had talked to Joe Strapac about proposed updating and reprinting of "Western Pacific Diesel Years" and the problems of doing such a big project. Joe has offered to come up with cost estimates and a concrete proposal to be presented to the board before February 1994.

The details of 1993 Pacific Limited Excursion again were discussed.

It was announced that the 1993 National Railway Preservation Symposium had been rescheduled to June 4, 5 and 6, 1993.

The FRRS has received an invitation to again participate in the "Mini-Railfair" at CSRM on June 18, 19, and 20, 1993 by sending a locomotive. Discussion followed regarding which of our locomotives we should send.

The 1991 Rulebook was amended and approved by the board.

Numerous and various equipment acquisitions were discussed.

The board noted that contributions in the name of Ann Brown have been received. The family had suggested that this memorial money received by the FRRS should be set aside for a specific item or project. The board discussed and approved that it should be used for the construction of a concrete sidewalk, 48 inches as per ADA requirements, which will allow access for handicapped visitors to view parked locomotives on the west end of the engine house along tracks 1, 2 and 3. Also a brass marker will be commissioned noting this is in memorial to Bob and Ann Brown.

The board discussed the need to clean up our facility before the 1993 season and especially for July 1994. They discussed the possibility of using groups of teen age kids involved in summer employment camps for a few days of facility clean-up. Kent Stephens mentioned the need to clean up the dock area for picnic tables and to construct a guard rail around its perimeter to prevent falls. He also mentioned the need to replace the stairs on the south side of the dock for public access.

Hank Stiles proposed to place advertisements in local newspapers inviting local residents to become volunteers at the museum. This will be brought up at a later meeting.