action was taken. With respect to legal issues, the Board received a report regarding ongoing legal matters. Consensus direction was given, no reportable action was taken.

## December 2004 Motions:

Motion 04-12-02.. Minutes – Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held November 13, 2004. Financial Reports removed from consent calendar for later report by Treasurer.

Motion 04-12-03.. Policies Procedures, Approval of Election Policy and Confidentiality Policies. Motion made by Director Brehm, seconded by Director McClure. All Directors present voted in favor – Motion carried.

Motion 04-12-04.. WPRRHS 2005 Convention Excursion, Postpone ACE/SJRRC Excursion trip until 2006. Motion made by Director Cochran, seconded by Director Brehm. All Directors present voted in favor – Motion carried.

Motion 04-12-05.. PRM Model Railroad, Approval of report of Model Railroad Committee covering plan to build FRCanyon HO layout. Motion made by Director Vicknair, seconded by Director Brehm. All Directors present voted in favor – Motion carried.

Motion 04-12-05.. WPRRHS 2005 Convention Excursion, Postpone ACE/SJRRC Excursion trip until 2006. Motion made by Director Cochran, seconded by Director Brehm. All Directors present voted in favor – Motion carried.

Motion 04-12-06.. Item of Urgency, Addition of Item of Urgency arising after publication of the formal agenda having to do with purchase of Silver Lodge. Motion made by Director McClure, seconded by Director Vicknair. All Directors present voted in favor – Motion carried.

Motion 04-12-07.. Silver Lodge purchase, Agreement to self-fund purchase of Silver Lodge utilizing currently available funds, with the exception of \$5,000 to be held in reserve, from the Zephyr Project account and balance to be funded from restricted accounts and with a repayment agreement to all accounts at current market interest rates. Motion made by Director Cochran, seconded by Director Vicknair. All Directors present voted in favor except Director Stiles who voted against – Motion carried.

#### PRESERVING "THE FEATHER RIVER ROUTE"

### WP Lives, in Portola!

#### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Feather River Rail Society is to preserve the history of the Western Pacific Railroad. The secondary mission is to preserve the history of the subsidiary and interchange railroads within the territories it served.

#### **Mission Goals**

To preserve and interpret the history of the WP, the "Willing People" as a vital link in the development of the rail industry on the West Coast, including the steam and diesel evolution, WP's influence in the passenger tourism industry, the impact of freight competition between neighboring railroads. WP's influence in the lumber, mining and agriculture industry from Plumas County throughout California, Nevada and Utah

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#### **Actions and Notices:**

Tidewater Southern bunk car 0565-H is now in Portola. Thanks to Rod McClure, Steve Habeck, Hank Stiles and Doug Morgan for the assistance in moving and unloading it.

The signed copy of "The Silver Lady" book we have had in reserve as a fundraiser will be a drawing item as part of our 2005 Fundraiser. Also, Director Holmes graciously offered a second edition copy of Guy Dunscomb's "Western Pacific Steam Locomotives" as a fundraiser prize.

Director Brehm reported he has received all of the text from Jeff Asay for the publication of the new edition of his WP timetable book. Goal is to have the book published in time for the April WPRRHS Convention.

President McClure also took the opportunity to offer congratulations and special acknowledgement to the Historical Branch of the FRRS for publication of the third issue of The Headlight for meeting their promised goal.

Director Gail McClure reported that Will Wood has again supported the Society with a donation through the Vanguard Charitable Trust in the amount of \$1,000. Funds will be first donation applied to purchase of Silver Lodge and was joined by \$500 from Wayne Monger.

Magnolia Tower is safe and sound in the old Oakland coach yard. Once the high-wide issue has been resolved, the tower will be moved up to Portola.

February Board Meeting will be held in Roseville at the Oxford Suites.

## **Closed Session:**

President McClure advised that the Board had received a report regarding ongoing legal issues. No reportable action was taken. The Board also heard information regarding several business issues of a proprietary nature. No reportable action was taken.

respectfully submitted by Eugene Vicknair, secretary

# **Upcoming Events**

February.. Grounds Clean-up

- 5 Board Meeting 1 PM Roseville, CA Oxford Suites
- March. Museum Opening Hours: 10 AM 5 PM
- 1 Election Withdrawal Deadline
- 5 Museum Open to Public, Board Meeting 1 PM Portola
- 12 Winterail Stockton
- 19-20 Facilities/Track Work Weekend
- 26-27 Zephyr Project Work Weekend
- April.. Prepare for Operating Season Hours: 10 AM 5 PM
- 2 Board Meeting 1 PM Portola
- 2-3 Locomotive Maintenance Clinic, Facilities Work Weekend
- 15-16 WPRRHS Convention Tracy, CA Tracy Holiday Inn
- 20 Election Ballots mailed to membership
- 24-May 2 Facilities/Track Work Week
- 30-May 1 Crew Training/Rules Exam