• Dunsmuir RR Days currently the only offcampus event scheduled in 2007.

• Donation requests have been made to the UP for equipment and other items.

· Silver Plate / IR Boxcab trade progressing.

Still working on billboard advertising on US
 395 out of Reno.

 $\cdot\,$  Work to start on prepping CCT 24 for movement to WPRM.

• Semaphore donated by Doug Peterson will be taken down and ready for pickup shortly.

## **Director's Reports**

• Director Stiles reported that a volunteer crew had begun work on RAL locomotives the weekend prior to this meeting.

• Director Monger advised that May 2007 is the State of California's 8th Annual Museum Month. Will work with Museum Manager John Walker regarding membership in the California Association of Museums.

## **Department Reports**

 IT Services - Bruce Veilleux advised server racking has been installed in server room. He will work with Director Vicknair and member Eric Stephens regarding power and telephone service. He continues to work on additional webcam planning as well as the virtual library. He will try to get input from CSRM and their site designers as they have an excellent example of what we are looking to achieve with the project.
 Funding - Director McClure reported Winter Fundraiser has resulted in donations just over \$14,000 and more continue to trickle in.

• **MOW** - President McClure stated that he will need to purchase switch ties (expensive) and an air spiker. First track work weekend of the year is scheduled for March 24-25, weather permitting.

## **Committee Reports**

• **Election** - Deadline for withdrawal has now passed and there are still five candidates for three seats.

## **Safety Report**

• Director Cochran reminded everyone with the start of the season just around the corner, that we all must be diligent about potential liability issues anywhere on property.

## **Closed Session**

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 2:47

p.m. and reconvened to open session at 2:54 p.m. Director McClure reported the following out of closed session:

"The Board received a report regarding the ongoing legal issue, FRRS v. Kasten, ITAC. No action was taken. Information was also given regarding an ongoing personnel issue regarding Department Head Job Performance. Consensus Direction was given, no action was taken."

# April 2007 Board Meeting Motions and Actions Summary

#### **Motions Passed**

1. Consent Motions - approved motion 07-04-01.

. Minutes - Approval of the minutes from the February 2007 and March 2007 General Meetings.

. Financial Reports - Approval of the financial reports throughMarch 2007.

2. Motions

#### Motion 07-04-02

**FRRS Minute Format** 

Director McClure read an e-mail to the Board from Corporate Counsel regarding his recommendation of an Action Minutes format. Members of the Board spent time discussing the information presented as well as considering member concerns that have been expressed during the eight months the test format has been utilized.

Motion: Acceptance of a modified action minutes format that includes consensus direction. Aye - 7, Nay - 1, Abstain - 0. Motion carried.

This change will go into permanent effect with the May 2007 Minutes.

#### Motion 07-04-03

#### MILW 5057 Sale

President McClure advised he had met with Steve Sandburg with the Milwaukee Road 261 Group at the museum, however, had no contact since.

Motion: Item Tabled until May Meeting. Aye - 8, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carried.

# Motion 07-04-04, 05

Sale of SP 4404

President McClure reported he had communicated by e-mail with Pat Rowe / Western Rail, Inc. regarding their proposed purchase of SP 4404 and presented the Board with a proposed contract. Members of the Board expressed concern over same and provided direction to the President regarding inspections and clarifications of expectations. Motion: Agreement to sell locomotive to Western Rail pending approval of contract by legal. Aye - 0, Nay - 8, Abstain - 0. Motion failed. Motion: Agreement to place SP4404 on the open market for sale. Aye - 2, Nay - 6, Abstain - 0. Motion failed.

At this time, consensus direction to continue with discussion with Western Rail, Inc. regarding possible sale of the locomotive was provided to President McClure.

## Motion 07-04-06

## Item of Urgency

Addition of Item of Urgency, specifically discussion and/or action on the proposed Volunteer Database. Aye - 8, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carried.

## Motion 07-04-07

#### Volunteer Database

Acceptance of the provided report's second recommendation, specifically, authorization of the volunteer hour accounting database project with a budget of \$5,000 and implementation at a later date based on cash flow with funding from budgetary line item 67600 - IT Expenses. Aye - 8, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carried.

# **Actions and Notices**

 Silver Plate Loan - President McClure presented a letter from CSRM regarding the process and current status within same regarding the proposed loan of the Silver Plate. The Board provided consensus direction to pursue the issue.

• Ione Railfair - President McClure advised that he had been in contact with the principals of the Ione Railfair event and their expectations/ requests regarding operations. The Board provided consensus direction to continue with participation and sending the Model-T for demonstration operations only and the specific directive that there were to be no passengers

given rides with the exception of the gentleman helping to bring the vehicle back to operation. This individual is also to be given a one-year active membership in appreciation of his work. · Rail Camp - NRHS expressed an interest in entertaining the possibility that WPRM become a site for their Rail Camp program. As Tom Carter and David Epling were the lead people on the inquiries, the Board provided consensus direction to speak with them further and return to a future meeting with a plan and budget. · Model Railroad - Members David Epling and Tom Carter provided a written report to the Board prior to the meeting regarding their proposal for a modular N-scale layout that could be used on property as well as off-campus. Upon review of the report, the Board provided consensus direction to bring back a project budget and implementation timeline for further consideration.

## **President's Report**

• Advised of letter from Vic Neves to WPRM and PLA/NCRy regarding potential trade.

• CCT 24 Caboose moving toward WPRM as early as first week of April.

- · Possible acquisition of CCT 1790.
- · WPRRHS Convention in Livermore April 13-14.
- $\cdot\,$  Boxcar brought home from GGRM unloading complete.

• Eighteen full sized track pans, three pallets of interlocking firebrick for WP 165, and a number of industrial florescent lighting fixtures have been donated to WPRM.

• UPRR donating two operational crossing gate systems (will cover one crossing).

 $\cdot\,$  Doyle McCormick has offered a long term loan of the Magnolia Grove to the WPRM.

# **Director's Reports**

• **Brehm** - The FRRS has been the recipient of a large collection of HO scale model railroad equipment from a contact made at Winterail.

• **Monger** - The FRRS is now a member of CAM (California Association of Museums). CAM encourages members to hold "Meet & Greets" with local politicians during the month of May and recommended that we try to pull together an event.

• **Holmes** - Son has a dishwasher style parts washer available for \$3,000 if the organization is interested. Suggested that completion of the "Vista Boxcar" or park bench installation in the Sunburst Rose could address passenger seating concerns. Reported the possible donation of angle iron and flat-stock if the organization is interested. Suggested someone be in contact with the city or county regarding the poor condition of street signs to the museum. Advised Art Lloyd interested in the 2009 Centennial Celebration. Created and posted a sign regarding party caboose rental.

• **McClure** - Advised the Board that Corporate Counsel Alan Turner has taken a new employment opportunity, but remains available to the Society in a limited capacity.

• **Cochran** - Reminded all that crew training is scheduled for May 5-6, 2007.

## **Department Reports**

• **MOW** - President McClure provided a track work weekend review and update regarding repairs.

#### **Committee Reports**

 Election - Committee Chair David Epling advised all printed materials have been addressed and ballots will go out on time.
 2009 Centennial - Committee Chair Director Vicknair advised that the Committee will begin looking at possible event dates to request that private equipment owners include the events on their calendars.

## **Public Comments**

• Director McClure advised that she would like to see anyone who is currently using the BBS to encourage others to use it as well and boost the number of active participants.

#### **Museum Manager's Report**

Doors open for business, business is still slow.
Facility survived the winter well and there were only about 10 broken windows in the Diesel Shop.

• CCC (California Conservation Corps) will be staying at the facility (sleeper and shower car use) this week to perform work in the local area. In exchange, they will provide three people each day to complete tasks around the museum.

• Feedback from the community is positive and Community Relations seem to be at a high.

• The local Portola RR Days Committee has accomplished a great deal of work and planning already. Anticipation is high for a huge event. Committee is seeking permission to have motorized rock climbers on our property. The Board advised only if the city or the event were to provide liability coverage with the FRRS as a named insured.

#### Correspondence

• Andy Anderson spoke to the Board regarding the Society's participation in his Fire Chief's retirement dinner and expressed that there were not words to explain what it meant to him. He personally thanked the Board for making it happen.

• President McClure also relayed to the Board a letter addressed to Director Vicknair from a gentleman by the name of Hunter Stark, who expressed a great love of the CZ and interest in the continued success of The Zephyr Project.

#### **Closed Session**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 4:25 p.m. and reconvened in open session at 5:46 p.m. Director McClure reported the following out of closed session:

"The Board received a report regarding an ongoing legal issue, FRRS v. Kasten, ITAC. No action was taken. The Board was also advised of the pending resignation of an officer of the corporation. No reportable action was taken. Lastly, the Board heard reports and discussed a Department Head's job performance and a personnel change was made. Additional direction was given to the President in this regard."

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# **GIFT MEMBERSHIPS**

Half price, non-Life Gift Memberships will be available until the end of 2007. Anyone who wants to give the gift of FRRS membership can download the membership application on the WPLives.org website or send a letter to the museum address as listed on the next page. Please be sure to include all the information on the person receiving the gift membership as well as your information, so that we can acknowledge your gift. Associate, Active, Family and Sustaining levels are eligible under this program.