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November Meeting.

## **Committee Reports**

Model Railroad - 2011 National Train Show will be in Sacramento. Would like presence at show and asks that we start planning for it. Asked that we start working on HO layout for 2011 show.

#### **Closed Session**

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:47 PM and reconvened to open session at 10:50 PM. Director Vicknair reported the following out of closed session:

"The Board heard a report on an on-going legal issue, FRRS v. Kasten/ITAC. No action taken.

The Board considered a business issue concerning the position of Museum Manager. A report was presented by employment committee regarding the position of Museum Manager. Motion to accept contract, job description, position duties, as reported, was made by Director Thurman, seconded by Director Vicknair and accepted by unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Motion 08-10-09

Museum Manager Contract

Accept contract, job description, position duties for Museum Manager.

Thurman / Vicknair. Aye - 8, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carries.

Motion was made to extend position as described and accepted by Board to current Manager, David Epling, to run through February 14, 2009 with option to extend beyond that time. Motion made by Director G. McClure, seconded Director Vicknair. Was accepted by unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Motion 08-10-10

Current Museum Manager

Extend position as described and accepted by Board to current Manager, David Epling, to run through Feb. 14, 2009 with option to extend beyond that time.

G. McClure / Vicknair. Aye - 8, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0.

Motion carries.

President provided Board with documents concerning a liability issue. A motion was forwarded regarding Board's decision to follow legal counsel advice as provided. Motion failed and was referred by consensus direction back to legal counsel for further advice."

Director Parker made the following statement for the record: "He is very troubled by the action of this Board that resulted in not following legal counsel's advice with regard to the personnel issue."

# November 2008 Board Meeting Motions and Actions Summary

#### **Director Resignation**

John Walker has resigned as a director due to other time commitments.

Next highest vote getter in 2008 election, Frank Brehm, declined due to personal commitments.

Next highest vote getter is Charlie Spikes. He accepts

position and Board gave consensus approval.

#### **Motions Passed**

- 1. Consent Motions approved motion 08-11-02.
- . Minutes from the October 2008 BOD Meeting.
- . Financial Reports Profit/Loss and Balance Sheet through end of October 2008.
- 2. Business Motions

#### Motion 08-11-01

2009 Event Calendar

Approve the amended version of the calendar. Vicknair / G. McClure. Aye - 7, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carried.

#### Motion 08-11-03

2009 Commemorative Models

Accept report as submitted for ordering 250 each of custom cars in HO and N scale with concept 1 graphics. G. McClure / Habeck. Aye - 7, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carried.

## Motion 08-11-04

Headlight Editor

Accept the proposal by Mike Mucklin to become Headlight production manager and include the higher cost into 2009 budget.

Vicknair / G. McClure. Aye - 6, Nay - 0, Abstain - 1. Motion carried.

# Motion 08-11-05

Gift Shop Improvements

Accept Gift Shop Improvement report with work to be done in following priority: 1 - POS / On-Line, 2 - Insulate gift shop ceiling, 3 - Low cost reorganization, 4 - New Window into Diesel Shop, 5 - Soda Fountain and related, 6- Gift Cards. To be done on a funds available basis from line items as outlined in report. Vicknair / Monger. Aye - 6, Nay - 0, Abstain - 1. Motion carried.

## Motion 08-11-06

Join Society for Industrial Archaeology

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Accept the proposal and join the Society for Industrial Archaeology, \$50 annual dues to come from line item 67090 - Dues and Subscriptions.

G. McClure / Vicknair. Aye - 7, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carried.

## Motion 08-11-07

**Train Sheet Costs** 

Accept report and proceed with recommendation to make AgPress printer and mailer for The Train Sheet. G. McClure / Habeck. Aye - 7, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carried.

#### Motion 08-11-08

Approval of 2009 Budget

Table until December 2008 Meeting. Vicknair / G. McClure. Aye - 7, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0. Motion carried.

## **President Report**

- · Silver Plate Ownership documents have arrived from CSRM. Steve Habeck has been getting the lights working in the Plate. Bruce Veilleux, Cody Wilson, Rod McClure and Steve Habeck placed chairs and did general reorganization. Blowers in kitchen work. Tom Carter has new lettering made to specs from Eugene Vicknair. Silver Plate will be used for Santa Train.
- · Santa Train David Epling and Matt Parker will be canvassing for donations from local businesses. Steve Habeck is working on set-up and decoration. We will need a crew to help. We will have a light plant again. Locals are working on cookies.

#### **Museum Manager Report**

- · Visitor logs show major draw is California. We did see an increase from Northern Nevada and of the 120 October entries, 98 of them are first time visitors citing Family, friends, Internet and publications as the way they heard about us. We did 22 RALs, 4 being walk-ins.
- · Many volunteers stepped up in the month of October: Thanks to Stephanie Parker, Craig Simmons, Bart Hansen, Charlie Spikes, Bill Parker, Bob Sims, Duane Vanderveen, Dave Ferreira, Bruce Veilleux, Slim Lieby, Rick Gruninger, Wayne Monger & Ed Powell.
- $\cdot$  Ed Powell completed installation of the heating unit in the Silver Debris.
- · Bill Parker, Bruce Veilleux, Wayne Monger, Slim Lieby, Dave Ferreira, Rick Gruninger completed the Ramp Switch construction/repair and have laid most of the rail and ties to complete the RIP Track repair and installation of the new West Rip 2 Switch.
- Duane Vanderveen completed side windows on WP 614 Caboose and spent 3 days installing new security lights at the SW and SE corners of the Diesel Shop.
- · Charlie Spikes has been around the facility with

numerous projects best termed as "Honey-do's".

- · Bob Sims came up and spent a week. Among his projects were completion of various items in the Silver Debris, completing the safety railing on the west end of the volunteer deck and repairing the open window on the CCT 24 Caboose.
- · Bart Hansen and Craig Simmons have stepped up as our utility infielders, both have answered last minute calls for help. In Craig's case, he has been there for the walk-in RALs. In Bart's case, he's been an extra pair of hands for just about any project at the museum. Most notably he was instrumental in inventorying the Beavers Estate Model collection.
- · Stephanie Parker and Bruce Veilleux have covered the gift shop to allow Manager to have days off.
- · We will be doing the Great Train Expo show in Sacramento CA Jan 11-12, 2009 at Cal Expo.

## **Director's Reports**

*Monger* - Thanks to David Epling for help with feeding track crew last weekend. Talking to Epling about catalog Epling is doing on Frank Beaver's collection.

## **Department Reports**

Operations - All locos except 1100 (with anti-freeze) are drained. All passenger cars are back inside gate and off West Pass. Work has started for Santa Train.

Train Sheet - Report on status of next 3 issues and review of issues with printer and mailing house.

MOW - Last weekend, track crew working on RIP 1.

Ramp track switch is back together. Rail laid to new RIP 2 switch, laid out ties for track extension. Nov. 15-16 more track work. Goal to complete project by Spring.

Gail McClure gave special thanks to Wayne Monger for organizing and running track crews, particularly on the RIP 1-2 project.

#### **Committee Reports**

Website - Web site being redesigned for Jan. 1 roll-out.

#### **Closed Session**

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 4:23 PM and reconvened to open session at 4:32 PM. Director Vicknair reported the following out of closed session:

"The Board heard a report on an on-going legal issue, FRRS v. Kasten/ITAC. No action taken."

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# **Special Notices**

Director Merrill Thurman passed away unexpectedly. A moment of silence was held in his memory.