

# FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

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ITEM: Committee Reports  
Joint Funding – Volunteer Committee Report  
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## **JOINT MEETING OF THE VOLUNTEER and FUNDING COMMITTEES**

On Saturday, May 31, the Funding Committee (Eugene Vicknair, Patty Clawson and Michael Coen) and the Volunteer Coordination Committee (Michael Coen and Janet Steeper) held a joint planning meeting at the home of Mary Ann Vicknair.

At the Strategic Planning Meeting earlier this year, two major goals outlined were to increase fundraising and increase / improve our volunteer roster and management. Michael Coen and Janet Steeper volunteered to help with these goals.

Several items were reviewed during a 3 plus hour meeting. The following targets have been identified and are being worked on:

### Funding

- Begin the long planned Corporate Fundraising Program
- Work on cultivating high value donors
- Look for more group visits / events such as special interest groups, weddings and similar

### Volunteer

- Seek new volunteers and new volunteer pools
- Improve outreach and management of volunteers
- Set up clear lines of communication

Michael and Janet will also be reaching out to Ethan Doty's mother, who has offered to assist in the volunteer area. We also identified several other persons who may be able to assist with areas such as event planning and coordination, funding and volunteers.

As for volunteer opportunities, beyond our current departments, there has been interest in cultivating more dedicated docents, having one or two event planners, recruiting a painting crew and forming a dedicated trackwork / grounds improvement crew.

If you have any thoughts or offers in these areas, please reach out to the committee members, President Greg Elems and / or one of the department heads.