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Minutes of Past Meetings

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one full week or more of availability. It will be Policy Procedure, if applicable, that each R.A.L. handoff will be a \$10 deduction from the total \$200 assigned to a specific person. Moved by Director Stiles, second by Director Neves. Passed.

- 4. Bay Area Electric Railroad Assn. MOTION 42/5-2000. States that Director Monger and Director Morgan be appointed liaisons to negotiate with the B.A.E.R. Assn. Moved by Director Vicknair, second by Director Neves. Passed.
- 5. Beanery Restaurant. Director Stiles reported that it does not appear that the "Beanery" will be able to open by the beginning of the season
- 6. Lease of the Tamper Machine. The Board accepted the proposal for the Rocky Mountain Railway and Mining Museum to lease the F. R.R.S./P.R.M. Railway Machine Company's tamper machine as detailed in MOTION 43/5-2000. (Motion on file at museum). Moved by Director Morgan, second by Director Vicknair.

MOTION 44/5-2000. The Board approved the appointment of Director Morgan as the event coordinator for the Illinois Railroad Museum, for the potential display of museum rolling stock at the 50'h anniversary celebration in 2003. Also appointed Dir. Morgan as event coordinator between FRRS & Truckee-Donner Railroad Society for the 2000 Truckee Railroad Day celebration.

MOTION 45/5-2000. The Board appointed Director Morgan as negotiator with the California Railroad Museum and Pacific Locomotive Assn.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- 1. Portola City Manager Jim Murphy sent information advising that Americorp Workers are being utilized by the City of Portola and during that time one week of their efforts will be dedicated to the museum.
- 2. It was announced that the location of the Annual Membership Meeting will be in Portola on May 21.
- 3. June Board meeting Portola Railroad Museum, June 10, 1 p.m.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

June 10, 2000

The meeting of the FRRS Board of Directors was called to order at 1803 hours at the Portola Library. Directors present: Anderson, Monger, Brehm, Stiles, Morgan, Wagner. Absent: Vicknair, Neves and Englert. Guests present: Linda Monger, Jim Murphy, Don Nelson & Jim Gidley.

Minutes were approved as mailed. Financial Report was given to each Director present. Others will be mailed as will an advertising proposal from Feather Publishing.

<u>UPDATES</u>

- 1. Carnp Car. Our offer has been accepted (\$2000). Car is appraised at \$15,000 and will be moved at the Museum's convenience.
- 2. Painting of Rolling Stock. Director Stiles reported that as of this date he had made no progress in obtaining bids for the painting of the 3 units designated.
- 3. Beanery. The Beanery is scheduled for opening on 6/17/00. This was accomplished with much help from the Americorp students by arrangement with Portola City Manager Jim Murphy.
- 4. Tamper Machine. Director Morgan reported that contracts had been sent to interested parties but as of this date no word as to their acceptance has been received.
- 5. Online Store. No report at this time
- 6. The Headlight. Director Brehm reported that he had been relieved of his publication duties by the WPRRHS Administrator.
- Train Sheet. Director Brehm reported that the same is in the mail as of this date.
- 8. Dunsmuir Daylight. Director Morgan reported that due to lack of

response the Daylight trip to Dunsmuir had been cancelled due largely in part to a lack of cooperation at various levels and due to a slow reservation return. Therefore, he had no alternative but to cancel. A letter from Past Director Holmes regarding this situation was read into record and has been placed on file. Director Morgan indicated that expenditures to date from this project would be a cost to the Museum in the area of \$3000.

9. Americorp Help. Jim Murphy gave a brief report on the availability of the Americorp group as to assistance in various endeavors. He indicated that such help could possibly be available from year to year.

10. Gift Shop. Chair Anderson reported that Lolli Bryant, present manager of the Gift Shop, has indicated that the shop combined with the R. A.L. reservation telephone line has become a bigger job than thought. She has also received an offer on her house that is for sale and in the event that transpires she will be leaving the area. Chair Anderson asked Norman Holmes if he would assist her for the time being, which he has agreed to do but not for an indefinite period. Jim Murphy indicated that the City might possibly be able to assist with the R.A.L. reservation line and the Chair is to meet with him regarding this. Also, as an alternative the local answering service will be contacted if necessary.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Railroad Days. Discussion was held as to the status of the Museum's participation and the painting of Commercial Street Tracks for Railroad Days. The Treasurer issued a check on 7/23/99 to the Old Town Merchants for this purpose which the Board had agreed upon. Due to the late date last year the project was cancelled. The Chair will ask that this be done this year.
- 2. Rail Fan Days. Director Morgan reported that no progress could be noted at this time and the Truckee representative was in negotiations with U.P. officials. Until these negotiations are resolved this event will be in limbo. It was indicated that July would be the date for this decision.
- 3. Code of Ethics / Safety & Health Program. This program developed and presented in printed form by Kerry Cochran and his committee report was accepted with the stipulation that editing to correct spelling and language be done. MOTION 46-6/2000
- 4. Zephyr Project. A motion presented by Director Morgan, second by Director Stiles that the Zephyr Project be recognized as an ongoing program of the FRRS to acquire, restore and preserve the materials and historical significance of the California Zephyr Passenger Train. MO-TION 47-6/2000 Passed.
- 5. Silver Thrush. An in-depth discussion as to the merits of committing to the purchase of the Zephyr Car, The Silver Thrush, was held and many comments, both pro and con, were proffered. During the discussion it was noted that all Directors present favored the idea of procurement but the financial aspect caused grave concern in that all mentioned monies to be obtained ie: sale of SD9, disposition of the tanks, income from the Tamper rental were not firm commitments and therefore a certain element of risk was involved. Also, a letter from our Treasurer indicated that the proposed manner of procurement did indeed involve risks. It was his indication that any action taken towards this should be done in a fiscally responsible manner. MOTION 48-6/2000 was presented and rejected. Directors Vicknair & Morgan will reword a motion pertaining to this and it will be presented at the July Board meeting.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- 1. Don Nelson has offered to organize and present to the Board an "Events Calendar" for the year 200 1. Any items regarding this should be sent to him.
- 2. It was suggested that we put agendas and upcoming motions on the FRRS eGroups list so all members that subscribe to that can be informed. Other forms of getting word out were discussed. Any suggestions are welcome.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned.