

Minutes of Past Meetings

November 3, 2001

California State Railroad Museum
Sacramento, California

President Jim Murphy called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The following directors were present: Andy Anderson, Jim Murphy, Norm Holmes, Kerry Cochran, Eugene Vicknair, Hank Stiles, Jan Breitwieser, Frank Brehm. Director Pat Brimmer participated telephonically. Visitors Present: Dan Brady, Marta Egan, Wayne Monger, Vic Neves, Eric Stephens, Charles Wickman, Debbie Murphy, Barbara Holmes, Rod McClure, Gail McClure, Judy McGrath, Gary Hall, Alan Turner, Tom Graham, Phil Guidera.

President Murphy requested the Board consider reordering the agenda by moving the closed session to the front of the agenda due to Director Brimmer's schedule. It was the consensus of the board to honor the request.

President Murphy recessed the meeting to closed session at 3:05 p.m.

Silver Hostel Litigation

The meeting was reconvened to open session at 3:20 p.m. The Board reported that no action was taken, they were provided information on the litigation and it was the consensus of the Board to have Alan Turner contact the Illinois attorney and report back to the Board.

President Murphy then requested the Board move to the Administration portion of the agenda.

ADMINISTRATION:

Mr. Murphy handed out various correspondences to the directors. He requested the Board appoint a voting delegate to the TRAIN organization.

Motion #01-11-01

Made by Director Cochran, seconded by Vice-President Anderson to appoint Director Holmes as the voting delegate. All members present voted in favor.

Mr. Murphy discussed a bill for the satellite dish and missing boxes. It was the consensus of the Board to cancel the service.

Mr. Murphy continued with brief discussions relating to following:

WINTERAIL: Director Stiles will handle the logistics

Alan H, has been getting a lot done, his last day will be November 30, 2001

The recent work day and bar-b-que.

Insurance issues will be handled by Gary Hall and presented at the December 1, 2001 meeting.

Once vacancies are announced in the Train Sheet, department heads will be appointed.

Director Brimmer will handle Santa Train.

A future agenda needs to have an item to discuss locks missing in the business car and the digital camera has not been found.

President Murphy then addressed the Board and read a letter announcing his resignation from President and a member of the Board. The letter is attached in its original unedited form as Exhibit "A". Mr. Murphy also requested the letter be published in its original unedited form in the Train Sheet.

Mr. Murphy turned the meeting over to Vice-President Anderson and departed at 3:40 p.m.

Vice-President Anderson explained that he understood he was authorized to ask another Board member to Chair the meeting and asked Director Vicknair to continue. Mr. Anderson left the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The following items were removed from the Consent Calendar

2. b. Profit & Loss Report (to be covered in item OB 7
4. Computer Network Plan – No information available
5. Administrative Service Department Report – No information available.

The following items were considered:

6. October 6, 2001 Minutes
7. Finance Reports
 - a. Transaction Report – October 2001
1. Master Plan Report.

Motion #01-11-02

Made by Director Stiles, seconded by Director Brehm to approve the consent agenda reports with the exceptions noted. All directors present voted in favor. Vice-President Anderson was absent.

OLD BUSINESS:

POLICIES & PROCEDURES: Director Cochran handed out a list of policies being worked on along with update to the manual. He also presented the old mail policy and a revised version for future consideration.

LEGAL ITEMS: Alan Turner presented the Board with updates on the following legal issues: Silver Hostel, Magnolia Tower, Tanks. He noted that these were the three legal issues he would be investigating and requested Board members provide him with any information regarding the items that they have.

CRYOGENIC BOX CAR: The A & D Committee reported that they had determined the car should be considered for acquisition. They also noted that the sealed nature of the car made it ideal for storage. Director Breitwieser questioned the cost of the car. It was explained that the only cost would be for transportation.

Motion No. 01-11-03

Made by Director Brehm, seconded by Director Stiles to direct Director Holmes to proceed with acquisition of the car and try to get the Feather River Car. All members present voted in favor. Vice-President Anderson was absent.

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BAGGAGE CAR/GIFT SHOP: Ms. Tigan explained that this item was placed on the agenda at the request of Vice-President Anderson. It was the consensus of the Board to table this item to the next meeting.

BUDGET INCREASE WP779, CLV 2: Director Holmes requested a \$1,500 increase to the budget to acquire the cars. The additional funds will be used to purchase a storage unit for the donor.

Motion No. 01-11-04

Made by Director Holmes, seconded by Director Breitwieser to increase the budget for the cars by an amount not to exceed \$2,500. All members present voted in favor. Vice-President Anderson was absent.

2001/2002 CALENDAR: The calendar presented at the last meeting was discussed. The dates for Portola and Truckee Railroad Days were still not final so they would be left off the calendar. Railfan day will be moved forward one week. The board directed the calendar to be finished and published.

2002 BUDGET PROCESS: Treasurer Dan Brady presented an updated Profit & Loss Report and cash report. He updated the Board on the current financial standing of the Society and requested Board members provide figures for projects to be included in next years budget.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESTORATION PROJECTS: Director Brimmer presented a motion to stop all restoration projects for the Board to consider. He explained that he felt the slate should be wiped clean and all projects should be approved before any more work is done. He noted that past approvals should be considered null and void. He also explained that this action would affect all projects with the exception of the Silver Hostel Project. The Board discussed the wording of the motion and the need for a policy relating to restoration project.

Motion No. 01-11-05

Made by Director Brimmer, seconded by Director Breitwieser that the restoration projects list for the FRRS is now blank and contains no items for restoration with the exception of the Silver Hostel Project which may continue as long as funds remain in the Silver Hostel project temporary restricted fund. Directors Brimmer, Breitwieser, Vicknair, Brehm, Cochran voted in favor. Director Vicknair abstained. Director Stiles voted against. Vice-President Anderson was absent.

Director Brimmer left the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

2002 ELECTION PROCESS: Tom Graham presented the election schedule and process to the Board. He explained that the resignation today would change the election by adding an additional one-year term. The Board discussed the process that would be used for a member to see proposed by law changes, the need for the Train Sheet notice to constitute the official notice to the membership. It was then consensus of the Board to accept the proposed report, minor correction would be made and a new copy gotten out to the Board.

MEMORIAL GROVE: Director Vicknair presented his report regarding the addition of a Memorial Grove to the master site plan. The Board directed the Site Committee to move forward with the proposed change.

RELOCATION OF OFFICE & BUNK CARS: It was the consensus of the board to table this item to the next meeting.

ROADMASTERS REPORT: Rod McClure presented his report to the Board and asked them to review it for discussion at the next meeting. He noted that he needed a date for next years Portola Railroad Days so he could work on a passenger train. He noted that the UP was going to reconstruct track in Portola and that he would try to get any old track for the museum.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

It was noted that the tamper and gift shop ordering both needed to be addressed.

ADJOURN:

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

December 1, 2001

Portola City Hall
Portola, California

Vice-President Andy Anderson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The following directors were present: Andy Anderson, Pat Brimmer, Frank Brehm, Kerry Cochran, Eugene Vicknair, Jan Brietwieser, Norm Holmes, Hank Stiles.

Visitors Present: Eric Stephens, Rod McClure, Gail McClure, Judy McGrath, Alan Turner, Tom Graham, Ed Wagner.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Minutes – Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 3, 2001.
2. Finance Reports - Transaction report through November 20, 2001 Profit & Loss
3. Convention Report
4. Revision of Motion #01-11-05

Motion #01-12-01

Made by Director Vicknair, seconded by Director Brehm to approve the consent agenda reports as presented. All directors present voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

ELECTION SUGGESTIONS: Director Vicknair reviewed his report that listed five items relating to the election process which he felt should be addressed. After reviewing the items, the Board determined that the items were addressed in the Nomination and Election Policy already in place and that no action needed to be taken. The Board did agree that members of the Election Committee should not publicly indorse any candidate or legislation to the membership.

ROADMASTER REPORT: Rod McClure presented his report regarding the roadmaster position and the state of the railroad. The Board thanked Mr. McClure for the report and complimented him on the report's content.