

MINUTES
Board of Directors' Meeting
4th Division, PNR, NMRA
August 15, 2015

Attendees: *Russ Segner, Al Lowe, David Yadock, Ed Liesse, Peter Gulick, Paul Pellegrino, Kurt Laidlaw, Ed Ives, Bob Rorabaugh, Cliff Green, Jack Hamilton, Bill Messecar*

Supt. Russ Segner called the meeting to order at 11:40am

It was moved, seconded and passed (MSP) to accept the minutes of last meeting.

Officers' reports

Superintendent: Kurt Laidlaw has agreed to serve as the 4D Assistant Superintendent which creates an opening which Paul Pellegrino has agreed to fill. It was MSP to appoint these two individuals to fill the open positions. Russ reviewed his trip to the Cumbres and Toltec Scenic RR at Chama, NM and their need for volunteers

Asst. Superintendent: Kurt reported that Walt Huston was out of surgery and in good spirits. Walt is home and up for visitors.

Treasurer: Treasurer Mike Donnelly

was out of town but submitted his report for the August 2015 BOD meeting. It was MSP to accept the Treasurers report.

Membership: Bob Rorabaugh reported he has possession of the two 10' by 10' generic canopies if one of the Modular groups wants to use them. Paul Pellegrino requested one for September. Bob also handed out an article on receiving new members. He will be doing follow up on new 4D members— Russ Segner offered to help. Jack Hamilton suggested dividing 4D new members into local clinic areas to target them locally.

Office Manager:

Ed handed out a current membership report as of June 2015: PNR 1576 members and 4th Div. 538.

PSC Show: David Yadock handed out a written report "Changes in Pacific Science Center Show for Year 2016" which also includes ideas for future PSC shows. The PSC show will be having the layouts in approximately the same dimensions as last year. There will be several other groups that will be attending the show that will have to relocate their displays. . Building 4 will be closed again and the classrooms will not be open. David will notify the modular groups in the next two weeks for the layout size. The insurance certificate to be obtained from NMRA. Ed Liesse to follow up on insurance with NMRA.

Committee and Program Reports

Hi-Railers: Planning to attend the NMRA convention in Portland and Lynden this fall.

4DNTRAK: Held annual meeting 2 weeks ago. Will be participating in 8 shows this coming year including Lynden in October.

OmNiRail; Participating in Skykomish RR Days and the Fall City show. Planning a members meeting in September.

HO Modular: Annual meeting will be September 12. The layout will be at the NMRA convention in Portland. Also plan to attend Lynden and Maple Valley in October.

Old Business: The question of reimbursement was raised by several modular groups. The Board had recently set the rate at 14c per mile. A motion was made and seconded to adjust the rate to match the Federal business mileage reimbursement rate of 57c per mile. Motion passed.

New business

Jack Hamilton suggested that a new 4D AP Chairman more centrally located should replace the current chairman. Russ reminded the Board that the PNR General Membership meeting will be held at the NMRA Convention in Portland Wednesday August 26 at 7pm.

Cliff Green reported that the 4D web site came together without a lot of issues. Thanks for Cliff, Al and Kevin. It was reported that we'll need to look for a new chairperson for the Eastside and Tacoma Clinics

for 2015-16. Russ asked Kurt to help recruit a new leader for the Tacoma Clinic if Gene Swanson does not wish to continue. Russ Segner will host a discussion of the future of the PSC show at his home before the next BOD meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed and the meeting was adjourned at 12:50pm. The next meeting is Saturday October 17 at a time and location TBD.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Messecar, Secretary