

**MINUTES**  
**Board of Directors' Meeting**  
4<sup>th</sup> Division, PNR, NMRA  
December 12, 2015

*Attendees: Russ Segner, Michael Donnelly, Al Lowe, David Yadock, Ed Ives, William Messecar, Jack Hamilton, Ed Liesse, Paul Pellegrino, Alex Brikoff, Cliff Green*

Supt. Russ Segner called the meeting to order at 10:31a.m. The Minutes from the October 2015 B.O.D. meeting and today's agenda were unanimously approved.

**Officers' Reports**

**Superintendent:** Russ Segner reported that J J Johnson has stepped down at Eastside clinic chair and he will lead it for the next three months on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday evening. He had secured the Redmond public for a meeting room. Russ mentioned that Bob Stafford has stepped down as Publicity Chair and he is looking for a replacement. He reported that Kurt is heading up the Spring Meet but hasn't been able to locate a venue north of Seattle. We want to nail down a location by January and will be looking at Community colleges. Russ has met with Jim Yonkins and Jim Sabol to discuss the Golden Grab Iron award given to an individual who has made contributions to the life of the 4<sup>th</sup> Division, target is prior to the annual meeting—give suggestions to Russ. He reported that he had five projectors from the National Show this August for clinics or modular groups. We decided not to solicit PSX to pay for the projectors.

**Treasurer:** Mike Donnelly handed out the current Treasurers report and it was MSP to accept his report for year to date. Mike reported that modular groups are overrunning the mileage reimbursement budget because of the BOD approved rate increase—this is OK. Consensus of the BOD, that the Treasurer will handle 4D old and new asset valuations. Treasurer to handle future exchange of assets by notes. He will revise the December Treasurers to reflect this action. Russ will ask Steve Cook to chair an audit committee and appoint two others.

**Membership:** Alex presented Bob's written report which will be posted on line to solicit feedback. Bob reported the 4D will have an NMRA membership booth at the Washington State History Museum train show Dec. 21 to Jan. 1, 2016. He needs other to help man the booth.

**Pacific Science Show:** The show contract is signed. We'll need people to help with load in and load out, also floaters to help. Omni-Rail reported they will not be there. David and Jack Hamilton are working on recruiting more help for the show. There was some difficulty with Bob J installing a display at PSC and we'll need a different display to advertise the show. Russ will work to find someone to install a display.

**Office Manager:** Ed Liesse handed over the insurance certificate for PSC to David. 4D currently has 543 members, 78 life members, 23 rail passes and 14 Master Model Railroaders.

**Modular Groups:**

**Hi-Railers.** Went to the Puyallup Train Show—noted that attendance, vendors and spending was down. They plan to go to the PSC show. They have repaired their damaged trailer

**4DNTRAK:** Went to the Puyallup show but have not been invited to the WSHM show over Christmas. They will be at PSC.

**OmniRail:** They are working on 14 new modules and are out of membership materials. Believe it is best to have materials at the modules.

**HO Modular:** They bought their new trailer and sold the old trailer for \$1,200.

**NMRA Regional Director:** Jack Hamilton reported the NMRA will have their next BOD meeting in mid-February. The NMRA Retention and Recruiting Committee hopes to ramp up recruiting at the PSC show. Plan is to focus on modules for more recruiting. Jack requested photos of modules and the role they play.

**Clinic Chairs:** We're hoping to create a new clinic in Renton but need to find a location.

**Old Business:** Russ reported that we still have 18 boxes of videos and DVDs. We gave away quite a bit of material at the Boeing Swap meet and received \$265 in donations. Russ will try and dispose of the rest of the material at the Monroe show in February. He will close the north end storage unit at the end of

December and move to a less expensive until in Newcastle in Jan. 2016. There was mention that the Fall fair at Puyallup may be going to four weekends (16 hours per day) in September instead of open daily.

Next meeting Saturday February 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am at Kent, WA Mitzel's

Respectfully submitted,  
William Messecar MMR, Secretary