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Board of Directors' Meeting

4th Division, PNR, NMRA June 11, 2016

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

Supt. Russ Segner called the meeting to order at 10am. The minutes from the April 2016 B.O.D. meeting and today's agenda were unanimously approved.

Officers' Reports

Superintendent: Russ Segner reported there have been three meetings of the east side clinic in the Redmond library. Alex will look for a new permanent location. Two meetings have been held of the Renton clinic and Russ is looking for a clinic leader. The east side clinic meets on the 3rd Thursday and the Renton clinic meets on the 4th Thursday of the month. Russ thanked Kurt Laidlaw for a very successful 4D Spring Meet.

Asst. Superintendent: Kurt Laidlaw handed in a written report on the 2016 spring meet. He commented that attendees wanted a contest room. There is interest in doing something further north in 4D for 2017. Cliff Green has added the spring meet page to the 4D web site.

Treasurer: Mike Donnelly reported that the spring meet lost about \$700. Mike handed out copies of the 2015-16 through May 2016 Treasurers report—which was approved. There was discussion of the 2016-17 budget presented by Mike.

- MSP to remove publicity expense from the budget
- MSP to accept the amended 2016-17 budget.

Office Manager: Reported 543 members, 15 rail pass, 8 students, 5 corporate members and 77 life, 33 family and 405 regular members as well as 3 new members who signed up at the 4D meet.

Modular Groups:

Hi-Railers. Attending the Washington Home School Convention show June 18-20, also GATS in November in Puyallup.

4DNTRAK: They will be joining Omni Rail with a large layout at the WHS Convention.

Omni Rail: Reported 2 new members and others interested in joining. Will plan next year's activity after the WSH Convention.

Bremerton Northern: They have had several new members join recently. They plan to participate in the Kitsap County Fair at the end of August.

Pacific Science Center: David met with the new person in charge of the January PSC show. He reported they plan to do an internet search on all volunteers based on name, DOB and sex. We will need to start early providing volunteer names for this process. Russ has an On30 portable layout that can be used at PSC along with an HO switching module.

Committee and Program Reports

Clinics: Upward of 20 people are attending the eastside clinic in Redmond. Dave Cook is now running the Redmond clinic. Renton: Russ expects that group to grow but we need a leader and a stable place to meet for both. Alex Brikoff handed out a list of four locations he had identified in the Redmond, Woodinville, Bothell and Kirkland areas. Cost looks like \$80 to \$100 per meeting.

Western Director: Jack is at the end of his NMRA Director term. He reported that retention of members is better in PNR than most other regions but needs to improve. PNR leadership will be hosting a retention seminar. The NMRA recruiting video is now available on the NMRA web site.

Membership: Bob met with a MN modeler on his trip to Norway and referred him to the MN NMRA group. Bob is making calls to new 4D members and he noted strong growth in the 7D (BC) region.

Video Library: Someone from the Tacoma clinic offered to translate the remaining 250 4D videos to DVDs.

New Business: MSP to sponsor the On30 modular group on Whidbey Island. Russ and Bill Messecar are working to put together an eastside layout tour for Saturday August 27. Discussion on ideas for fund raising to support 4D revenues.

Next meeting Saturday September 17 at Kent, WA Mitzel's 10:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

William Messecar MMR, Secretary