**MINUTES**

**Board of Directors’ Meeting**

4th Division, PNR, NMRA

June 15, 2019

Attendees: *Russ Segner, Jack Hamilton, Mike Donnelly, Ed Ives, Bill Messecar, Robin Peel, Anton Faulk, Al Lowe, Ed Liesse, Mike Slease*

Supt. Russ Segner called the meeting to order at 9:30am June 15, 2019. The minutes were approved as written.

**Officers’ Reports**

**Superintendent**: reported on the election of officers for 4D for spring for 2019-20. David Yadock counted the 130 ballots returned and the following were reelected: Al Lowe as Assistant Superintendent, Anton Faulk and Robin Peel as Directors all to serve another term. Russ is serving a temporary PSC show chairman but is working to recruit someone for show chairman. Jack Hamilton suggested we produce a writeup for the various 4D offices and what is involved in serving in them. Russ attended the PNR convention at Cranbrook, BC and thought it was the best he has attended including venue, tours, clinics and train show. Next one will be in 2020 in Eugene, OR.

**Assistant Superintendent:** Al Lowe reported on the Spring meet to held June 22, 2019 from 9am to 4pm at the Tacoma Community College in Tacoma. Sixty-one are registered so far—expect 10 to 12 additional to show up the day of the event. Kurt Laidlaw is working with Subway to place an order for the lunch sandwiches.

**Treasurer:** Submitted the June Treasurer’s report. Reported we are current with membership dues from NMRA and PNR. Report was approved by the Board. It was moved, seconded and passed (MSP) to authorize the HO modular group to spend $6,000 to acquire a new 7’ by 14’ trailer which includes the funds from trading in their old trailer. The was a discussion of the 2019-20 draft budget which Mike had prepared. Various items were added or modified. The BOD directed Mike to remove the request by the Oak Harbor $150 lunch request and agree to the Portland travel request by two modular groups. MSP to accept the budget as revised.

**Office Manager:** Ed submitted a hand-written report as follows: 158 PNR members, 476 4D members including 8 rail pass, 31 family members and 73 life members. PNR now has 40 Master Model Railroaders including 22 in 4D.

**Modular Groups:**

**HO Modular group:** Holding several work parties to get modules ready for the fall.

**Hi-Railers:** Working on updating their signal system.  
**4D-NTRAK:** On summer break

**Clinics:** They have ended for this season. Westside clinic is looking for clinicians

**MOHAI:** Ed Ives needs to know the space requirements for the NTRAK group soon. He needs the kiddie layout for the show. There is an 8’ by 16’ space to fill. MOHAI will need the usual liability and tax documents form the NMRA.

**Pacific Science Center Show:** Russ met with the PSC show staff who have offered us more space. PSC wants to continue the 4D modular group participation.

**Grab Iron:** Mike Slease handed out an estimate to print and mail an issue of *Grab Iron* in B&W and color. Mike suggested 4D do one issue as a test issue late in summer 2019. Bill Messecar volunteered to do a write up of the SLC NMRA convention and Robin to assemble a recruiting article. It was MSP to budget up to $900 to do an eight-page color *Grab Iron* for early fall 2019. Mike Slease will assemble, print and mail the issue. Mike D. will include the $900 in the revised 2019-20 4D budget. Mike Slease had new 4D membership banners and sought to hand these to the modular groups in attendance. Ed Ives, Al Lowe and Mike S will discuss a banner design for use by the modular groups by the next 4D BOD meeting.

Jack Hamilton asked for a volunteer to review EDU train clinics from 4D to submit them to the NMRA. Bill Messecar volunteered. A suggestion was made to include contests at future 4D spring meets.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40am

Next meeting 9:30am Saturday August 3 at Pacific NW RR Archives in Burien. Bring your breakfast.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Messecar MMR, Secretary