**MINUTES**

**Board of Directors’ Meeting**

4th Division, PNR, NMRA September 25, 2021

*Attendees:* Russ Segner, Ed Ives, Bill Messecar, Robin Peel, Al Lowe, Alex Brikoff, Dennis Terpstra, Ed Liesse, Ted Becker, Jack Hamilton, Lisa Murray, Mike Slease, Kurt Laidlaw, and others.

Supt. Russ Segner called the meeting to order via Zoom at 10:05 AM. June BOD Minutes approved.

**Officers’ Reports**

**Superintendent**: Russ reminded the BOD that the Boeing Swap Meet will be held Saturday Nov. 13 and the 4D should obtain tables to promote NMRA and PNR membership and activities.

**Assistant Superintendent:** No report.

**Treasurer:** Robin presented the 2021/22 budget approved at the previous BOD meet in June. He will supply Anton the year-end financial summary and budget for posting to the 4D website. Robin mentioned that we are still holding $7,888 left over from the 2004 PSX NMRA convention. A motion was moved, seconded and passed to ask Di Voss, Jack Hamilton and Ed Liesse to discuss possible uses of these funds by the 4th Division of PNR.

**Office Manager:** Ed Liesse reported PNR membership at 1,408 and 4D Membership at 437. There are 23 MMRs in the 4th Division. Ed requested help in reviewing the inactive list, which included 1,599 past members from 4D.

**Membership:** Russ ask the BOD for help in identifying a new membership chair.

**Communications:** Lisa Murray discussed the 4D web site overhaul status. A small working group is meeting to discuss what needs be there, design and front end. They are working on a proposal to present at the next BOD meeting. Russ asked about a timeline and Lisa replied they did not yet have one but may by the next BOD meeting. They will look at other social media such as Facebook and Twitter later.

**Modular Groups**

**Hi-Railers:** The group is planning to attend the Lynden show and the Maple Valley show two weeks later. The Maple Valley show needs two or three volunteers to help run the show.

**4DNTRAK:** Working on new modules but group has decided not to do shows during Covid.

**HO Modular:** Will attend Lynden show. Group is building five new modules.

**Bremerton Northern:** The group is set up again in their mall location which is a good location for their HO and N scale modules.

**On30:** No report.

**Clinics**

**Eastside Clinic:**  The Eastside Clinic started virtually for the 2021-2022 clinic season in September.  We have clinics on the schedule for October, November and potentially for December.  The Eastside Clinic will continue to be virtual for the immediate future due to continuing health concerns with the COVID-19 pandemic.  At some point in the post pandemic future, we will revisit the idea of starting up a clinic in the Everett/Marysville area.

**North Seattle:** Virtual clinics are lined up for the fall. The October clinic will be a virtual operating session hosted by Burr Stewart.

**Mt. Vernon:** Ted Becker reported that October/November clinics are lined up.

**Westside:** The October meeting will be held at the Kitsap Mall in Bremerton virtual and in person.

**Old Business**

**Lutheran Retirement Home:** Kurt reported that new ownership is no longer interested in the layout at the home and it has been dismantled.

**Trailers:** Robin as treasurer has been dealing with different registered owners, point of contact and renewal dates for modular group trainers. Ed Ives stated that the Hi-Railers group no longer needs the maroon trailer. Robin is developing a more structured approach to how 4D licenses these trailers. Robin will report at the next 4D BOD meeting.

**Make and Take:** There is no interest in remote make and take clinics so they will be shelved until we are meeting again in person. Jack Hamilton will mail the newest 4D MMR his certificate as no in person presentation is possible right now.

**National Narrow Gauge Convention:** The NNG convention will be held in Tacoma in early September 2022. Robin will be the Convention Chair; Russ will be Clinic Chair. Information is available at [SeattleNNGC.com](https://www.seattlenngc.com/). MSP to make the 2022 NNG Convention a sponsored event of the 4th Division.

**Layout Tours:** Next layout tours will be held Saturday, October 9 at 10 AM via Zoom. Watch the *Grab Iron* for details.

Jack Hamilton suggested we invite the 4D AP Chair to future virtual BOD meetings.

Next meeting will be 10:00 AM, Saturday, November 20, 2021 via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Messecar MMR, Secretary