

Pacific Railroad Society Inc.

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting, January 2, 2019

In attendance; Directors: President Virginia Grupp, Vice President Andrew Novak, Treasurer Marti Ann Draper, Secretary Rick Reyes, Director Stephanie Novak, Director Mark Abbott and Director Barry Draper. Chairpersons: Albert Novak, Russ Homan.

Absent: Museum Chairperson Dave Housh.

Meeting called to order at: 7:33 pm

Presidents Remarks: Welcome everyone. I hope you had a good holiday.

Vice President's Remarks: None

Secretary's Report: Secretary Rick Reyes presented the minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting for December 5, 2018.

MOTION #27: Director Stephanie Novak moved that the minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting for December 5, 2018 be approved. Director Andrew Novak seconded the motion. The motion was **APPROVED**.

Treasurer's Report: Marti Ann Draper has no report. She had serious time constraints involving her other duties. However, she will have one soon. We are solvent; however we are still losing money. Excursion is selling well.

Committee Reports

Budget: Chairperson Marti Ann Draper has no report. The reasons are related to Treasurer's Report. We need to have more donations and legacies.

By-Laws: Chairperson Andrew Novak does not have a report at this time. He should have one next month. Member Barry Draper pointed out that By-Laws mandate that the Board meetings to be held in Alhambra. This will need to be changed in new By-Laws.

Excursions: Chairperson Marti Ann Draper reports that Excursion # 554, the trip to San Diego using second train in morning has essentially sold out (!). We structured this trip to run under \$1,800.00 minimum fee. Amtrak allows trips to San Diego under Surfliners #562-565. Chairperson asks permission to run Excursion #555 Los Angeles to San Diego

MOTION #28: Vice President Andrew Novak moved to authorize Excursion #555 to run with car National Forum Los Angeles to San Diego on Feb 23 to return Feb 24 2019. The motion was seconded by Stephanie Novak. The motion was **APPROVED**.

Chairperson Draper put out "feelers" to Dave Wilkerson regarding a possible future

excursion on the Fillmore and Western Railroad in April or May of this year.

Our committee has been working very hard to get the National Forum ready to run. We needed to have PC1 test. Pat Egon needed a single car test device, as his is not certified. We were able to hire Amtrak employee with Amtrak single car test device. The service portion of airbrake valve did not pass. So we needed to change it. The Amtrak employee said he could do it. Next day it was still not installed. Amtrak told the employee to not work on our private car. So Assistant Treasurer Russ Homan installed it.

We supplied the Umler COTS data to AAPRCO

Insurance: Chairperson Draper reports. Three topics 1. Certificate sent to South Pasadena for meetings. 2. Amtrak is demanding a higher limit on liability insurance. 3. We may shift our liability insurance depending on topic #3. 3. Chairperson Draper is going to RPCA convention and will find out best price for insurance.

Legal: Chairperson Draper reports that "We're not suing anybody. Nobody is suing us". San Bernardino Area Governments (SANBAG) has finally come up with a proposed lease for storing cars.

Mailing: Chairperson Virginia Grupp reports that whoever is interested can back here for mailing party here at museum at 10:15.

Membership: Chairperson Grupp has sent a membership roster out as an Excel spread sheet and PDF. Regular members will only get a PDF version.

Museum: No report. Chairperson Dave Housh was absent.

Programs: Chairperson Andrew Novak reports that between Russ Davies, Harvey Laner, Jim Baker and Alan Fishel, will come up featured program(s). Chairperson Novak was not informed as to what the program for meeting will be.

Publications: PDF tomorrow out. The deadline for submission of articles to *Wheel Clicks* is January. Feb 7 is mailing party for *Wheel Clicks*.

Rolling Stock: Chairperson Al Novak reports that the only thing that happened is that on Dec 22 Tyco sent an alarm. The Chairperson, Directors Andrew and Stephanie Novak responded to DART. They found a hole in the UP railroad gate. The hole was repaired with "hog rings", expanded steel mesh and hardware.

Special Events: Chairperson Stephanie Novak reports that the holiday banquet made close to \$600.00. It would have been nice to have made more. At least we didn't lose money. We had about 50 people attend. We had a tremendous banquet. If you didn't go then you missed out! The office supply store "Staples" donated certificates for awards at banquet.

Unfinished Business

Still haven't heard from Jon Clark. Don't hold your breath.

New Business

No nominations yet.

Announcements:

Adjournment: Adjourned at 8:22.