

Summary of Recent Board Meetings

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July 2003 Board Meeting

Motions and Actions Summary

Motions Passed

Consent Motions – Motion 03-07-02

Minutes – Approval of the corrected minutes of the regular meeting held June 7, 2003. Director McClure reported a correction to the minutes: Ed Wagner's brother's name was Joe, not Gerald.

Financial Reports – Removed from Consent Agenda under motion 03-07-01

Motions

No regular business motions were presented.

Actions and Notices

Director Cochran advised that over the last several months, several safety issues have been identified and everyone needs to be more conscious to mitigating.

President Rod McClure was pleased to announce that we have already begun to see some big changes around the facility due to the efforts of our new Museum Manager, John Walker.

President Rod McClure advised that all donor checks have been accounted for with respect to the purchase of the WP 705.

Director Gail McClure reported that the Society was awarded \$1,800 from the National Railway Historical Society toward the Troop Sleeper restoration project and was one of 18 from a total of 59 applications that was funded.

Director Brehm announced that once again, he has found himself without enough information to properly fill The Train Sheet with information and updates about what is going on with the Society and at the facility. Rather than delay publication again, he will be sending it out with blank columns. President McClure requested once again that everyone make a concerted effort to get information to Frank by established deadlines so that we can keep the membership informed.

Thom Anderson reported to the Board regarding the WPRHS 2003 Convention. There were 112 attendees at the Convention and 87 individuals at the banquet. The WPRRHS website has been down since last year, but will be back up by the end of the month. The next issue of The Headlight should be at the printer next month.

Closed Session

President McClure advised a report was given regarding ongoing legal issues, no action was taken. Board approved in concept the sale of a certain piece of deaccessioned equipment and provided consensus direction to the President to pursue a contract for same to be brought before the Board. A report was given regarding a proposed trade of equipment and that trade was given consensus approval pending acceptance of the other party to same. The Board will provide additional detail at the next Board Meeting.

August 2003 Board Meeting

Motions and Actions Summary

Motions Passed

Announcement of Election Results – Accepted under Motion 03-08-01 Nominees on ballots

Steve Habeck: 526

Gail McClure: 522

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Eugene Vicknair: 515

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Bill Adamson: 1

Pat Brimmer: 1

Ken Iverson: 1

Jim Murphy: 3

Ken Roller: 1

Andy Anderson: 1

Don Britebarth: 1

John McCormick: 1

Vic Neves: 1

Election of Officers

Rod McClure was nominated for and elected to the position of President. All Directors present voted in favor with the exception of Director Stiles who abstained.

Frank Brehm was nominated for and elected to the position of Vice President. All Directors present voted in favor.

Eugene Vicknair was nominated for and elected to the position of Secretary. All Directors present voted in favor.

Dan Brady was nominated for and elected to the position of Treasurer. All Directors present voted in favor.

Motion 03-08-03.. Appointment of Department Heads

Appointment of existing Department Heads subject to review and/or reappointment. Motion made by Director Anderson, seconded by Director Vicknair. Motion carried

Consent Motions – Motion 03-08-02

Minutes – Approval of the corrected minutes of the regular meeting held July 12, 2003.

Motions

Motion 03-08-03.. Ratification of FRRS/BAERA Equipment Trade

Ratification of equipment trade as described. Motion made by Director Brehm, seconded by Director Stiles. Motion carried – Motion carried.

Roster of traded equipment to Western Railway Museum from Portola Railroad Museum:

SN 146 44-tonner, Saltair 44-tonner, extra parts for 44-tonners, SN Caboose 1632, WP flatcar 8522, one switch frog, one speeder crane ("crab car"), one wooden push car, one ballast car yet to be identified.

to Portola Railroad Museum from Western Railway Museum:

WP 917D F7A, SN 712 GP7, UP Caboose 25732, WP Caboose 483, MRS-1's 612 and 614, TTX flatcar, Amtrak F3B Power Car 662, steel building frame - 310' x 110'

Motion 03-08-04.. Portola Railroad Days/Railroad Museum Fundraising

Acceptance of contract with Longboards as amended and authorize the President to sign on behalf of the Society. Motion made by Director Stiles, seconded by Director Vicknair. All Directors present voted in favor – Motion carried.

Motion 03-08-05.. 2004 WPRRHS Convention Equipment Repair

Motion to table. Motion made by Director Cochran, seconded by Director Brehm. All Directors present voted in favor – Motion carried.

Motion 03-08-06.. Troop Sleeper Restoration

Approval of project subject to grant funding and funding to be provided from budget line item 56000 – Restoration. Motion made by Director Anderson, seconded by Director Stiles. All Directors present voted in favor of the motion with the exception of Director Cochran who

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abstained – Motion carried.

Motion 03-08-07.. Review of New Marketing Brochure

Acceptance of new brochure style. Motion made by Director Anderson, seconded by Director Stiles. All Directors present voted in favor, with the exception of Director Brehm who abstained – Motion carried.

Motion 03-08-08.. Urgency Additions

Add item as urgency item which came up after the agenda was published and must be acted upon prior to the next meeting. Motion made by Director Stiles, seconded by Director Vicknair. All Directors present voted in favor – Motion carried.

Motion 03-08-09.. Acceptance of Building Frame and Transportation

Acceptance of gift of the New Melones Dam Building from the Western Railway Museum and immediately contact Scott Franklin for transportation from Rio Vista Junction, CA to Portola, CA with a maximum of \$2,000 and funding provided from budget line item 70000 – Facilities. Motion made by Director Brehm, seconded by Director Vicknair. All Directors present voted in favor– Motion carried.

Actions and Notices

Treasurer Brady presented our 2002 Year End Financial Reports. He reviewed the report with the Board area by area. Overall, we continue to grow at a reasonable pace and our liabilities remain remarkably low for an organization of our size. He then presented our current financial information including a comparison to budget. He advised they appear to be on track with where he would expect them to be at this time of year.

President McClure advised Pat Brimmer notified him he no longer wishes to coordinate Santa Trains and recommended Loren Ross or Jim Halliwell. He has not spoken with either one to see if they are willing to head up the project. He will work on it and asked for input between now and the next meeting.

Wayne Monger and his wife Linda were pleased to announce a personal donation in the amount of \$5,000 to finish the restoration of the two Union Pacific cabooses in the FRRS collection. He asked that a plaque be placed inside of both cabooses stating restoration of these cabooses were partly funded by them in loving memory of their parents and educators Kathryn Lavonne Valentine and Ivor “Jack” Monger with over 60 years combined dedication to California children. The Board accepted the donation with their thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Monger for their support of the project.

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WP Lives, in Portola!

Mission Statement

The mission of the Feather River Rail Society is to preserve the history of the Western Pacific Railroad. The secondary mission is to preserve the history of the subsidiary and interchange railroads within the territories it served.

Mission Goals

To preserve and interpret the history of the WP, the “Willing People” as a vital link in the development of the rail industry on the West Coast, including the steam and diesel evolution, WP’s influence in the passenger tourism industry, the impact of freight competition between neighboring railroads. WP’s influence in the lumber, mining and agriculture industry from Plumas County throughout California, Nevada and Utah

Closed Session

Adjourned to closed session at 8:50 pm, reconvened to open session 9:54 pm

Property Issue – Consensus direction was given to President McClure to pursue equipment trade matters, no action was taken.

Items Postponed, Held Over or Continued

- Revised ADA Walkway Plan
- Magnolia Tower
- Santa Train
- Beanery Kitchen Issues

respectfully submitted by Eugene Vicknair, secretary

2004 Glad Hand Award



This years Glad Hand Award recipient Sam Hershbein proudly shows off his plaque. Presented after the days activities for Portola Railroad Days Sam was taken totally by surprise with the announcement.

-Photo by Frank Brehm

Upcoming Events

- December (Santa Trains)
- 6 Board Meeting, 1 p.m., Santa Train 5 p.m.
- 13 Santa Train 5 p.m.