

Southern Oregon Railway Historical Society
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting 3:00PM April 19, 2025
At the MedFab Conference Center
1119 Court St., Medford, OR

Meeting Called to order by President Ric Walch at 3:05 p.m.

1. Roll Call: Those present: Ric Walch, Mick Smith, Donavin Brown, Ken Hill, Donna Hill, Diane Guler, Trish Callahan, Lyle Bozworth, and Eric Muller.
2. Agenda: Board meetings should be separated from member meetings. The agenda was approved by consensus.
3. Treasurer's Report: Donnie Brown presented the Treasurer's report. Ric suggested that the income from run day be more detailed and will be taken up as new business. No other questions were asked. The report was accepted as presented.
4. New Business:
 - How do we pay bills? Lots of people won't take checks. Ric suggested using a debit cards (3) one for Donnie, one for Ric and one for Jerry on the #4 account. Trish suggests reimbursement through BillPay at RFCU. Donnie will follow up on this.
 - Ric and Donnie shopped for Burger Shack supplies at 3 separate places: Thunderbird, Costco and Chef's supply. What about Costco card? It costs \$130 a year for a preferred member card. Donnie will do a bit more research about the Costco card.
 - Snap bracelets and new hats & bandanas need to be ordered. Mick will do that.
 - Steps up the concession stand need to be replaced. Ken will take measurements and get back to the board.
 - Table that collapsed last Sunday. We need to determine which group is responsible for existing tables. We need to get the questionable tables retired.
5. Committee Reports:
 - a. Medco 4: nothing to report.
 - b. Burger Shack:
 - We were super busy last Sunday and having extra people there was incredibly helpful. Those who were there talked about getting a cast iron grill along with other items, like chili, hot dogs. Discussed conflict with concession at Live Steamers.
 - We need the same staffing levels for future run days. We need 2 people on the grill and an expeditor to call out the orders.
 - Trish has a food handler's permit. Mick will print it out and see that it is available for the run days.
 - Popcorn is a good seller and Trish will see if the one at the Landing and Lyle said there was one at the Coop resale store on Court St.

- What about extending hours of operation of the Burger Shack to 4 pm. Ken mentioned that other clubs need to be consulted...think about it for the next meeting.
 - c. Newsletter: no report
 - d. Website: nothing to report.
 - e. Butte Falls: Trish talked with Jerry Scriven and Ruth Ann and he is chairman and her as vice chairman. Jerry talked to Ron Halicka about using the storage. He will donate the use of that shack. Free of charge \$25/month as a donation. It will be open for our use. We also have the use of the Landing area for parking. Dennis Burg, member of Medford Water Commission offered to have MWC check out the existing water lines. They will flag where the water lines are. Butte Falls Discovery Loop now includes the railroad on the brochures. Grant Writing Roundtable is set for 4/29. Mick will forward this information to Janet Dock who is experienced in grant writing.
 - f. Excess Sales. None
6. Old Business:
- **Motorcar cover:** Ken has it in the barn and it looks fairly simple but we need to pick up 4 pier blocks, more sealing tape and glass glue and some other supplies. Ric suggested that we tackle it on a free weekend just after a run day. We need a couple of orchard ladders. One weekend day between last run day in June to first run day in July. Ken will bring the plans with him to the next run day so we can see the details.
 - **DINING CAR ISSUES**—nothing has been done to it since. Ric will get a hard quote together this week and we may have to add a few more dollars than the \$626 that is in the budget.
 - **MOVING CN MOTORCAR TO BUTTE FALLS FOR RESTORATION**
Ken and Mick are working on getting the motorcar onto a trailer and moved up to BF. We need to get in touch with Jeff Byrd and he should be able get it get it loaded.
7. Good of the Order:
- Eric Muller was here representing the Manor and will be supervising the Manor visit on 5/28.
- Alice Larry Mulally are ok with expanded use of the CB&Q.
- Grant opportunities are available through the National and Mick will see whether we have to have every member pay national dues.
8. New Member Applications: Eric Muller, Ian Dock and Kim Alters' applications were submitted and approved.
9. Meeting Adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

Next meeting will be May15, 2025 at 3:00 PM