

Southern Oregon Railway Historical Society
Membership and Board of Directors
Regular Meeting 3:00PM August 10, 2024
At the Medfab Conference Center
1109 Court St., Medford, OR

Entertainment: Amtrak in the later years (second try)

1. Meeting Called to order at 3:27 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Bruce Kelly, Allen Dobney, Ken Hill, Donna Hill, Ric Walch, Diane Guler, Rick Aubin, Denny Lensegrav, Leslie Lensegrav, Jerry Hellinga, and Mick Smith
3. Consent of the Agenda: The agenda was approved by consensus.
4. Approval of Minutes: Mick had sent out the minutes to the members and only one correction was needed. The minutes as corrected were approved
5. Treasurer's Report: Jerry Hellinga presented the Treasurer's report. Report was approved by the members present.
6. Committee Reports:
 - a. Medco 4: Nothing new to report
 - b. Burger Shack: Mick will be able to help out tomorrow and we will need to set it up at 9 am. Ric wondered if we could try something else for staffing. Jerry said our net for last year was \$4000. Jerry and Leslie said that we could rotate staff through the Burger Shack. Phil is willing to buy supplies and cook. Donovan is doing a good job with the cash/checkout. We need more people on all levels. Russ said he would be able to help in the Burger Shack.

Ric and Bruce mentioned that we may need to split the groups up in the park. In the meantime, we want to get the groups to allow their members to help out other groups. The board of governors will have a quarterly meeting in which 2 representatives from each club, Ken

and Bruce are our reps. Chairmanship rotates each year and live steamers are in charge and our group will be in charge. At that next meeting of that board needs to discuss the need to shift of members between groups. Bruce said that he will move forward with getting that group to allow each member to work in any other group when needed. We need a minimum of 9 people to fully staff.

The garden club has the biggest pool of people, and they had their Mall opening last year and will do it again this year.

We had high dues before because we had to have national memberships (\$55)

We need a minimum of 3 to operate the motor car. Ric can fill in for someone on the motorcar.

- c. Newsletter: Chris is working on the latest newsletter.
- d. Website: Allen did not have anything to report (see good of the order)
- e. Butte Falls: Ric reported that right now the issue is the definition of permanent structure. Jerry offered that we might be able to get a conditional use permit for the buildings and the rail installation. There are already permanent structures in the area. Ric will visit the county building department and report the result of that conversation at the next meeting.
- f. Excess Sales: Allen reported that there was \$1400 made last month in slide sales
- g. RR Park: nothing new
- h. RR Show: it is going forward at the Padgham Pavilion and adjacent building. It is by invite only and the traffic flow will be one way and wrist band will be provided. The Model RR club is organizing this year's event.

7. Old Business: Bruce said that he having trouble getting to meetings, but he now can keep running the meetings. Shelter for motorcar: Ken wants to hold off until we figure out what need to get a permit. The online regulations said 200 square feet. Ric will go down to the building department and be sure of whether or not we need a permit.

Ken said he will order the 12x20 and then cut off the extra 5 feet. Jerry mentioned the parks dept should be advised of our intentions for the 12x20 cover and that that dept may be able to obtain a permit for us.

Ken will wait until there is clarification about whether a permit is required.

8. New Business: None

9. Good of the Order: Allen said that he can't be involved with eBay sales and website maintenance after the end of the year. This will be his last meeting. He has all the website and password information in Cd's that he gave to Mick. He will do updates on the website for the remainder of the year. He will stop attending JCHS meetings at the end of the year. He also has 30 boxes of books and glass insulators. Allen will deliver these things to the railroad show. Jerry announced that he will be giving up the treasurer's position at the end of the year as well. The records are currently kept on QuickBooks and the new treasurer will need to obtain a subscription if he/she is going to use QuickBooks.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Next meeting will be September 7, 2024, at 3:00PM