

# FRIENDS OF THE NEVADA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM

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## VIRGINIA AND TRUCKEE DIVISION

P.O. Box 1330  
Carson City, Nevada 89702



MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 13, 2023  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
FRIENDS OF THE NEVADA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM  
NEVADA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM, CARSON CITY

**Call to order** - Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

**Roll Call** – Trustees present were Bill Barbe, Rick Kohler, Rebecca Bevans, Ron Allen, Rick Bieniek, Dave Squire and Todd Moore. Michael McClain was absent but excused. Nancy Deis was absent but excused. A quorum was established. Representing the museum were Dan Thielen and Adam Michalski.

Minutes of the December 5, 2022 regular meeting were approved after a motion to approve was made by Bill Barbe, second by Rebecca Bevins and passed by the trustees.

**Correspondence** –

**Treasurer's report** – See attached report. Motion to approve made by Rebecca Bevins, seconded by Rick Kohler. Motion passed. Rick Bieniek reported Quick Books is installed and operating. Rick Bieniek also reported the Friends' laptop needs to be replaced. Laptop is running Vista which is no longer supported. Rick Bieniek also requested the Friends purchase a printer for the Treasure's reports. Cost of new laptop and printer is approximately \$1,100. A motion was made by Dave Squire and seconded by Rebecca Bevins to budget \$1,100 for the purchase of a new computer and printer by Rick Bieniek. Following discussion, the motion was passed by vote of the trustees.

**President's Report:** Todd reported that Nancy Deis had tendered her resignation from the board of trustees of the Friends. Todd proposed Gary O'Leary be appointed to replace Nancy Dies. Rick Bieniek moved the appointment be made. Bill Barbe seconded the motion. Todd Moore offered the position to Gary O'Leary and the offer was accepted.

## **OLD BUSINESS –**

**Audit committee-** No Report

**Bricks –** No Report

### **Events Committee –**

Rebecca Bevins reported on the “Visit Carson City” – Mark Twain event on April 22. Discussed steam train rides later in the day to approximately 7PM. The 2022 Events budget was reviewed and after some minor editing was brought forward as the 2023 Events budget. The budget is for Easter, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Harvest Train and Santa Train. The budget amount set was \$16,100. A motion was made by Rick Bieniek and seconded by Rebecca Bevins that the \$16,000 be approved. The motion was passed by vote of the trustees.

Dave Squire reported on the Great Western Motorcar Roundup tentatively scheduled for Labor Day Weekend 2024. Dave presented photos of a few of the motorcars proposed to be invited to the event.

Dave Squire reported on Motor Car Camp similar to Rail Camp. Motor Car Camp would be run the weekend after Labor Day 2023. A beta test for the Rail Camp is scheduled for May 6&7 2023

**Rail Camp-** No Report

### **Fund Raising-**

Bill Barbe reported the funds raised in this years campaign was low in comparison to last year. There was not a lot of “Bang for the Buck” considering the costs involved with the outreach.

**V&T 150/Great Western Steam Up –** No Report

**Capital Campaign Committee-** No Report

**Interpretive Committee –** No Report

**Bylaw Committee -** No Report

**Membership Committee –** As of the end of the year there are 615 memberships and 914 members. Transition to Wild Apricot has been made. Susan Allen turned over a box of membership records to Todd Moore. No other report at this time

**Motor Car Operations-** No Report

**Steam Train Operations-** No Report

**Sagebrush Headlight-** Adam Michalski reported that the latest issue is currently at the printer awaiting his pickup and it will be sent out February 15, 2023.

**Website -** No Report

**Youth Committee –** No Report

**Other Old Business-** None

**New Business-**

Madelyn Pecorino presented a copy of Wise Buy Magazine (a local advertising booklet) suggesting the Friends could purchase advertising space for special events and solicit new volunteers. Madelyn also discussed having the friends set up an EBay account to assist the museum store in selling books and specialty items at no cost to the friends. Dave Squire moved the Friends set up an EBay account to assist with the sales, Ron Allen seconded the motion, The motion was voted on and passed by the trustees.

Rick Bieniek is building the cab for the Lion in his home shop. Rick's estimate for shop consumables is \$1500. Rick requests reimbursement from the Re-Steam account for consumables. Dave Squire moved \$1500 reimbursement be approved for consumables. Ron Allen seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed by the trustees.

Sam Flackus discussed soliciting Carson City to assist in completion of the Lion Project by sponsoring specific parts of for the engine.

Bill Barbe reported the donation of \$1,000 from Greater Nevada Credit Union in the name of Rick Kohler in recognition of his volunteer efforts with the Friends.

Darrell Vincent introduced himself as a new volunteer active in the local railroad community, both full scale and HO model scale. Darrell offered to make a \$400.00 donation in return for the scale model V&T engine house currently stored in the Nelson House. The offer was accepted.

**GENERAL COMMENTS –**

None

**ADJOURNMENT-**

Respectfully Submitted,

*Gary O'Leary*

Gary O'Leary, Secretary

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Effective February 13, 2023

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All terms expire in December.  
Terms are three (3) years in length.  
Trustees are allowed to serve three (3) consecutive terms.