

FRIENDS OF THE NEVADA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM

VIRGINIA AND TRUCKEE DIVISION

P.O. Box 1330
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MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 20, 2006
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
NEVADA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM
CARSON CITY, NEVADA

Call to Order – Ron Allen called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Role Call – Ron Allen, Jerry Hoover, Bill Kohler, Geoff Brunner, Russ Tanner, Mike Dunn, Stan Cronwall, and Kurt Dietrich were present. Bob Pence was absent and excused. A quorum was established.

Minutes – Kurt Dietrich emailed the minutes of the August 8, 2006 meeting to the Board. A motion to accept the Minutes was made by Russ Tanner, seconded by Geoff Brunner. Motion passed.

Correspondence – No Report.

Treasurer's Report – Jerry Hoover reported funds as follows:

\$11,914.69– Checking

\$4,477.51 – Money Market

\$440.78 – Pay Pal

\$0.00 - Bankcard

Jerry Hoover presented a report outlining funding amounts disbursed to the NSRM from October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2006. The total funds amounted to \$30,966.63.

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report by Bill Kohler, seconded by Kurt Dietrich. Motion passed.

Nancy Humphries requested that the treasurer's report be published in the next Sagebrush Headlight. A gentleman from the audience concurred.

Old Business and Standing Committee Reports

Operations – Barry Simcoe, Steam Crew Chief, stated that operations are going well. Barry reminded the membership that he may be contacted at any time by email and that the schedule is posted on the internet.

Promotions and Publicity – Ron Allen stated that the NSRM will host its first Halloween Train and encouraged the membership to attend. Ron also stated that on Nevada Day, the NSRM will offer train rides and the “Inyo” will be the Grand Marshall during the parade. Lee Hobold and Governor Kenny Guinn will accompany the “Inyo.”

Bricks – Ron Allen thanked Jack Gibson for many years of overseeing the brick program. Ron Allen announced to the membership that Laning Clifford will now oversee bricks. The Friends recently replaced 18 damaged bricks.

Upcoming Events – No Report.

Symposium – Ron Allen stated that this year’s symposium is the largest ever. John Schilling thanked Frank Ackerman for his hard work.

Fundraising – Ron Allen stated that the \$10,000 *Train Magazine* preservation grant was awarded to the Friends. There will be a presentation ceremony shortly in Sacramento.

Membership – Alice Walker not present. The Board extended thanks to Stan Cronwall for his hard work in the membership committee.

Newsletter – Ron Allen stated that the Sagebrush Headlight is a quarterly publication done by the NSRM.

A gentleman in the audience asked if we could include advertising in the newsletter to generate additional revenue. Peter Barton stated that the publication is paid for by the State of Nevada and therefore advertising was not permitted.

A member of the audience made a comment that the photos in the last newsletter were fairly dark. Mike Dunn stated that there were no problems in the proof; however, the problems became apparent in the final printing.

Geoff Brunner solicited for material for future publications.

Special Reports – Kurt Dietrich presented a report of accomplishments made by the Friends during the past year.

Museum Funding – No Report.

Interpretive Committee – Ron Allen stated some of the accomplishments of this committee during the past year. Accomplishments include work on the Nelson House, Wabuska Depot, etc.

Finance Committee – No Report. Ron Allen stated that is committee is dormant at this time.

Elections – Nancy Humphries stated that the election process yielded a 25% ballot return rate. Kurt Dietrich accepted the ballots for archive.

Bill Kohler returns to serve for a third term.

Stan Cronwall returns to serve for a second term.

Jerry Barth was elected for a first term, replacing Bob Pence.

New Business – None.

Board Comments – Bill Kohler encouraged the audience to become members of the Friends, if they are not already. Ron Allen added that the membership dues generate much of the Friend’s funding.

General Comments – A comment was made that a Pubic Address system be implemented for the next annual meeting. Many of the members had difficulty hearing the meeting.

A comment was made that the Friends website has outdated material. Geoff Brunner stated that if anyone sees anything that is in need of correction to contact him.

Adjournment – Russ Tanner made a motion for adjournment. Geoff Brunner seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 6:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kurt M. Dietrich". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "K".

Kurt M. Dietrich, Secretary