FRIENDS OF THE NEVADA STATE RAILROAD

VIRGINIA AND TRUCKEE DIVISION

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> MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 2, 2023 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING NEVADA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM JACOBSEN INTERPRETIVE CENTER

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

Roll Call – Trustees present were Todd Moore, Michael McClain, Rick Kohler, Bill Barbe, Dave Squire, Ron Allen, Rick Bieniek and Rebecca Bevans. Gary O'Leary attended via telephone. A quorum was established. Representing the museum was Adam Michalski.

Minutes of the August 7, 2023 regular meeting were approved. Motion to approve made by Bill Barbe, second by Rick Bieniek.

Correspondence – None

Treasurer's report – See attached report. Motion to approve was made by Gary O'Leary, second by Rebecca Bevans. Motion passed.

Todd Moore recommended that various CD deposit strategies be explored. Rick Bieniek will investigate possibilities and report back.

Reimbursement requests – Todd Moore reported that there will be an expenditure of \$2000 for Harvest Train advertising. A motion was made by Bill Barbe, second by Rick Kohler that these funds be approved. Motion passed.

Todd Moore requested the board approve \$328.80 for expenses he incurred for the Dan Thielen farewell dinner. Motion was made by Rebecca Bevans, second by Gary O'Leary that this request be approved. Motion passed.

President's report – Todd Moore announced that Mark Amodei donated \$15,000 to reimburse the Friends for Great Western Steam Up expenses.

Todd also announced that today, October 2, was the first day that Dan Thielen assumed his new position as Museum Administrator.

OLD BUSINESS –

-Administration- No report.

-Elections –

Nancy Humphries reported that Todd Moore, Michael McClain and Jennifer Satalick were elected to the board. There being only three candidates for the three board positions they were elected by acclamation.

Fund Raising –

Bill Barbe requested guidance regarding the fall donation drive. The board decided that November 1 would be the kick off date.

Michael McClain suggested that the Friends consider targeted fund raising that would focus on a particular project.

-Events Committee -

Jen Satalick reported on vendor participation that is anticipated for Harvest Train and said that volunteers will be needed to assist with the event.

Rebecca Bevans reported that the Friends have an entry in the Nevada Day Parade. She also requested that the Friends solicit donations for the annual Santa Train raffle.

Great Western Railcar Roundup - Dave Squire suggested naming the event Great Western Railroad Roundup. Further discussion will be held before the name is finalized. Todd Moore recommended that the Friends offer funds to reimburse the cost of transporting visiting equipment. A motion was made to explore expenditures by Dave Squire, seconded by Rick Bieniek. Motion carried.

Motor Car Camp – Dave Squire reported that five of the eight participants had to cancel due to Covid concerns. It was decided to refund their enrollment fees. The camp still covered expenses but showed little profit.

Iron Horse Rail Camp – Bill Kohler reported that three people have signed up and he will start advertising the camp. Adam Michalski said he will start social media announcements. Camp brochures will be distributed during upcoming events and, if needed, will be reordered. Michal McClain reported that we are still awaiting finalization of the trademark.

-Membership-

See attached report.

Ron Allen suggested that the membership cards spell out Friends of the Nevada State Railroad Museum instead of just the organization's initials. He also requested that the cards reflect charter members. Michael McClain said he would address these concerns and also will generate instructions on how to access membership information that will be include in a future issue of the Museum Missive.

-Museum Missive-

Dave Squire reports that he has received favorable feedback on the Missive.

-Sagebrush Headlight-

Adam Michalski reported that an issue is currently being printed. Discussion was held regarding the content of the publication. It was suggested that the Missive should contain museum and Friends related content and the Sagebrush Headlight should focus on more historical content.

-Other Old Business-

None.

-New Business-

None.

GENERAL COMMENTS –

Bill Barbe announced that there will be a Beebe/Clegg related program at the museum on Thursday, October 5. He also reported that there will be a preview of railroad models from the John Frink collection on Wednesday, October 4 at the museum. This will give Friends members the chance to acquire these items before they go on sale to the general public.

ADJOURNMENT- 7:32 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Kohler for Gary O'Leary