

# PACIFIC COAST REGION OF THE NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

## ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, May 4, 2014 Daylight Room, Sands Inn & Suites 1930 Monterey Street, San Luis Obispo, CA PCR 2014 Convention "Coast Rails 2014"

## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by President Pat LaTorres.

## A. QUORUM VERIFICATION

Acting Secretary Dave Grenier verified that a quorum was present. There were 38 PCR members in attendance, which is greater than the required 35.

### **B. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

It was moved that the minutes of the previous Annual Business Meeting be approved. The motion was seconded and the motion approved on a voice vote.

## C. OFFICER'S COMMENTS

- C.1. President Pat LaTorres stated that it had been a good year, with 4 PCR members earning the title of Master Model Railroader. He also thanked the members of the Coast Rails 2014 committee, saying "You did good!"
- C.2. Vice-President Ed Merrin stated that it was good to be with everyone and share railroad interests.
- C.3. President Pat LaTorres said the PCR was in good health financially, however running a slight deficit due to the expenses of producing the Branch Line newsletter. (Treasurer Larry Altbaum was not present.) Since last year's meeting, a committee was formed to get the Branch Line costs and income in balance. As a result, the Branch Line subscription rate was raised from \$6.00 to \$8.00, still one of the lowest in the NMRA.
- C.4. Secretary Lisa Gorrell was absent. Acting Secretary Dave Grenier read the highlights of the Board of Directors Meeting held April 30, 2014. Those highlights are attached separately.

### **D. NMRA OFFICERS' COMMENTS**

None were in attendance.

**E. MEMBER COMMENTS (comments regarding matters not on the agenda)** No Comments.

### F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business.

#### G. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

#### **H. CONVENTIONS**

- H.1. Comments regarding this convention: Convention Chairman Paul Deis noted that the convention went well.
- H.2. Registrar Doug Wagner reported that there were 209 total registrants, including day fares, 10-20 out-of-region registrations, and 5 no-shows.
- H.3. The 2015 convention will be in Newark, CA, May 13-17, at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel. The 2016 convention is being planned for Sacramento. The 2017 convention may be a joint convention with our neighbors to the south, the Pacific Southwest Region. There is no commitment at this time. Darrell Dennis volunteered to be on the committee.

#### I. Announcements

I.1. The next Annual Business Meeting will be at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel in Newark, CA, on Sunday, May 17, 2015.

#### J. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded that we adjourn. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 9:19 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Grenier Acting PCR Secretary