

NMRA Mid-Central Region Division 9
Minutes
October 13, 2007

The business meeting of Division 9 was held at WV Hobbies & Crafts.

The meeting was called to order by Superintendent Lin Young at 2:00 PM. Those present were.

Clerk report: The minutes of the September meeting were read and approved. Our cash balance had a net increase of \$5.42

Asst. Super Report: Much of the web traffic on the Div 9 site is from non-member visits. The newsletter has been well received and will be featured in Scale Rails in the future.

Achievement Program: Ed Keith presented announced that Bob W had fulfilled all the requirements for Master Model Railroader. He also presented Lin with the certificate for Association Volunteer.

Lin thanked Greg McCartney for his fine work on our newsletter *Up The Holler*.

Old Business:

We continued our discussion of Division 9 shirts. Bob there was a lack of consensus on shirt color. Lin suggested that we simply allow individual members to pick their own colors and an appropriate color for the emblem. He also mentioned the idea of taking pre-made NMRA shirts and adding the Div 9 logo in another location.

New Business:

Advisory Committee – According to our bylaws we need an advisory committee. It will be composed of former officers, committee chairs, and other members. Lin expressed that current officers should not be members. The question of the need for such a committee was raised. No action was taken, Lin asked that members think about this for our next meeting.

Nominating committee – Members will be appointed at the November meeting, election will be held in May 2008.

Membership Chairman – We need a membership chairman. It will be a job that requires some time. This person would contact members who have dropped out and persuade them to rejoin. Shelby Wellman volunteered to be membership chair.

Announcements: Dan Gross discussed his experience running the Nickel Plate 765. He was able to run it for a short time as part of the group's annual activities at Fort Wayne, IN. The cost was \$100. Fort Wayne is about 4 hours from Wheelersburg and there is a place nearby with great home made pies. Anthony Parrish also got to run 765 the same weekend.

Shelby Young updated his rock casting techniques GE XST Silocone Calk works well.

Future Meetings

November 3 at the St. Albans Depot. The clinic will be a discussion of the Achievement Program by Bob Weinheimer.

December 8 – Tentative location WV Hobbies & Crafts with a Christmas meeting at Rio Grande afterwards.

Other events

Div 7 Lakota show Nov 28 & 29.

November 3 Parkersburg Show at WVUP

November 10 & 11 Bluefield Show.

Contest Open Loads -

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.

Jim Rollwage gave a presentation on planning his Union Pacific layout.

Respectfully submitted, Bob Weinheimer, NMRA MCR Division 9 Assistant Superintendent