

**NMRA Mid-Central Region Division 9
Minutes
February 8, 2008**

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

The meeting was called to order by Superintendent Lin Young 2:00 PM. Those present were Lin Young, Bob Weinheimer, Jerry Doyle, Greg McCartney, Anthony Parish, Jim Heilman, Shelby Young, .

Attendees introduced themselves.

Clerk Report: Cash balance has increased by \$32. Our WV charitable status is currently in the works.

Superintendent:

Asst Super Report: Dwight Sherman is out of the hospital and doing much better. MCR convention, over 100 members have already signed up. Currently three Div 9 members are planning on attending. Carpooling arrangements were discussed for the combined Division 7 and 3 meeting in Miamisburg, OH. Two layouts will be on tour, one will be the Virginian & Ohio. In Feb we had 2300 hits on the Div 9 website.

Elections Chair: Votes are still arriving and being counted. They are due by March 31.

Membership Chairman: Shelby reminded everyone to check their NMRA memberships for expiration. Club announcements were sent to the Charleston paper. The chairman would like the Division to purchase a ream of paper to produce flyers. Setting up tables for upcoming shows was discussed. The BSA merit badge program was also discussed.

Achievement Program: Lin Young has been approved for AP scenery, Gary Burdette was approved for structures. Jerry Doyle was presented with the AP certificate for Model Railroad Author.

Editor Report: There is an issue with Adobe and using the current edition accessing the online newsletter. The next issue's deadline of April 1 is approaching and articles are needed. Distribution should be mid-April.

Old Business:

Greg McCartney presented certificates for past contest winner.

New Business:

Greg asked about shirts with Division 9 logos. The possibility of Division 9 hosting the 2010 MCR convention. A major issue would be available manpower without help from other divisions. Lin and Bob will be looking at the Ramada Inn in South Charleston as a possible convention location in the coming week.

Announcements:

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Future Meetings

April 5 – WV Hobbies & Crafts, Contest Passenger Cars, Clinic “Switch machine installation” by Mark Maynard.

May 10 – WV Hobbies & Crafts, Contest Steam Locomotives, Clinic “Scenery Techniques” by John Harris.

Other events

Contest Freight Cars: Members discussed their contest entries and the various methods to build them. Winner ? by ? .

Raffle ticket sales totaled \$20.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.

Bob Weinheimer and Greg McCartney gave a clinic on operations.

Respectfully submitted, Jerry Doyle, NMRA MCR Division 9 Clerk.