

NMRA Mid-Central Region Division 9
Minutes
February 7, 2009

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

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

Attendees introduced themselves.

Clerk Report: Minutes were read by Clerk Jerry Doyle. Cash balance is approx \$1025. Minutes were approved. Treasurer's report approved.

Assistant Superintendent: We have received an offer to have a table for membership promotion at the CP Huntington Railroad Club train show April 3 -5 in Dunbar, WV. We have participated in this show the past the past two years and I recommend we do so this year as well. I'll pass the paperwork to Shelby Young for further action.

Webmaster

No report.

Membership Chairman: Shelby distributed six-month membership applications. They allow people to join for a trial period of six months at a reduced rate.

Achievement Program: Bob reported that Gary Burdette had several cars judged for his rolling stock certificate. Bob expects that Gary will likely be the next MMR. He also announced that the COHS is resurrecting the Basement Subdivision in their magazine. Anthony Parrish and Dan Mulhern have done most of the work required for their Chief Dispatcher certificate. Lin took time to explain the MMR program to new members.

Newsletter: Greg was absent. Lin encouraged members to visit our website to check out the newsletter.

2010 Convention: Bob reported the fee of \$60/70 seems reasonable. There will also be a single-day registration price. Our next challenge is to develop a time budget for the labor requirements for the convention. Several functions will need constant staffing. We need to avoid members getting stuck with a job for the entire day. Bob also reiterated all members will need to register for the convention. If members begin saving \$1 per week they will have enough to pay their registration fee by the time of the convention. One of the biggest expense items will potentially be the cost of award plaques. Our plan is to make the plaques ourselves at 25% of the cost of the plaques we have seen elsewhere. The 2009 convention is getting closer, member need to keep the weekend clear in 2010 for our convention. Ed Keith asked if we should wait to contact other divisions about helping with additional staffing.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Announcements:

February 21 Mid-Ohio Valley Model RR Club open house.

February 21, 22 COHS train show in Clifton Forge, VA.

March 21 there will be a Jamboree in Pittsburgh.

April 30 - May 3 MCR Convention Columbus, Ohio. There is an early registration of \$60 available.

Contest Diesel Locomotives

Future Meetings

March 14

Clinic Gary Burdette Scratchbuilding

April 18

Clinic Mark Maynard Car Repair

May 9

Clinic Joe Fugate Quality of the Run

June 13

Clinic John Harris Turnout Indicators

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