

**NMRA Mid-Central Region Division 9  
Minutes  
December 12, 2009**

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.

Attendees introduced themselves.

Those attending

**Clerk Report:** Minutes for the November meeting were read and approved.

**Super Report:** Lin discussed the nomination and election process for the upcoming election. Nominations will begin in January and ballots will be distributed in February. The term will begin at the end of the region meeting. There is not total agreement between the region and division rules as to the exact beginning/end of terms.

**Assistant Superintendent:**

**Webmaster**

4400 hits in November. The holiday season is a likely reason.

**Membership Chairman:** John Harris has agreed to serve as the new membership chairman.

**Achievement Program:** We are still waiting on some information on Gary's application. Bob asked that those having models judged bring all the necessary paperwork when they have their models judged. He also mentioned that the judge guidelines are also posted on the website. He recommended using these as a guide when writing up models to be judged.

**Newsletter:** For the near future we will have a simple publication. Dan asked for short features on things such as new model reviews. December 25 is the deadline for the next issue.

**2010 Convention:** Bob mentioned shirts. The future batches of shirts will likely be more expensive than the current \$20 price. We are up to 45 registrations. This is about 1/3 of the required booking at the hotel. The convention will likely cost \$17,000 in total. Registrations have slowed but the Kingpin will arrive early in January. We expect a significant amount of registrations after this is out. We have 55 room-nights booked currently. We have a significant amount of participation in clinics. The tours are booking well as are the operating sessions. The hospitality room will be manned by Clint Foster and his wife. We have a good slate of layouts for the Sunday tours also. Bob discussed contests, raffle, silent auction, company store, banquet. Our speaker for the banquet will be Tom Dixon, founder and long-time president of the C&O Historical Society. Bob, Gary, Jerry will be making visits to various division meetings in the coming months promoting the 2010 convention. John Harris added that any layouts not included in the program are still welcome and encouraged.

**Nominating committee:** Bill Wadsworth said we need names for Super and Asst. We will also take nominations from the floor in January.

**Clinic Chair:** Dan will be contacting members for clinics. .

Contest: Member's choice.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

**Announcements:**

Ed Keith mentioned Cowen Railroad Days at the end of July.

Future Meetings

July 11 Lin Young's House  
Clinic Grafton & Greenbrier Operations

August 8 WV Hobbies & Crafts  
Clinic Dan George – Pocahontas Lumber Co

September 12 Mark Maynard's  
Clinic TBA

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