

NMRA Mid-Central Region Division 9
Minutes
March 13, 2010

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

The meeting was called to order by Asst. Superintendent Bob Weinheimer at 2:00 PM.

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

Super Report: Alan Pollock will be resigning as of the national convention in Milwaukee. There is an effort to digitize the Kalmbach Library images and other things. This is funded by the Diamond Fund. Three cities are vying for the 2014 National Convention. Calgary, Cleveland, and another that Bob couldn't remember. The standards and conformance committee is developing large-scale standards. White River Publishing was awarded a three-year contract for Scale Rails. New members receive a note from the MCR, Bob discussed doing something at the Division level.

Assistant Superintendent:

Convention Update:

The numbers are tracking well. We have 165 total primary and family registrants. We have enough banquet registrations to utilize a second room for the banquet. Bob showed the lanyards from Digitrax and also showed the tickets and badges he developed based on the badge holders. We have an April 1 deadline to produce the program for the convention. Scheduling clinicians has been difficult. Microtrains has sent 16 cars, Rapido 3, we also received NYC books from the NYC Historical Society. Bob distributed a manning schedule for the convention and asked members to sign up for open slots. Next month we will meet at our convention site. We will try to run the contest to simulate the actual event the following month. Next month's contest will be passenger cars and Bob asked members to bring as many as possible. Shirts will be available at the April meeting.

Webmaster - Traffic was 2600 for March. After convention materials layout pictures are the most popular.

Membership Chairman: John Harris reported on the Collis P. Huntington Chapter NRHS in April and distributed a sign-in sheet for all three days. John mentioned the need for directions to tour layouts. He also gave details on the tour guide that will be supplied for convention attendees.

Achievement Program: Dan Mulhern was approved for Association Volunteer. Gary is still working on the Prototype Scene certificate.

Newsletter: Dan is still looking for articles such as biographies, reviews, and layout features.

Nominating committee: Bill Wadsworth stated we received 28 votes all for Bob and Gary for Supt. And Asst. Supt. A motion was approved to ratify the election.

Clinic Chair: Dan will be contacting members for clinics.

Contest: Steam Locomotive.

Clinic: C&O First Generation Diesels by Jerry Doyle.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Announcements: Dan updated members on Charlie Venables. He is still recuperating from problems with his foot.

The RR Prototype Modelers will meet in Philadelphia in March.

Greenbo March 19, 20, and 21st.

Hawks Nest SACOM meeting in March 26.

Future Meetings:

April 10 Embassy Suites. Clinic Convention Operations

May 8 WV Hobbies & Crafts

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