

NMRA MCR DIVISION 9
THE COAL DIVISION
Minutes
July 10, 2010

The business meeting of Division 9 was held at Lin Young's home in Gallipolis, Ohio.

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

Introductions were dispensed with in the interest of time. Bob recognized the Strogens visiting from Division 2.

Thanks to Lin and Bev for hosting us today.

Division Clerk Report

Minutes – motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes was made and seconded.

Treasury – we have about \$8,600 on hand. We were assessed a \$7 service charge for activity. Bob reported we have found an additional \$100 owed for the convention.

Superintendent Report

National: Diamond Club Donations close to goal, will digitize library holdings.

Appointment of new VP by Board, we are still awaiting word on this.

Bob reported on the educational resources for the Division. Gary Burdette is taking responsibility for this.

Membership directory: delayed until due to the recent takeover of Verizon in WV by Frontier. Many members' emails will change due to this so Bob decided to wait. Bob asked that members note new email addresses on the attendance sheet or by via email to Dan, John, or Bob. Once those changes are all in noted, we will issue another list.

Assistant Superintendent Report

Bob, Jerry, and Gary traveled to Parkersburg to judge Dave Stout and Paul LaPointe's layouts. Gary made Chessie System IBM cards available to members as memorabilia or construction material. Gary discussed the Cairo and Kanawha and some interesting items he found using the NMRA index. Regarding our educational resources Gary shared several ideas. He showed the WV Museum of Culture and History as a potential template that we could use as an educational resource for the Division. Gary showed some booklets he created as another potential educational resource.

Webmaster

After the convention traffic is down substantially.

Achievement Program

Following people have submitted their paperwork:

Ron Blessing Scenery

Dave Stout Scenery

Paul Lapointe Electrical Engineer

Nominations Chair

No report

Membership Chair

We are up to 64 members. We have three new members this month from the convention. We are going to begin a “bring a friend” campaign to encourage new membership.

“Up The Holler” Editor Report

The newsletter is “coming along.” Dan mentioned a few recent contributions and asked members to please contribute more. We received very positive feedback from Randy Kerka, Division 7 Superintendent.

Old Business

John Harris mentioned we still have coal loads available. We also have a few shirts remaining from the convention.

New Business

Announcements

Next Meetings

Date: August 14

Location: West Virginia Hobbies and Crafts, Teays Valley, WV

Date: September 11

Location: Mark Maynard’s home, Portsmouth, OH

Date: October Coal Division Meeting

Location: West Virginia Hobbies and Crafts, Teays Valley, WV

Date: November 13

Location: Bluefield, WV

Date: December 11

Location: West Virginia Hobbies and Crafts, Teays Valley, WV

Contest

Off Line Structures

Clinic

Operations on the Grafton and Greenbrier.