

NMRA DIVISION 9

Meeting Minutes, February 12, 2011

Welcome and Introduction: Division Superintendent Bob Weinheimer called the meeting to order at 2:00PM at West Virginia Hobby & Craft, Teays Valley. Members present introduced themselves.

Division Clerk Report: The minutes of the January meeting as published in the newsletter were approved on a motion by Nathan Robinette, seconded and passed. In the absence of the Division Clerk there was no treasury report.

Superintendent's Report: Bob mentioned that the zip code for the election ballot as published in *The Kingpin* was incorrect. This is the ballot for the Mid Central Region election. It was noted that the correct zip code had been published in our newsletter.

There was a call for a volunteer to chair a group to help build a small layout for kids in conjunction with Sherry at Nitro Hobby. Bob asked for possible volunteers to give this some consideration.

Bob Weinheimer, Lin Young and Dan Kennedy attended the January 29th memorial for Dean Freytag.

Registration for the MCR convention is coming along with about 120 signed up so far. It was suggested to get your registration and room reservations done sooner rather than later.

There is a new effort underway to update NMRA Data Sheets. These will be available shortly in a new part of the nmra.org web site which will be for members only. Committees of subject matter experts are being formed to update specific data sheets.

Assistant Superintendent's Report: Gary spoke on his continuing efforts regarding our Education Program. He is currently developing plans for "3D" Education displays as well as on line material. It was suggested to do one day "shows" in appropriate venues. Gary invites all to get involved.

Webmaster: The "hits" continue to grow. Most viewers look at layout photos.

Achievement Program: Dan Kennedy's layout was judged for scenery; all he has to do is write it up. As noted in the newsletter Dan is close on structures and cars. We even have him thinking about motive power. Keep an eye on Dan, we can see him as an MMR in the not too distant future.

Nominations: No report.

Membership Chair: John Harris reports to new Division 9 members, one of whom, Mike Reynolds was present at the meeting. John mentioned the need for volunteers for the Dunbar Show booth.

Up The Holler Editor Report: Things seem to be proceeding apace. There is a need for submissions and "pike ad" fees are due.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Announcements: Member Dennis McGeeney has gone back to pushing an 18 wheeler and called in from the road to pass on his good wishes. Dave Stout announced that next Saturday, February 19th would be the date of the Parkersburg Club open house.

Next Meetings:

March 12 at Lin Young's G&G in Gallipolis, doors open at noon, meeting at 2PM followed by operations.

April 9 at West Virginia Hobbies & Crafts

May 14 at Dave Stout's home in Parkersburg. Dave will provide lunch. Paul Lapointe's layout will also be open to members.

June 11 at West Virginia Hobbies & Crafts

Contest: Diesel Locomotives

Clinic: Bob Weinheimer practiced the two clinics he is preparing for the MCR Convention

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Mulhearn, Acting Division Clerk