

NMRA MCR DIVISION 9
The Coal Division
Teays Valley, West Virginia
February 11, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Superintendent Bob Weinheimer at 2:00 PM. Those in attendance introduced themselves. We were visited by Andy Blenko and his son Charlie from MCR Division 2

On a motion by Bill Wadsworth, seconded and passed; the minutes of the January 2012 meeting as published in the newsletter were approved.

Bob Weinheimer's superintendents report mentioned several important topics. Everyone was reminded to look over the candidates for National NMRA office and get their ballots in. The upcoming MCR Convention in Pittsburgh was mentioned and Bob advised making room reservations promptly. Bob noted that the thick schedule normally printed in the **NMRA Magazine** for the upcoming Grand Rapids National Convention would not be forthcoming. All schedules are found on the Convention web site. Those without computer access may obtain a printed schedule from the NMRA.

Assistant Superintendent Gary Burdette continued his discussion of the educational aspects of our outreach to the public. Gary has a lot of good ideas about utilizing our web site to present railroading, both prototype and model to the general public

In the absence of Tony Puccinni there was no report on our Boy Scout outreach

Webmaster Bob W discussed the difficulty of categorizing the hits on our web site with our new ISP.

The AP is warming up with Dennis McGeeney getting his scenery certificate approved. David Robinette will be getting his Structure Certificate. Clint Foster had his scenery judged. Dennis McGeeney is working on getting in his hours for Chief Dispatcher. Dan Kennedy had his scratch built ATLAS transfer car judged and will soon have his scenery judged. Dan Mulhearn turned in his documentation for his Author Certificate.

Bill Wadsworth reported that ballots for the Division election have been mailed and are due no later than the March meeting.

Membership Chairman John Harris discussed the process by which we receive membership information from the National Office. John also discussed our participation in the upcoming Dunbar train show. Dennis McGeeney spoke on the upcoming Potomac Eagle excursion

Dan Mulhearn invited members to submit articles and input for the newsletter.

There was no old business discussed.

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Announcements were made regarding several upcoming train shows.

Due to the snowy weather and the forecast of more to come the raffle and the clinic were postponed.

The contest was diesel locomotives and the winner was Dan Kennedy's ATLAS transfer car

Again, due to the inclement weather, the meeting was foreshortened and adjourned at 2:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted:
Dan Mulhearn, acting Division Clerk