

NMRA MCR DIVISION 9
The Coal Division
Teays Valley, WV
December 8 2012

The meeting was called to order at 2:03PM by Superintendent Bob Weinheimer and an attendance sheet was circulated and completed.

Division Clerk Report: The minutes of the November 2012 Division meeting, as they appeared in the newsletter were accepted on a motion by Dennis McGeeney, seconded and approved. In the absence of Jerry Doyle there was no treasury report.

Superintendents Report: Bob spoke on the candidates for the NMRA World Wide Director office soon to be vacated by Tony Koester. The names mentioned, with a brief bit of information on each, were Mike Brestel, Larry Smith, Stan Ames and Leslie Eaton. Bob asked all members to make sure their email address with both National and the Division are current. The NMRA Gallery Exhibit program was brought up and discussed.

Asst. Superintendents Report: Gary spoke on his continuing efforts in the education and public outreach area, particularly with regard to opportunities presented by our move to the St Albans depot. He also mentioned the availability of shirts embroidered with the Division logo and some interesting web sites to visit.

Achievement Program: Tony Puccini earned Chief Dispatcher, Dan Kennedy has earned Scenery

Membership Chair: John Harris mentioned and greeted new members and thanked members for their kind comments on the Division display backdrop he had built.

Newsletter Chair: Dan mentioned that articles and feed back are needed and appreciated.

Clinic Chair: Today's clinic to be a visit to Dan Kennedy's layout, January will be Matt Crouch on the St Albans depot. Beyond that clinics are needed.

Old Business: none

New Business: none

Announcements: Nathan Robinette reported on his dad's continuing recovery efforts and told us he has an upbeat attitude. Jerry Doyle's mom is hospitalized with a bad infection and will be going to a halfway house prior to going home. Matt Crouch said that Scott Cyrus is looking for a home for his 4 X 20 HO modular steel mill complex. The Division presented Chuck Willey with a certificate of appreciation along with a gift certificate for Diehl's Restaurant in recognition of his support and hospitality.

Contest: category was modelers choice and the winner was Paul Lapointe's water tank.

Clinic: Bob Weinheimer gave a brief mini clinic on accessing the NMRA web site to donate to the Gallery Exhibit Program. This was followed by a visit to Dan Kennedy's home layout.