

NMRA MCR DIVISION 9
THE COAL DIVISION
“Steel is King”
Dave Stout’s House Parkersburg, WV
May 11, 2013
Minutes

Meeting Called to order at 1:47

Bob thanked Dave and Rhonda Stout for hosting the meeting today.

Members introduced themselves; we had several visitors from Division 2.

Superintendent Report

Bob reported that Mike Brestel was elected as an at-large world-wide director.

He also reported on his attendance to the Division 2 Jamboree, which is a one-day convention. The cost was only \$20 and was a good value. The national president gave a clinic and presentation. The July meeting will be a picnic at the St Albans depot. Bob asked members to bring items and the need for a grill to cook the hotdogs and hamburgers.

Division Clerk Report

Minutes from the April meeting approved as printed in the newsletter.

Treasury balance is currently \$8,710

Three checks were written in April and early May: \$140 to Matt Crouch for the N Scale display layout, \$208 to Bob Weinheimer for newsletter supplies, and the \$130 match to the NMRA.

Assistant Superintendent Report

Gary mentioned division shirts and mentioned the possibility of having patches made as well. He discussed the topic of in-person clinics in the form of hand-on learning and possible topics from the Michiana group. Gary showed some data on miscellaneous information that would be useful to current members. The use of QR codes to access the Division literature was suggested.

Membership Chair

John arrived just in time to report on costs of a vertical display (33x80) to be used at the St Albans depot. Other options are available from various sources. The one available through the NMRA is durable vinyl similar to a roll-up window shade. John will contact the producer and bring more information.

Achievement Program

Paul is getting close to be ready to be judged for scenery.

Newsletter Chair

Dan always welcomes comments, questions, and submissions.

Clinic Chair

Clinics are needed for our August and later meetings.

Travels with DennisThe Hocking Valley trip is June 8. We will have a tour of the shop area as well as the train ride. The trip will be on cabooses. Today is the deadline for signing up is today. We will be meeting at 11 a.m. A map will be in the next *Up the Holler*.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Announcements

On September 15 Division 2 is putting on an educational program. In addition there will be extensive layout tours. The Ohio River & Northern group is holding a public presentation in October with mini clinics.

Next Meetings

June 8	Nelsonville, OH	(No formal meeting, enjoy the train ride)
July 13	St. Albans Depot	(cook out starts at noon)
August 10	St Albans Depot	
September 14	Portsmouth OH	Mark Maynard's
October 12	St. Albans Depot	

There was no raffle at the meeting.

Adjourned 2:30

Respectfully Submitted

Jerry Doyle, MCR Division 9 Clerk