

# Mid-Continent Railway Historical Society, Inc.

## Minutes of the June 29<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting of the Board

June 29, 2013

MCRHS Office Building

Meeting called to order at 12 noon by president Bloohm.

Roll call showed 7 Directors present (Bloohm, Endres, O'Brien, Schumacher, Sorrel, Thomsen, and Wagner). Three Directors were absent (Anderson, Brist, and Joyce).

The next meeting will be on September 28, 2013 at 12 noon in the office building.

Motion by Thomsen, seconded by Schumacher to approve the agenda and allow the president to go out of order to efficiently conduct the meeting. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Endres to appoint Alan Doering to fill a vacant position term ending in 2014 and to appoint Rick Duresa to fill a vacant position term ending in 2015. Passed unanimously. (Doering and Duresa were not at the meeting.)

The minutes of the March 16, 2013 regular board meeting were approved as corrected. Corrections are to the spelling of Sorrel and at 1:26pm change to: Endres voting FOR and Thomsen voting AGAINST the motion.

Motion by Thomsen, seconded by O'Brien to affirm the email vote already taken to approve of the 2011-12 form 990 and of its preparation by Wegner LLP, CPA's. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Thomsen, seconded by Schumacher to accept the 2011-12 financial report and the management letter prepared by Wegner LLP, CPA's. Passed unanimously.

Written reports were given:

President/Interim Manager (The president is to talk with Richard Gruber and John Sorrel about track inspection), Don Meyer, Financial, 701 Committee (David Schumacher made a \$1,000.00 restricted donation to make the 701 look better cosmetically and to move it to the north end of coal track to be visible to the public when they arrive at MC), Dining Services, and the Restorations Department.

There was no report on the Milw Inspection Car except to mention we are getting inquiries.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Thomsen to approve the president's appointments to the Elections Committee of Kelly Bauman (Chair), Pete Deets, and Colin O'Brien. Passed unanimously.

Motion by O'Brien, seconded by Thomsen to approve the Vice President's appointment of Rick Thiele as Collections Manager. Passed unanimously.

Unfinished business:

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by O'Brien NOT to sell the Consumers 701. Passed with Wagner voting NO. (note-the offer to purchase was withdrawn, the Board wanted to make it clear the engine is not for sale)

Sauk County flood ordinance: No action taken. It is the consensus of the Director's present to wait until the president meets with the Sauk County Board Chairman and other county officials, then the Private Equipment Oversight Committee is to implement what the president and County Officials agreed on.

Membership upgrades – none.

New Business:

Motion by Sorrel, seconded by O'Brien to designate \$350.00 from Mother's Day tip money to the cars 440/2017 fund. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Sorrel, seconded by Thomsen to designate \$500.00 from spare coach seat sales to the Restorations Department fund. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Wagner to designate \$109.00 from the L&RHS tours to the Restorations Department fund. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Sorrel, seconded by Thomsen to authorize the president to renew the installment note (mortgage) at the Community First Bank, Baraboo, in the amount of \$99,600.34 @ 4.75% interest for a term of three years. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Thomsen, seconded by Endres to renew the Line of Credit at the Community First Bank, Baraboo, in the amount of \$75,000.00 @5% interest. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Thomsen, seconded by Wagner to turn down the first right of refusal on the Carl Pierce Soo Line caboose #99085. Passed unanimously.

The offer on the boxcar at North Lake was withdrawn by the car owner. It is the consensus of the Board not to use this type of car on our passenger train, as it is not what we are about or trying to portray.

Motion by Sorrel, seconded by Schumacher to adjourn at 1:05pm. Passed unanimously.

Guests at the meeting were: L. Rowe, R. Lichter, N. Miller, C. Ham, and R. Ristow.

Jeffrey B. Bloohm  
President and Recorder for this meeting.  
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