

Mid-Continent Railway Historical Society, Inc.
Minutes of the September 23, 2017 Regular Board of Directors Meeting

Date: September 23, 2017

Location: MCRHS Office Building

Roll Call:

Directors:

R. Anderson, Treasurer
K. Bauman, Secretary
R. Duresa
J. Huttenburg
G. Lavrenz – Absent
C. O'Brien
D. Schumacher, Vice President
A. Spinelli
K. Thomsen
R. Wagner

Other Officers:

J. Bloohm, President

Other Guests:

12:00 PM: Meeting is called to order by president Bloohm.

The annual meeting of the board will be held on December 9, 2017 at 12 noon in the MCRHS Office Building.

12:01 PM: D. Schumacher moves and R. Anderson seconds to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2017 regular meeting, and the September 9, 2017 emergency special meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Reports

The Financial Report was presented by President Bloohm.

The Managers Report was presented by President Bloohm.

Director Thomsen has raised a concern about continuing to run the 1256 with the current wheel wear situation.

Vice President Schumacher points out that the 1256 is under the Federal General Code which states a locomotive must be safe and suitable, which the General Foreman of Diesels says that the 1256 is through Snow Train 2018, however work will be required after that time.

It is the consensus of the board is that the president should contact the supervisor at the Columbia Generating Plant about the possibility of donating the locomotives in question, with the understanding that we would scrap them onsite, while keeping any usable parts that we may identify.

The president reports that ridership to date for September is up 322 people over the same time last year.

Don Meyer's report was presented.

12:23 PM: A. Spinelli moves and R. Anderson seconds to not put the older gazettes online at this time. Motion passed unanimously.

12:23 PM: K. Bauman moves and J. Huttenburg seconds to disallow moving of artifacts and other objects from the freight house to the office attic without the written approval of the president. Motion passed unanimously.

The Fund-Raising Committee report was presented by Director O'Brien.

The Election's Committee report was presented by Secretary Bauman.

The Dorcy Committee report was presented by President Bloohm.

Steam Readiness Committee report was presented by President Bloohm

The 1385 Taskforce Report was presented by Director Wagner.

The Baraboo River Bridge report was presented by Director Wagner.

New Business

1:19 PM: R. Wagner moves and C. O'Brien seconds to designate the wooden car tours tip money to the Restorations Department general use fund. Motion passed unanimously.

1:21 PM: C. O'Brien moves and D. Schumacher seconds to designate the \$500 from the Bon-Ton photo shoot to the Restorations Department general use fund. Motion passed unanimously.

1:24 PM: D. Schumacher moves and R. Duresa seconds to hire Wagner L.L.C. to perform the annual audit, and prepare the 2017 tax & 1099 returns. Motion passed unanimously

1:37 PM: R. Duresa moves and K. Bauman seconds to have all Mid-Continent members return any museum property that they may in their possession, unless they have specific permission from management, and further that this notice shall be published in the next two Steamers and the next two Gazettes. Motion passed unanimously.

1:39 PM: K. Bauman moves and D. Schumacher seconds to allow an email vote if it should become necessary to borrow additional funds, if the need arises before the next meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

1:40 PM: R. Duresa moves and K. Bauman seconds to have the manager restrict activities and expenditures from November to April to costs down. Motion passed unanimously.

1:43 PM: R. Duresa moves and R. Anderson seconds to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.