

Mid-Continent Railway Historical Society, Inc.
Minutes of the April 28, 2018 Regular Board of Directors Meeting

Date: April 28, 2018

Location: MCRHS Office Building

Roll Call:

Directors:

R. Anderson, Treasurer
K. Bauman, Secretary
R. Duresa as of 11:05AM
J. Huttenburg
R. Miller
C. O'Brien -- Absent
D. Schumacher, Vice President
A. Spinelli
R. Wagner

Other Officers:

J. Bloohm, President

Other Guests:

11:03 AM: Meeting is called to order by President Bloohm.

The next meeting will be held on June 23, 2018 at 12:00 noon in the MCRHS Office Building.

11:03 AM: J. Huttenburg moves and A. Spinelli seconds to accept the minutes of the December 9, 2017 Annual Meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

11:04 AM: R. Miller moves and D. Schumacher seconds to accept the minutes of the March 3, 2018 Special Meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

11:06 AM: D. Schumacher moves and R. Duresa seconds to affirm the email vote taken to approve authorizing the President to sign an agreement with SW Bridge Engineers to do engineering, design and permitting for the Seeley Creek Bridge. The result of the vote was 9 directors in favor and 0 directors against. The motion to affirm the vote passed unanimously.

Reports:

The President's and Manager's Reports were presented by President Bloohm.

11:09 AM: R. Miller moves and A. Spinelli to accept the reports as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

The Financial Report was presented by President Bloohm.

11:10 AM: R. Miller moves and A. Spinelli seconds to accept the report. Motion passed unanimously.

The Dorcy Committee report was presented by President Bloohm.

The Bridge Reports were presented by President Bloohm.

The Baraboo River Bridge may be completed by the middle of June.

The Seeley Creek Bridge engineering study contract was signed and came in under the estimate.

The 1385 Task Force report was presented.

The Private Equipment Oversight Committee Report was presented by R. Wagner and K. Bauman.

11:34 AM: R. Miller moves and D. Schumacher seconds to accept the report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Planning Meeting Results presented.

11:36 AM: K. Bauman moves and R. Duresa seconds to accept the report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

The IRM Visit Report was presented by A. Spinelli and R Duresa.

11:39 AM: R. Duresa moves and R. Miller seconds to accept the report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

The Fundraising Committee Report was presented by R. Wagner.

11:49 AM: D. Schumacher moves and R. Duresa seconds to accept the report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

The Results of the MCRY 1256 and DLW 557 Lifts were presented.

Membership Upgrades

11:58 AM: R. Miller moves and R. Wagner seconds to approve the upgrade of Guy Spinelli, David MacMillian, Albert Sauer, Fred Bauers, Earl Reichel, Mary Wright, Becky Grilley, Lawrence Drifke, and Larry Stanley to Regular Member status. Motion passed unanimously.

12:03 PM: R. Duresa moves and A. Spinelli seconds to upgrade Regular Member Art Eggert to Life Member status. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

12:05 PM: J. Huttenburg moves and K. Bauman seconds to take out an annual flood insurance policy not to exceed \$6731.00.

12:20 PM: R. Anderson moves and J. Huttenburg seconds to amend the motion from 12:05 PM to change the amount not to exceed from \$6731.00 to \$6852.00 and making the deductible \$1500.00. Amended motion passed with 7 votes in favor and one vote against.

12:23 PM: R. Duresa moves and R. Wagner seconds to require that Board and Donor designated funds be spent before spending money from general fund. Motion passed unanimously.

12:24 PM: President Bloohm recessed the meeting for lunch.

12:58 PM: President Bloohm recalled the meeting to order.

12:59 PM: J. Huttenburg moves and D. Schumacher seconds to raise Associate Member dues from \$40.00 per year to \$50.00 per year effective January 1, 2019. Motion failed with 8 votes against.

1:11 PM: R. Duresa moves and K. Bauman seconds to raise Regular Member dues from \$50.00 per year to \$60.00 per year effective January 1, 2019. Motion passed unanimously.

1:11 PM: R. Duresa moves and J. Huttenburg seconds to raise Life Membership dues from \$1000.00 to \$2500.00 effective January 1, 2019. Motion failed with 8 votes against.

1:24 PM: R. Duresa moves and K. Bauman seconds to create a new non-voting Junior Membership for ages 1 to 16, with dues equaling \$25.00 per year. Benefits would remain the same as Associate Members.

1:43 PM: R. Duresa moves and K. Bauman seconds to table motion of 1:24 PM until the September meeting and to direct the President to appoint a committee to review the Junior and Family Membership options and make recommendation to the Board at that time. Motion passed unanimously.

2:03 PM: J. Huttenburg moves and R. Duresa seconds to approve creating the Section Foreman, Brakeman, and Conductor experiences as listed in the Fund-Raising Committee report. Motion passed unanimously.

2:20 PM: R. Miller moves and J. Huttenburg seconds to refer the Management Committee charge, back to the Management Committee for review and updating of their charge, and then to return those changes back to the Board for approval. Motion passed unanimously.

2:21 PM: R. Miller moves and R. Anderson seconds to approve the hiring of:

Gift Shop: Lois Emberson and Jo Ellen Anstett
Ticket Agent: Lori Liegel
Ticket Agent/Gift Shop: Bailey Kissack and Jordon Schwarz
Operations: Russell Schramm and Richard Colby
Engineering: Dave Lee
Restorations: Richard Dipping, Owen Hughes, Larry Tourdot
Janitorial: Jesse Kruchten

Motion passed unanimously.

2:26 PM: R. Duresa moves and R. Anderson seconds to allow the President to hire additional employees not yet known to fill vacant jobs and to report the names of any new employees to the board via Email. Motion passed unanimously.

2:28 PM: J. Huttenburg moves and K., Bauman seconds to give 30 day notice to Phil Blinderman to sign a new lease, or to instruct him to remove the caboos from the property on or before December 31, 2018. Motion passed unanimously.

2:34 PM: R. Miller moves and R. Anderson seconds to approve raising the annual fee for Display and Outfit cars from \$200.00 per year to \$250.00 per year. Motion passed with 7 votes in favor and one vote against.

R. Anderson left meeting at 2:40

2:41 PM: J. Huttenburg moves and R. Miller seconds to change the annual fee for rolling stock in the Other Category to a new rate of \$750.00 per year, or \$250.00 per year plus 20 hours of volunteer time working on Museum Projects. Motion passed with 6 votes in favor and one vote against.

2:50 PM: K. Bauman moves and R. Duresa seconds to designate the William Reible estate bequest of \$10,000.00 to the General Fund. Motion passed unanimously.

2:53 PM: R. Duresa moves and R. Miller seconds to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.