

PIEDMONT DIVISION Board of Directors Meeting

July 10, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6 pm by Walt Liles at Holy Innocent's Church.

Board Members in Attendance: Walt Liles, Mike Fleming, Perry Lamb, Howard Goodwin, Jim Travis, Mike Cummings. Peter Youngblood MMR, John Falk, Royal Bruce, Doug Alexander, Sally Bando

Other Members in Attendance: Ranadall Watson, Gary Jarabek, Rick Coble, Chuck Hoesch, Tom Banks, Pat McCarroll. Norm Lundin, Ann Lundin, Martin Gelner, Jim Datka, Jim Hobbs

Officer and Director Reports

Administration: Mike Fleming Corrections were noted and changes were made. Move to accept by Jim Travis and second by Perry Lamb.

Finance: Diane Martin Extensive detailed report available to membership. Highlights are \$103,000.00 in net assets, \$11,300.00 in net revenue for the year. Collections at the meeting are \$1300.00 for the year. Room rental is \$1900.00 per year. Motion to accept by Jim Travis and second by Perry Lamb.

Operations: Sally Bando Mike Cummings speaking tonight about Southeastern Fallen Flags. Next month's speaker is Lloyd Neal on "When Atlanta took the Train". Layout open Houses 7/18 and 8/4. Check website for details. National Convention in Kansas City August 5 to 12. Golden Spike Train Show 8/25.

Personnel: Mike Cummings Report submitted, 2 new members

Committee Reports

Apparel: Gary Jarabek, report sent

Piedmont Pilgrimage: Gary Jarabek 70 layouts are scheduled. Volunteers helpers are needed.

AP Program: Charles Mason, report sent

BSA: Howard Goodwin, July session canceled due to low enrollment. Summer session may be dropped because of multiple conflicts in Scout's schedules.

Train-N Camp, Perry Lamb, recent session fully enrolled and very successful

Train Show 2019: Negotiations continue with the Galleria about Parking situation.

Good and Welfare: Chuck Hoesch, Chris White had recent eye surgery

SER Convention 2020: Walt Liles, a \$1400 check has been sent to reserve the convention hall.

IT : Scott Povlot report sent

Marketing: Sally Bando

The big news is the Georgia Magazine feature on Model Trains highlighting the division. 800,000 people will be reached. Hopefully, the Piedmont Pilgrimage calendar will be included in the events calendar of the magazine.

A suggestion was made by John Falk to do an outreach to members who no longer attend the meeting or have become inactive.

No Activity this month in other Committees.

Old Business

Facebook Marketing; Pending

Estate Planning : Mike Fleming Local members who buy collections and estates have been contacted. Web sites and specialists in Brass models have been reviewed. Peter Youngblood recommended a recent article from the NMRA about estate Planning. There was an editorial several months ago in Model Railroader about the same topic.

The main message is that it is the responsibility of the modeler to inventory and assign value to the equipment and how it should be disposed of before something happens. The family will often over value common models and not be aware of the value of rare and unusual models.

STEM education, Cobb County Schools: Pending

Diorama competition November 2018

Present plans are 12x12 for HO and N, 18x18 for G. Prizes will be awarded . Further details pending.

New Business

Picnic scheduled for September 8. Place and venue pending

Adjournment at 6:44 pm moved by Howard Goodwin and seconded by Perry Lamb

Michael T Fleming MD

Director of Administration