

## **PIEDMONT DIVISION, BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES May 14, 2020**

Meeting called to order at 6:03 p.m., WebEx Virtual Meeting, Planet Earth by Walt Liles, Superintendent.

Board Members Present: Sally Bando, Perry Lamb, Jim Travis, Peter Youngblood, Walt Liles, Jim Hobbs, Alan Mole, Howard Goodwin, Steve Funsten

Board members absent: John Falk, Joe Sullivan, Doug Alexander

### **Quorum Present**

Committee Chairs, Division Members, and Visitors Present *as taken from the sign-in sheet*: Charlie Mason, Hank Primas, Mike Deaton, John Stevens, Jim Datka, Chuck Hoesch, Charlie Crawford, Dave, one Call in User

### **Officer and Director Reports**

**Administration – Perry Lamb:** MINUTES FROM APRIL 14, 2020 – Jim Travis, motion to approve, Bob Kelshaw – second - Approved

**Finance – OPEN:** Updates: Royal has relocated to Florida and we need a replacement – Walt has produced a modified report. We are on the hook for about \$15,000 for the 2020 Model Train Show. Royal has left town. Walt has transferred funds to make sure the train show account isn't overdrawn. The CD accounts have money in them. We don't have the balances at the moment. Please provide suggestions for a replacement for Royal. – Unable to make a motion to approve since we don't have a true report.

**Operations – Sally Bando:** Virtual clinic tonight. Charlie Crawford. Gary Fish's layout had a good collection of hits on the short video of his layout. Walt has been to Perry's house. Walt will edit this in to one video and it will be posted on the 23rd.

**Personnel/Membership – Howard Goodwin:** Member decline on roster. Any follow up? – No action on the list of those who have expired yet. Walt has followed up with at least one. We need to check the list. Had about 50 participants for our first Virtual Division meeting in April.

### **Committee Reports**

**Website – Bob Kelshaw, Rick Coble:** Things are being changed rapidly to prepare for new way of operations virtually. From a personal perspective, Bob and Rick are doing a good job. Thanks guys!

**Pilgrimage, Advertising, and Promotion/Division Apparel - :** NTR

**Achievement Program – Charlie Mason:** - May Contest Cancelled Discussion of model judging via electronic media during NMRA X Virtual FB clinics. Needs to be considered. One member has sent an email about requirements. Charlie has replied. There were a lot of positive comments about virtual AP judging during the NMRA X event with Ask the MMR.

**Good and Welfare – Chuck & Mary Ann Hoesch:** Report Sent

**2021 Model Train Show – Hank Primas:** Chris has update financial but not finished. – Loss of between \$13,000 and \$15,000 for the 2020 show. Hank is exploring other sites. Possibly Cartersville?

**Boy Scout Merit Badge Program (Duluth and Kennesaw) – Howard Goodwin, MMR:** Final report for this section. Event Cancelled/ Refunds to PayPal signup. I have info. This will get done this weekend as it was not completed by Royal and Howard. We received an official electronic message explaining our

new rules. NO BSA INVOLVEMENT from PD. We can donate items to be used by individuals wanting to do something on their own. We cannot be involved PERIOD!  
Our standard rules that a parent or guardian must be present with a youth at any of our events stands fine. At no point may a youth be left unattended during any of our functions without them.  
We will not vary from National NMRA orders on this. Please be reminded that this was not caused by our organization. It is a result of years of misconduct by the BSA resulting in these decisions.

**Marketing – Sally Bando:** Report Sent

**Name Badges & Photography - James Bando:** NTR – No Gathering

**Division Video Library - Royal Bruce:** NTR

**Division Book Library - Stephen Leyton:** NTR

**Model Railroad & Division Help – Ovidiu Trifanescu:** NTR

**Train 'N Camp - Perry Lamb:** Cancel May Event- The May event has been moved to July.

**2020 SER Convention – Walt Liles:** Working on refunds and waiting on \$1400.00 refund from Clarence Brown Conference Center, All Reservation at Hampton Inn CANCELLED – We will have some Paypal and expenses for printing. There will be some minor expenses. The loss will be split with the SER.

#### **Old Business**

Covered under BSA

#### **New Business**

National NMRA 2020 Convention Cancelled in St Louis, MO

Future Meetings, June 9<sup>th</sup> – Virtual

July is still planned at church to be Pizza Night and Swap Meet night.

Open for discussion

#### **Any Other Business**

**Meeting Adjournment;** Motion to adjourn, Jim Travis, Second Perry Lamb – Approved at 6:57 pm

Respectfully submitted:

*Perry Lamb*

Director of Administration