

Meeting called to order at 6:02 p.m., Old Hickory House, Tucker, GA by Peter Youngblood, MMR, Superintendent.

Board Members Present (13): Peter Youngblood, MMR, Gary Jarabek, David Gelmini, Joe Sullivan, Walt Liles, Alan Mole, Norman Lundin, Joe Nichols, Jr., MMR, Chuck Hoesch, Scott Chatfield, Perry Lamb, Paul Rankin and Charlie Crawford.

Board members absent (1): Chris White

Quorum Present

Committee Chairs, Division Members, and Visitors Present *as taken from the sign-in sheet (24)*
Randall Watson, Del and Diane Kittendorf, James and Sally Bando, Bob Kelshaw, Joe Gelmini, MMR, Tyler Gelmini, Bobby Hess, Howard Goodwin, Joe Nichols Sr., MMR, Ed Laity, Lenny Polinski, Victor Pitrotski, Bill Zawacki, MMR, Steve Funsten, Tom Banks, Mike Deaton, Scott Povlot, John Travis, Vince LaRuffa, Bob Wood, Ken Raymond and Ovidiu Trifanescu.

Officer and Director Reports

Superintendent. Peter Youngblood opened the meeting by noting that in Chris White's absence, Alan Mole would take minutes.

Administration— Peter Youngblood for Chris White.

The March 2014 Minutes were approved as amended following a motion by Joe Sullivan and seconded by Perry Lamb. Amendments to March minutes were: 14 Board members present (vs. 13 reported), and Division has 4 PC's (not 5 as reported).

Finance – Joe Sullivan Joe submitted a revised financial report for March 2014 which included updated numbers for the Train Show. This report was approved following a motion by Perry Lamb and seconded by Walt Liles.

Joe also advised the meeting that when following up on invoice(s) for printing the Timetable from the UPS Store, he was advised by the store that there was an outstanding balance owed of \$73.52 for unpaid invoice(s) from previous year(s). Joe paid this amount under his discretionary limit. Joe also noted that the 2013 Convention Sales tax had been paid and that he was awaiting response from the State Tax authority on the amount of penalties and interest due for late payment. Elmer Wilson (Accountant) confirmed that sales tax does not apply to Train Show tickets.

Operations—**Walt Liles** Report submitted by email. No additional comments.

Personnel/Membership - Paul Rankin – Paul submitted an email report. He noted that he was working on the roster in order to get Rail Pass sign-ups from July/August 2013 to upgrade their membership.

Committee Reports These reports had been emailed to all Board members. Peter Youngblood requested a motion to approve all Committee Reports as submitted. Motion submitted by Perry Lamb and seconded by Joe Sullivan. Reports were approved.

There were no additional comments submitted by Committee Heads.

Timetable - Doug Alexander – Report submitted by Bob Wood. Second Quarter Timetable has been distributed to 465 members via mailchimp. 19 were rejected due to email address problems. Hard copies will be sent to these members. Also there are 66 members who have not provided email addresses so they will also receive hard copies.

Website - Scott Povlot – No report.

Pilgrimage, Advertising, and Promotion/Division Apparel - Gary Jarabek - Emailed report.

Achievement Program – Randall Watson Emailed report submitted.

Good and Welfare –Chuck & Mary Ann Hoesch – Emailed report submitted.

2014 Model Train Show –Joe Gelmini Email report submitted. Joe Gelmini announced that the Train Show had been a great success, the second best on record with 4,000 attendees and net profit of approximately \$15K. Joe also noted that this was the first year that the Train Show had managed all expenses through a separate bank account. Present balance is \$32K and Joe recommended that \$6K be transferred to the Division Account and the remainder left in the TS account for future expenditures. Motion recommending this action proposed by Joe Nichols, Jr. and seconded by David Gelmini.

Joe also advised at the meeting that the usual honorarium had not been paid to one modular group, Georgia Garden Railway Society, as the layout had not been adequately staffed for the Sunday afternoon operations and take down, resulting in early take down and loading problems. Ted Yarbrough, President of the GGRS has sent a letter of apology to the Division.

Joe also raised/responded to the question about expanding the show to two halls. David G. noted that an additional 300 vendor tables would have to be sold to cover the cost of the additional hall. The Train Show committee did not recommend going to a second hall for 2015.

Boy Scout Merit Badge Program (Duluth) - John Stevens – Report submitted.

Audio-Visual Production & Promotion Committee-Peter Youngblood, MMR Nothing to report this month.

Name Badges - James Bando – Report submitted.

Division Video Library - David Gelmini – Report submitted.

Division Book Library - Stephen Leydon – Nothing to report.

Volunteer Coordinator - Walt Liles – Nothing to report

Convention Cars – Alan Mole - Report submitted.

Member Aid – Ovidiu Trifanescu – Nothing to report.

Old Business

Layout Donations - Charlie Crawford noted that bits and pieces of two potential Raffle layouts were being stored in his basement. There is limited rolling stock. He suggested that this could be sold at next year's White Elephant table.

City of Adairsville - Charlie is working with the city on 2015 Training Camp or mini-meet.

2014 Action List - Peter Youngblood had emailed the latest 2014 Action List to all Board members and Committee Heads. He confirmed that tasks were up to date.

Clinic DVD - David Gelmini reported that the DVDs of 2013 Convention Clinics would be posted on the Division's website due to the fact that they are PowerPoint presentations without audio. Howard Goodwin and Norman Lundin would assist.

Division PC upgrade – Perry Lamb advised that three PCs had been upgraded with one to go!

New Business

2015 Raffle Layout - Discussion regarding future raffle layouts was tabled until the Chair of the Committee, I.D. Jackson, was present. Walt Liles and Bob Wood agreed to co-chair if needed.

Manchester Railroad Days - Walt Liles advised that the Division would have a table at this meet with 2-3 members. Date: **October 18th, 2014, 9 - 4**

Railroad Prototype Modelers Meet - September 26 – 28, 2014. George Eichelberger will be planning clinics and operating layouts. Peter Youngblood will provide information when available.

Meeting Room John Travis recommend that the Board reserve the whole room at the restaurant or partition off the two meetings going on at the same time. It was difficult to hear what was going on with the other meeting going on behind them. Walt Lilies will check it out!

Paul Rankin proposed and Perry Lamb seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Confirmed by acclamation and the **Meeting was adjourned at 6.50p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,
Alan Mole for *Chris White*, Director of Administration