



PACIFIC COAST REGION OF THE NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS October 20, 2012 Board Meeting Highlights

The PCR Board of Directors met on October 20, 2012 at 1:10 PM at the Holiday Inn in Dublin, CA.

On the financial front, the 2013 budget has a \$3000 shortfall, ignoring convention income. The big issue is that the Branch Line costs us \$8 per member to produce, but we only bring in \$6. The Treasurer noted that it may be prudent to discuss increasing the Branch Line fee.

In their reports, the officers focused on the division meets. The Divisions are all proactive in their meets, which is where the rubber meets the road. It was noted that Jim Long is not doing well. Scott McAllister will be taking over as Superintendent.

Audit Committee Chair Dennis Stokely reported that an audit was successfully completed with no issues.

The convention committee reported that the Siskiyou Summit joint convention had 338 registrants, 161 from PNR and 119 from PCR. The next convention is the Iron Horse Express, in Dublin, CA. The net income to PCR was \$2428.

Both PNR and PCR convention committees provided reports. Both groups considered it to be successful. The reports are extensive, and too large to address into this summary. The big note is that the committees need more leeway in the MOU to make this work even better. The committee recommended that we do it again in 5 to 7 years.

Secretary's note: The Convention Committees Co-chair report is worth reading to see what went well and other things. Indeed all the convention reports are a good read. They can be seen on the PCR website in the attachments to the PCR October 20, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes.

The contest chair reported that even though there were significant differences in the way PNR and PCR do contests, all worked out very well.

Rod Smith has taken over as Hobo In Charge, and has set up an accounting mechanism to address hobo funds. (Hobos don't cringe here – we needed to protect the Hobo in Charge.)

The Board approved \$500 to produce separate brochures for recruitment and for welcoming new members.

The final budget approved has a deficit of \$3185. (Secretary's note: the 2012 budget had a \$3110 deficit, and the actual (projected since the year isn't over) was \$680.)

The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday, April 3 at 1 PM at the Holiday Inn in Dublin, CA.