

**PACIFIC COAST REGION
OF NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION, INC.
A California nonprofit Corporation
Annual Business Meeting
Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.**

A. QUORUM VERIFICATION AND CALL TO ORDER*

A quorum of 35 members must be present before the meeting is called to order. (By-laws, Art. 4 Sec. 5)

The meeting was called to order at 8:30am as the Secretary was able to certify that a quorum was present.

B. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES. The prior minutes were approved on motion by Bill Scott and seconded by Pat La Torres.

C. OFFICERS' COMMENTS

1. President (*Ed Merrin*). Ed noted that a 2019 convention chair, membership chair, and non-rail chair were needed. He discussed using ElectionBuddy for elections.

2. Vice-President (*Carol Alexander*). No comments.

3. Treasurer (*Robert Osborn*). Bob noted that PCR's treasury reduced about \$5,000 in the prior year. PCR's cash position remains good and he has arranged for investment in a stair-stepped set of CDs to generate interest income.

4. Secretary (*Chris Palermo*) – He presented highlights of Board of Directors Meeting of April 4, 2018. These included acceptance of a new PCR logo, approval of the CD investment scheme, and formation of a special committee on future conventions.

D. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Coast, Daylight, Sierra and/or Redwood Empire Directors were invited to make remarks. Coast recognized its new Superintendent, Doug Smith. Sierra noted its next meet was coming up on May 12. Daylight reported on its successful and popular meet at the restored Kingsburg, CA station.

E. MEMBER COMMENTS (comments regarding matters not on the agenda). Several open member comments were received. Bob Chaparro noted that PSR's May 19 meet at Bakersfield would be coordinated with Daylight Division and would have several good layout tours.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

G. NEW BUSINESS – None

H. CONVENTIONS

1. Comments regarding the 2018 convention (*Giuseppe Aymar*) were given.

2. 2019 Convention (*Ed Merrin*) – Ed noted that the 2019 convention was tentatively planned for May 1-5 with a venue not yet selected but to be in the Sacramento area. It will be co-sponsored by Sierra Division and the Western Pacific Historical Society.

3. 2020 Convention was briefly discussed.

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Next Business Meeting – May 5 was tentatively set as the date.
2. Other Announcements. Chris solicited content for PCR's Facebook page and Constant Contact email communications. Dave Grenier requested updates for the Master Calendar. Coast Division provided reminders of its June 3 meet at San Leandro. Kristin Skold was thanked for contributing the new PCR logo design.

J. ADJOURNMENT – occurred at 9:10am.