

**Wisconsin Southeastern Division (WISE) of the NMRA
Board of Directors Meeting**

Wednesday December 18, 2019

Location: Milwaukee Lionel Railroad Club

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Superintendent Slater

BOD Present - Andy Breaker (Asst. Super), Burnell Breaker (Library), Andy Greco (WISE Ops), Ken Jaglinski (Trainfest), Dennis Janssen (Treasurer/Paymaster), Art Oseland (Bus Trip), David Rohr (Secretary, Chief Clerk), Mike Slater (Superintendent);

Chairs Present - None

Absent - Gary Children (Achievement AP), John Hagen (Layouts), Jim Hebner (Website), Mark Hintz (Youth), Steve Miazga (Owl Car), Ted Zieger (Contest).

Guests - None

Trainfest - Discussion on Trainfest after the November 2019 event. Event appears to be over budget, trying to pin point the issues. The RFP's were brought up, Mercury was told not to submit a proposal. If Mercury was not awarded the event, then Jaglinski did not want to continue as Trainfest Chair. After more discussion, Jaglinski submitted his resignation, and left the meeting at 7:32 pm

Paymaster - Reports were submitted by Janssen to the BOD via email. Greco made a motion to accept, seconded by B. Breaker. The motion carried unanimously.

Minutes - November minutes, Dennis made motion to accept with suggestions on how to document the open/closed sessions, and seconded by Mike Slater. The motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Trainfest: RFP's were received from Image Management, and waiting for a proposal from the group that assists with the Madison Show.

The Fair Park location deposit has been paid for 2020 event and maybe more.

Need to create letter to stop Mercury work, and to get WISE/Trainfest Intellectual Property, Website & email access/passwords. Need to get computer, printer & misc. from Jaglinski' house.

International Event to stop promoting,
Motion by Janssen to scrap the "International Theme" for the 2020 show. Greco seconded. All approved.

Celebrate a Railroad panels, featuring MoPac Railroad. Need to research more for this year. Anonymous board member (Greco) motioned to not authorize an advertising agency to create these panels, but leave this up to the historical group featured for that year. Janssen seconded, all in favor.

Janssen motioned to eliminate the Make & Take, coloring activities, bouncy house, Betty Brin exhibit, and other children related activities. This was tabled.

These are were most of the volunteer hours are needed.

Keep the Trainfest Builders, Junior Engineer, Ken Patterson.

Need to restore the awards for layouts at Trainfest. A change to prior motion to eliminate all un-necessary awards.

Next meeting of the Trainfest Committee will be Jan 6, 2020 at 7 pm at LRRC.

Recent Fair Park Issues were discussed. Need to discuss at meeting with Fair Park – Ian Heilmann.

Membership: No report

Meets: (& Clinics) No report

Layouts: No report

Contests: No report

Youth Group: No report

Video Library: B. Breaker stated no report

Owl Car: Miazga's submitted report - December 22 is deadline for December Owl Car. We have summary of December Hands On meet, flyer to advertise February bus trip to Madison, updated events page, Madison Show advertising.

Facebook: No report

Website: No report

Bus Trips: No report

Achievement: Children absent – No Report.

WISE Ops: No report.

Youth Group: No report

Old Business:

The following was not discussed...

- Milw Rd 75th Convention Photo – Still open item. Suggested to place at Walthers, or IRM's Milw Rd Hist Society Library. Looking to get some wording for a letter.
- Electronic storage of data files. We supposed to have bought Cloud Storage somewhere, in the last regimen. Need to work with Hebner/Janssen/Joe Russ for more details. Slater to check with his buddy.

New Business:

Elections – currently is a mail in ballot with David Nelson as Election Chair. May ask Bob Sherman and Leroy Chisley to assist.
(Committee needs to be a past Superintendent or past BOD or Div. member)

Who is up for elections? Info is on the website. Will discuss/confirm next meeting.

The Trainfest "Meet & Greet" event with Ken Patterson raised \$68. The fundraiser account/fund was never established. Janssen motioned to establish a "WISE Division Scholarship Fund" more details to follow. Oseland seconded, all approved.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:52: PM. Motioned by Janssen, Greco seconded, all in favor.

The next meeting is Wednesday January 15 at 7:00 PM, at the Lionel Railroad Club of Milwaukee, 2721 S Calhoun Road. New Berlin.

Other future BOD meeting dates could be February 19, 2020. (3rd Wednesday)

No meet in February, WISE Div. Bus Trip to Mad City is February 15.

March Meet is March 15, so next BOD Meeting could/should be March 11 (2nd Wednesday)

Respectfully submitted by David Rohr, Chief Clerk