

**Wisconsin Southeastern Division (WISE) of the NMRA
Executive Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday Oct 12, 2022
Location: Lionel Railroad Club & Zoom**

Meeting called to order by Burnell Breaker at 7:04 pm

BOD Present - Burnell Breaker (Interim Superintendent & Video Library) (via Zoom),
Dennis Janssen (Treasurer, Paymaster) (via Zoom)
Robert Niedermann (Interim Asst-Superintendent, & Contests) (via Zoom),
David Rohr (Secretary, Chief Clerk)
Tim Koch – BOD (joined via Zoom at 7:35 pm) (via Zoom),

Chairs Present - Gary Hendrickson (Membership)

Guests - Bob McGeever (via Zoom), Mike Hirvela (via Zoom)

Absent - None

Minutes: No changes noted from Sept 21 meeting, motioned to approve by Niedermann, 2nd by Janssen, All approved.

Paymaster Report:

Money from Kalmbach has not been received yet, sent them an invoice, nor has the NMRA matching funds been received \$200, no acknowledgement was received, so suggested to follow up. Was suggested to apply for another \$200 grant from HQ for the Train School, as we will have a \$500 rental, and cost for flyers. Will submit this at beginning of 2023. No other changes or questions to the paymaster report were mentioned. Motioned to approve by Niedermann, 2nd by Burnell.

Picnic:

Followed up on paperwork (\$200 grant request to HQ).

Division Meet admission & Swap Table costs:

Agreed to charge non-members \$5 for admission or \$5 for swap vendor (Not both, and unlimited tables). We will have two tables for selling at the October morning Lionel Swap Meet. Plan to have Dave Evans to run the contest.

Donations to the Division:

Don Strike's equipment should be coming November 20. Dan Larkee took the lumber from the Tosa N scale layout.

2022-2023 schedule

An upcoming schedule has been re-printed again for next season,

Train School:

The new flyers for this event have been printed. Need mentors, will get details from Dave M

Trainfest Booth

What to do with the extra tickets, mail them back, or hand them to them at the show.

Requested 5 passes for WISE staff / volunteers to work the booth.

LaRoye Chisley and John Collins have volunteered to help staff the booth. We can buy additional tickets for those helping at the booth. We have requested 274 two-day tickets, which some were sold at the picnic for \$10 each. We have passes for Burnell Breaker and Dennis Janssen, John, LaRoye, and Bob Niedermann. Tim is exhibiting at Trainfest. Any others? The SCWD booth is requested to be next to us, so we can share power, manpower, etc.

Need 2 laptops, one for membership, one for commodities sales. Wi-Fi status unknow, we would need to contact Dave Swanson if he needs our equipment. Need from storage: Back Wall display,

pins, plaques, Bridger trains, Samsung tablets. Parking is \$10 per day. No reimbursement for parking. Need 4 hour, over the 2 days, commitment for manning the booth.

Membership – Gary: Resources for Clinics, we can use Bob McGeever’s resources. Do we have an agenda, Need agenda for the meet (Theme). Need to more helpers to assist. May also have clinics from Dave Nelson or Burnell Soo line Convention. Need to create a Facebook post for the meet to advertise. We have invited Christine from HQ to talk about increasing participation. Need details on the clinic from Nelson and post that in Facebook, and send broadcast email.

MWR BoD Meeting October 16, 2022

Report and proxy sent to MWR secretary.

Other items:

- Dave Nelson is ok with being elections chair. Mark Willmering said he is not interested in running the picnic, and will dropping his membership.
- Amazon Charity – will draft a message to the membership. Janssen to do the account approval.
- Wi-Fi equipment for Trainfest – no reply if they want to use it.
- Past Minutes are now posted on BOD Minutes, on the Division website, under “About Us” tab. Rohr was sending to the wrong email, need to use his direct email, and not the TrainFest one.
- From last meeting, we asked about club. The listing is posted on the division website. Cedar Creek is no longer at that location, and no longer traveling. Glacier Garden group is no longer.
- Would the division be interested in having the Region supply a Facebook management function? YES. The HQ is looking to provide a replacement for Zoom, along with group email system, and other features.

Next Meeting:

Scheduled for Wednesday December 7, 2022 at 7 pm at the Lionel Railroad Club in New Berlin. This is a week earlier as Niederman has another commitment on the 14th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm. Motioned to adjourn by Janssen, 2nd by Niedermann.

Respectfully submitted by David A. Rohr, Chief Clerk.