

**ACCRS
HO Monthly Meeting
Minutes
June 6th, 2014**

Meeting brought to order at 8:19pm.

Trainmaster Ed Carreno opened the meeting.

It is the last meeting before fair.

Next meeting September 5th. August is BBQ instead of meeting.

Ed announced he is happy to say all projects are complete:

Interurban extension

Passenger station lighting

DCC jacks

Drive-In movie

Scenic lights

Cutouts are on hold

Ed explained it's time to prepare the layout for fair. We need to identify things that need cleanup, repair, or removal. Work must be done by next Sunday, on the following Wednesday fair starts.

Ed explained that if any members have not signed up for shifts, sign up. If a member signs up for analog and want it reversed to DCC, talk to other people on the shift and it can be switched. Email Ed and the change can be made. Ed will give you options.

Ed reminded everyone that fair signup can happen on the web. Go to the ACCRS website. Go to the last tab. Enter the username: "member". Enter the password: "pleasantonmodelrr". After logging in the website it will show you a link to the latest signup sheet. First come first served.

Gary reminded all that he would like to not allow people to change shifts the day they are scheduled to work.

Fast clock

Ed stated that Wayne sent out an email describing the fast clock/show lights. The lights work fine. We are going to adjust them manually during the fair. After the fair more work will be done to control the day/night cycle using a digital controller.

Gary mentioned the lights get really hot, so we should use them sparingly on hot days.

Drive-In Movie

Joel finished the drive-in movie upgrade. It works and is activated using the prominent switch in the little dispatch room. Instructions are on the wall. A Casablanca DVD that loops forever was made and is in the player, so you can set it and forget it.

Interurban Extension

The extension was finally finished and it works. Instructions are on interurban switch panel.

Platform Lights

They lights are done. The dimmer dial is set; Gary glued it down. Gary has only to finish cleaning and wrapping the wiring underneath.

Brochure

Ed brought in a printer for printing more brochures during fair. Ed won't be in every day, but if it looks like the brochure stockpile is getting low call, text, or email Ed.

Web Updates

No new website updates will happen until after fair.

DCC Jacks

All new jacks are installed. All DCC jacks are marked with yellow caution tape. Joel made a map of the jack locations that he emailed and will post upstairs.

Scenery Cutouts

The scenery cutouts project will wait until after fair.

Throttle Upgrades

Ed received no emails from members about throttle upgrades.

Ed has 3 cell phones available if anyone is interested for running throttle apps. Talk to Ed if interested.

Procedures

No new progress was made. We'll have to work on procedures after the fair. For now, Ed left new members with this advice: be cautious and courteous and you'll be fine. Pretend any equipment is your own.

BBQ

Next "meeting" is the Summer BBQ potluck on August 1st. There will be signups for bringing things to BBQ posted upstairs.

Supplies

Lee was volunteered to get towels, rubbing alcohol, and Windex.

Fair Condition

Please look at all your engines and cars and get them fair ready. Cars have to be clean and with straight parts that are not loose. Couplers need to be sturdy and of proper and uniform height. Take time to test run your equipment. Test your engines and controllers/throttles. You should run all trains with a cleaning car. If you don't have your

own cleaning car there are many here at the club, use them. Always run at least one cleaning car. Let Ed know if you observe other members not adhering to this rule.

Club DCC

The club still has much DCC equipment, but procedures regarding its checkout and use have yet to be written. Ed will allow access to the equipment if he or Joel is present. However, Ed prefers if members use their own DCC equipment when possible. Ed reminded everyone that none of the club DCC equipment has been tested, so you will also be running it at risk.

Great Train Show

Peter announced the Great Train show is on 22nd of November here in Pleasanton on the fairgrounds. He is not referring to the Great Train Expo, this is the Great Train Show. It is also not the same as the Toy Train Sale in Santa Clara. The show will be two days long. Ed said we will further discuss the show in September.

Paul moved to adjourn. Gary seconded.
Motion passed and meeting ended at 8:41pm.

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