

**ACCRS
HO Monthly Meeting
Minutes
November 7th, 2014**

Meeting brought to order at 8:37pm.

Trainmaster Ed Carreno opened the meeting.

Next meeting in December is the Christmas party, not a formal business meeting.

Next actual business meeting is January 2nd. Ed asked if we should we move the meeting to 9th?

John and Lee think we should.

Ed declared that we will have the HO meeting on the 9th, pending a decision by the club leadership to move the main meeting.

Work schedules for this month's shows are up on website. Ask Ed for password if you forgot.

Old Business

Fast clock

Ed emailed Wayne about the fast clock. Wayne was waiting to talk to Ed's friend electrician. Ed says his electrician friend is ill and will be for awhile. We may need to find someone else.

Ed asked if we should we find someone else, or wait for this guy to recover? He might be sick for many months.

Lee said the lighting system has been working fine for now, so we can wait.

Next big show is in February, and our main concern is the fair, so we have time.

We will wait for now, at least until the fair.

Drive-In Movie

Joel burned two new movies, The Day the Earth Stood Still and American Graffiti. They both work fine and loop continuously.

Brochure

Marc has not done any updates on the brochure

Web Updates

Web updates are pending the brochure being done.

Scenery Cutouts

Ed updated the project form. He changed the dates for 2015 and reposted the form.

Operations

Dennis says third Friday in January will be the next operations planning date.

Throttles

Ed is still polling people about throttle repairs, but so far no takers. Ed is putting on hold converting the test track throttle to have radio, since that isn't important if it is the only throttle to be upgraded. All throttles now work. In addition, we purchased two new one consist wired throttles for interurban and trolley.

Procedures

Ed emailed out to individuals to be on the committees. The assignments are as follows:

DC/DCC Operation - Levi/Joel/Ed

First to enter/last to leave – Open

DCC equipment usage - Ernest/Joel/Ed, waiting for one more

New member sponsorship, training - Traegan/Joel/Ed, and waiting for one more to respond.

Andy's Narrow Gauge

Andy is worried about over-clutter, track access, and being able to see the new narrow gauge track.

Gary asked to hear the discussion again.

Andy explained again the issue to add narrow gauge line to layout.

Ed stated we will check in again on the progress in January.

Trolley

Ed stated the Trolley does not work well. He took the working one and three others to part them and make a new one.

However, Ed hasn't done it yet. Ed will bring the old trolley back to run it for now. It should be running by the train show.

Dennis said you can run anything that is DCC compatible on trolley line, it doesn't have to be a trolley. Lee contested that, the equipment has to have a small wheelbase to make it around the turns.

Joel mentioned that the equipment needs to be properly weighted to have enough traction to make it up the steep hill.

Good Guys Car Show

Ed read the schedule for the Good Guys show.

Lee switched from Saturday to Sunday.

The schedule was rearranged to try and fill vacancies.

Ed declared his disappointment in not enough people signing up. It is important to have people work the shows. It is especially important to work during the Great Train Expo.

Ed talked about the Great Train Expo schedule and worked it out some more with the members present to fill all vacancies

The layout opens at 9:30 usually, regardless of when event is scheduled.

An announcement was made that John Marshall is having an estate sale this Sat and Sun 11/22 and 11/23 from 10am-6pm. John has lots of model railroad, O, HO, N, accessories, and memorabilia for sale.

Elections

Nominating committee nominated Ed as trainmaster and Joel as assistant trainmaster. No opposition manifested. HO membership voted and the slate was accepted.

Dennis moved to adjourn. Lee seconded.
Motion passed and meeting ended at 9:06 pm.

Minutes recorded by Assistant Trainmaster Joel Clark.