

Division 4, MCR, NMRA General Minutes, October 18,2024

Meeting opened at 6:31 pm by Assistant Superintendent, Burt Wisbar with a warm welcome for all.

Ed Enyedy is our only visitor this evening.

A motion was made by Brian Haas to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Chuck Shick seconded the motion. The Division carried the motion and minutes were approved.

Bert Wisbar read off the total amount of all our accounts as sent in by Greg Noeth.

Old Business:

Great Berea Train Show Report - Tim Sheffield - just said it was a great show with great weather.

New Business:

New Meeting Location - Joe Filipiak - Joe gave a brief description of problems with current meeting place. Ex. changing dates, shortening hours...Not what we originally signed up for. He then spoke about the cabin in North Olmsted on Lorain. Gave the good and bads about meeting there. John Huges made a motion to sign the contract for the North Olmsted cabin to start meeting there in January.. Chuck Shick seconded the motion. The Division carried the motion for the change of venue.

Bert introduced Don Oleksa as the new Flatwheel editor.

Drawing for the \$50.00 gift certificate from the judging at the Media County Fair 4-H group Modules will be held in February.

Sign up for December Member Appreciation Dinner - David Williams - It is on Friday December 6th , at Parker's in Avon Lake. Sign up is up here on the front table.

Show and Tell - nothing

Working on any cool projects - nothing

Just an FYI - Bert Wisbar - The Division 4 Summer Picnic will be on June 14, 2025. It will be held at the NEOLS. Larry Kuczynski and his family will do all the cooking.

Committee Reports:

Flat Wheel Deadline - Don Oleksa - due by October 26th.

Clinics - Jerry Kruger - Ed Eney was thanked for coming to present tonight on 3-d printing. Spain James is November's presenter on Cleveland's Cable Car System. December is Awards Banquet, January is open, February is auction, March is Pizza night, Jerry will have movies to watch that evening. If you are interested in presenting a clinic, let Jerry know via email.

Company Store - Scott Benson - Store is open, come over and shop.

Raffle - Lee Sheffield - Raffle as usual will begin 15 minutes after meeting close.

Module Group - Lee Sheffield - Wild Winter Lights is starting early in November. Set up at the zoo is either the 9th or 10th of November. People start coming in on the 11th. Be sure to sign up to run trains.

Trees and Trains set up should be the weekend before Thanksgiving. Opening night is the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Module group meeting will probably be held sometime in January to plan for next year.

Layout Tours - John Witt, MMR - Tours are October 19th and October 27th from 1 to 4 pm both days. Names and addresses are up on the front table.

AP Awards - John Hemsath, MMR - Congratulations to Mark Pekelnicky on scratch building two beautiful gondola cars.

Contest - Joe Filipiak - The winners of last months contest of a Car Load of Railroad Industry Scrap are as follows:

- Model - 1st - Joe Kurilec, MMR
- 2nd - Jim Grell
- 3rd - George Gelehrter

Diorama - 1st - John Puch

2nd - Dave Williams

3rd - Joe Filipiak

Next Month's Contest is Snow Removal Equipment.

Comments/Concerns: Bert Wisbar - Bert thanked everyone for their hard work at The Great Berea Train Show. He mentioned the group from the Olmsted Depot helped us out a lot, especially on Thursday night for set up. Also Olmsted Depot will be holding their annual Christmas Open House the first two weekends in December.

Gary Sole made a motion to adjourn the meeting Chuck Shick seconded the motion. The Division carried the motion and meeting adjourned 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Shick

Secretary, Division 4, MCR, NMRA