

Division 4, MCR, NMRA, General Meeting Minutes, Friday November 11, 2022

Superintendent Ron Morgan opened the meeting at 6:30 pm. He had all the Veterans in the room stand up and he thanked them for their service.

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the last meeting. It was seconded and carried by the Division that last month's minutes were accepted.

Greg Noeth gave the Treasurer's Report.

Old Business: Great Berea Train Show – David James – David thanked everyone for their hard work and assistance. Without all the volunteers the show would not be the success it is.

Training Day – Gary Schaefer – Gary thanked the 20 members for their help. There were not many in attendance, but those who were there had an enjoyable time. Look for his article in The Flat Wheel.

2024 Regional Convention – Jerry Kruger – a planning meeting was held on November 2nd. Looking for a name and a logo for the 2024 Convention. If you are interested in assisting in any of the areas for the convention, please let Jerry know via email. There are many jobs available! Convention will be held the 3rd weekend in May of 2024. Another volunteer meeting will be soon via Zoom.

Division 4 By Laws Review – Ron Morgan – Still working on and will be carried over.

Other – Ron Morgan – There is still 2 weeks left for John Janda's cousin's Estate Sale.

New Business: Member Award/ Appreciation Dinner – Dave Williams – Social Hour starts at 6:00 pm. Dinner at 6:30 pm. It will be held at Parker's in Avon Lake.

2023 Budget – Greg Noeth – Greg went over our annual budget. Training day line will be discussed at a later date, but will be left in budget as a page mark. A motion was made and seconded to accept the budget. The division carried the motion.

Show and Tell – Greg Noeth brought in his 50th Anniversary Certificate and a photo of an engine that ran between Cleveland and Pittsburgh. Ron Glass shared a framed train calendar

Committee Reports : The Flat Wheel Deadline – Chuck Shick – December’s Flat Wheel deadline is November 26th.

Membership – Bill Dluback – Please keep all your information with NMRA current. We have had 5 new members join from The Great Berea Train Show. Visitors Craig Butler and Doug Rohn were welcomed. If you need a badge, please sign up on the sheets at the table.

Clinics – Jerry Kruger – Chris Lance is tonight’s presenter. The 2023 Convention is May 4th to the 7th in Pittsburgh.

Raffle – Adam Woodie – Hopefully have something for everyone. Bought lots of stuff for next month from John Janda’s cousins estate sale. Raffle will begin 10 minutes after meeting ends.

Modules – Adam Woodie – Set up Wild Winter Lights is Sunday, November 13th. We are running there for 30 nights. Sign up with Adam tonight or on line.

Company Store – Scott Benson – Has tools and stuff. Official NMRA and O Gauges – Division 4 hats and shirts can be ordered. Division 4 and Division 7 cars, external brace cars. Tonight is last night to purchase a Cuyahoga Valley 50th Anniversary car at meeting.

Layout Tours – John Witt, MMR® – We have 3 for tomorrow and directions are up on the front table.

AP Awards – John Hemsath, MMR® - Association Volunteer Certificate and Association Official Certificate, both awards were presented to Lee Sheffield.

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No Contest next month. January is self propelled rail vehicle that has passenger seats, (NO LOCOMOTIVES).

Comments and Concerns – Ron thanked our Veterans once more. A happy 75th Birthday to Darrell tomorrow.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, it was seconded and carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Shick

Secretary, Division 4, MCR, NMRA