

Seacoast Division NMRA Board of Directors Meeting February 16th, 2023 10:00 am - 11:45 am

e-Mailed 02-21-2023.....19:15 Hrs.

Commencing: 10:07 am

Participants:Tom Oxnard, Tage Erickson, Nelson LeMay, Bruce Campbell, Geoff Anthony,
Jim Seroskie, Jack Lutz, Guy Mason, Glenn Mitchell

Presidents Opening Remarks:

Glenn reported that the NMRA subsidy for "Membership Retention has been delayed. He's in contact with the NMRA office and feels that it'll be resolved shortly. Tom Oxnard offered that a standardized "Form-Style" document would be a benefit to us

Reports:Treasurers Report:Treasurers Report is included as an attachment to this e-Mail posting.

Motion to Accept the Treasurer's report made by: 2nd by:

Tom Oxnard Geoff Anthony

Secretary's Report

One item. A .pdf file of the "Minutes of the B.O.D" meeting held on January 5th, 2023 was e-Mailed to the Board of Directors and meeting attendees, on January 11th, 2023 at 9:14 pm.

Motion to Accept the Secretaries report made by:	Tom Oxnard
2nd by:	Geoff Anthony

Switch Tower Report:

Geoff requested more pics and a short article explaining the nature of the photo. Ideal pics are what you are currently working on at your workbench.

Membership Report:

In the breakdown that was done on the membership statistics it was found that the average age of Seacoast Div. Members is 73 years of age

Webmasters Report

Webmasters Report is included as an attachment to this e-Mail posting.

Chip Faulter Fund Report:

Data regarding the Chip Faulter Fund is included in the Treasurers Report and is included as an attachment to this e-Mail posting

A.P. Program - NH & Me Report:

No new certificates have been issued. Two Seacoast Div. Members from Maine have elected to pursue the Achievement Program

Nominations Committee Report:

No report

NER Board Meeting Report:

Glenn reported there was no new activity. The next NER Convention will be held in Uniondale, Long Island

Activities Report:

Glenn reported that at the next quarterly meeting (4/15/23) Rich Breton, John McCue and Jim Gore will make short presentations. This will take place at the Heritage Park Railroad Museum in Union, New Hampshire.

From our colleague Jack Lutz

Two items:

1. The Seacoast website calendar currently has 60 railroad- and model railroadrelated future events posted on it.

2. There are 139 clinics listed in our Seacoast Clinics database.

Convention Committee Report:

One Item:

There have been no additional Convention Committee meetings since the last BOD meeting. John McHugh has volunteered to be one of the Inside Activities Committee co-chairmen. Earlier Peter McKenney had volunteered to be one of the Publicity Committee Co-chairmen. Jay Ehlen has requested that the Sheraton Harborside Hotel in Portsmouth provide a proposal for early September 2025. This is being done as due diligence. The proposal is expected to be prohibitively high based on comments made by Susan at the Sheraton.

Glenn Mitchell offered for consideration that four "chairs" be established and manned by a chair person and a vice chairperson. These 'sub-committees form the absolute minimum required for success.

These four 'sub-committee's are:

Overall Activities Inside activities Outside activities Publicity activities

Old Business:

Two Items

What is the status of the "advertisement link" to the Great Falls Model Railroad Club in support of their book sale?

We still need a volunteer to man a table at the So. Maine Model Railroad Show at the Westbrook Community Centre on April 22, 2023.

New Business:

Discussion was made over our participation of the "Hooksett show. Paul Lessard has previously indicated that he will help. Nelson LeMay offered to help.

Lengthy dialogue was had regarding creating Seacoast Division Videos for publication on YouTube. It will require the establishment of a Seacoast Div. YouTube channel A motion was made to move forward with that by Guy Mason 2nd by Jim Seroskie.

Glenn will purchase a video camera to be used filming Events, Conventions, shows and various other Seacoast Div. Activities. His estimate as to cost was \$ 35.00 +/-. He and Tage will 'practice' using the equipment to insure a good finish product.

Tage has a large box of "raffle type" office supplies. He will transfer that to Glenn at the next available opportunity.

Close of Meeting

Meeting closed at 11:26 am