

Attendance: Geoff Anthony, Bruce Campbell, Tage Erikson, Will Everitt, Jim Gore, Jack Lutz, Joe Martin, Guy Mason, Glenn Mitchell, Tom Oxnard, Jim Seroskie

## **President's Opening Remarks**

Glenn shared short reflections on a successful convention. We now have a quarterly event and elections coming up.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Jim shared his report via email. We received \$2,933 from the convention raffle. Jim suggested moving \$2,000 into the moneymarket to help earn money. Glenn supported that and reminded us we will receive more funds from the convention. Our total assets are over \$16,000. Will motioned and Jim Gore seconded acceptance of the report. Unannimous acceptance.

### Secretary's Report

Jeff moved, Tox seconded acceptance of the minutes of last meeting. Unannimous acceptance.

## **Switch Tower Report**

The Switch Tower is ready to be posted. Glenn said he will share it with our division once it's posted to our website. Stories include content on convention the election, and more!

## **Membership Report**

Bruce emailed his report. We have 149 members. There was a short discussion about the possibility of our membership increasing after the convention. These numbers are prior to the convention.

### **Webmaster Report**

Dave was not present but Glenn said he will likely email his report.

#### **Chip Faulter Fund Report**

Tage had no news to report.

## **AP Program Report**

Tom sent a report to the Switch Tower. Six people at the convention received certificates, including John McHugh's MMR! Chuck Cole and Will Everitt received Chief Dispatcher. Jay received structures.

# **Nomination Committee Report**

Bruce sent out the slate via email. The Slate includes Tom Oxnard (MMR), Jay Ehlen, and Joe Martin. Jim moved the slate. Geoff seconded. Unanimously accepted.

We all thanked Guy Mason for his service as he steps down as a director.

Glenn reminded folks that he and Jay are stepping down as President and Vice President, respectively, although they are still are still serving as directors. We will need to identify new leadership and need people to step up in January.

## **NER Board Meeting Report**

Glenn reported that NER will be 2028 national convention hosts in Rochester, NY. This is exciting for our region. Tom said there is a new NMRA logo coming that may affect us. Tage reported that the 2026 NER convention is in Southbridge, Massachusetts, hosted by HUB, Nutmeg, and Little Rhody. Glenn said the 2027 convention may be in Vermont in the spring, and Green Mountain Division will need extra help.

## **Activities Chair Report**

Jay was not present. Our event is this Saturday in Rochester, NH. We have two clinics, a wrap up of the convention and layouts to tour. In the winter, we will be at Westbrook, Maine, January 3 (backup) or January 17. Tage will support Seacoast at the Great Falls show on October 11 with help from Peter. Also, Southern Maine show on November 1 in Westbrook, Maine, with help from Tom. He will also be at Eastern Maine show on November 22, with help from Jack.

## YouTube Video Channel Report

Jim reported that we exceeded 30,000 views total which is encouraging. Jim has been dividing up our videos as "discrete" videos vs. just posting up the full meeting video. These and the convention videos have helped our channel take off.

# **Convention Committee Report**

Tage shared some data and info from his Concord Flyer powerpoint which he will be sharing at the event on Saturday. We had 172 attendees, including 44 Seacoast members!

### **New Business:**

#### • Zoom vs. YouTube

Will and Jim proposed using YouTube over Zoom for future events. This would allow us to Livestream and also give us more quality video and better video. There is chat capability with YouTube, too. They proposed to move this next event in January (not this Saturday/October event). Tom shared that there were panel discussions via Zoom. There seemed to be agreement that Will and Jim should continue to explore and move forward with this for January.

The next BOD meeting is Thursday, November 20, 1 p.m.

Glenn also took a poll whether NERx is too long. Many people agreed with him that 4 days is too long and some questioned, post pandemic, whether we should do it at all.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

Faithfully submitted, Will Everitt Secretary (207) 671-1315