

Board of Directors
Minutes: March 7, 2015
Durand Union Station, Durand, Michigan

Present: Eric Schiller, Mark Cowles, Henry Burger, Dan Kempf, ,Bob Warrick, Don Maddock, Keien Eich, Hugh Hornstein, Dave Harrell

1. The meeting was convened at 10:25 am.
2. The minutes of December 6, 2014 were approved as printed.
3. Report
 - A. The Journal was reviewed
 - B. The Bank Statements were reviewed by Don Maddock.
 - C. The Membership report was reviewed. There were 153 paying members
 - D. Hornstein moved. with Cowles supporting, approval of the treasurer's report. Motion carried.
3. Train Show report
 - A.. Dan Kempf reported that there were \$471 in sales at the Saline Train Show. B. We discussed possible new items for sale. Dave showed his GLC GP-38-2, and suggested we could sell those for \$175. He also showed a metal plate with an early Ann Arbor Railroad logo. These were not used. Dave will follow up with Roy Caven regarding t-shirts and sweatshirts, Kevin will follow up with getting the materials necessary to publish additional copies of Cut and Run,. He wills also contact Craig Wilson regarding speaking at the Annual Meeting and what happened to Arndt's photo collection. Dan will follow up on talking with model makers regarding flat cars and/or Russell Snowplows
 - C. Kevin will order 5 additional copies of The Ann Arbor in Color books
5. Hugh reported there were no mail order sales since the last meeting.
6. Annual Meeting plans - September 12, 2015

Dave reported that the room reservation and catering reservation were confirmed. We discussed possible speakers. The following names or ideas were suggested: Clare Station, Frank Boles on the archives and how to use them. Steam Railroading Institute, Craig Wilson. Dave also noted to himself that Daryl Homes had been contacted.
7. Publications
 - A. Don reported that the text of the next (Summer) Double A was 3/4 done, but he is still looking for photos of the early AARR diesels. Discussion followed on possible sources.
 - B..Mark reported that he has the black and white photos for th enxt calendar are ready but he still needs color photos. Discussion followed on possible sources.

8. Website report - Henry reported on resolving the capacity problem for now. Lots of discussion after that.

9. Old Business

A. Dave reported on some additional happenings regarding bargaining for a new DUSI lease/ no progress/

B/ Bob reported on the Clare "Buy a brick project" Dan moved with Henry supporting to buy a \$200 brick. Motion carried.

C. Dave reported that the baggage car is now in the middle of the DUSI lease discussions and that we should wait on moving forward with that project.

D. We discussed filing the one additional board seat. Christ Foondle was suggested. Dave will contact him and report back.

E. We discussed possible sales of the John Boardman photos. Don suggested that we delay that until they have been used in the Double A.

10. New Business - Eric described a computer program to help with locating Annual Meeting close to member population centers.

11. The next meeting will be on May 9, 2015 at Kevin's home in Grand Haven.

12. The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

David R Harrell
President