

METRO EAST MODEL RAILROAD CLUB
Minutes of the August 7, 2025 meeting

Commencement: The meeting opened at 6:30 pm at the Glen Carbon Library.

Present: John Manfredi, Tom Johnson, Leandro Delgado, Felix Guenther, Mike Knox, Ross Abbott, Mark Bauer, Bill Birdsell, George Shindel

Minutes: The minutes of the July 2025 meeting were approved without corrections.

Treasurer's report: The Treasurer report was \$5145.86 in the share account and \$686.38 in the checking account.

Correspondence:

- * None.

Projects:

- * Rewiring of malfunction junction is in progress with aim to prevent collisions and open switch running.
- * Switches 38, 63, and 67 needs work or a checkup.

Unfinished/Old business:

- * Next Open House is 27 September 2025 at 10 am to 3pm
- * The Museum had an Open House on July 17, 5-7pm. We had some visits to the layout.
- * No word has been received about the possibility of Glenfest.

Events:

- * National Narrow-Gauge Convention, 3-6 September 2025, Gateway Convention Center, Collinsville IL
- * Boeing Employees' Railroad Club Swap Meet, 6 September 2025, 10am-3pm, Greensfelder Recreation Complex, Queeny Park, St. Louis MO
- * Pacific Eagles Train Show, 20 September 2025, 10am-3pm, Pacific Eagles Hall, Pacific MO.
- * Greater St. Louis Metro Area Train Show, 11-12 October 2025, Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 10am-3pm, St. Louis Community College, Kirkwood MO.
- * Gateway Division, NMRA Model Train Meet, 1 November 2025, 9am-3pm, VFW Post Collinsville IL.
- * Dupo Train Show, 15 November 2025, 9:30am-2pm, American Legion Hall, Dupo IL
- * The Great Train Show, Gateway Convention Center, Collinsville IL, 29-30 November 2025.

New Business:

- * The museum layout received more trees, a pumpkin patch, a corn field, and some flowers.
- * Bill Birdsell had some cars for people and for the club.
- * The Chicago and Eastern Historical Society visited the layout as part of the museum open house and enjoyed it.

Adjournment: There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Minutes taken and prepared by John Manfredi, as Secretary.