

# FRIENDS OF THE NEVADA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM

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## VIRGINIA AND TRUCKEE DIVISION

P.O. Box 1330  
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MINUTES OF THE April 3, 2023  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
FRIENDS OF THE NEVADA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM  
NEVADA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM, CARSON CITY

**Call to order** - Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

**Roll Call** – Trustees present were:

- Todd Moore - President
- Rebecca Bevans - Vice President
- Rick Bieniek - Treasurer
- Gary O’Leary - Secretary
- Bill Barbe
- Rick Kohler
- Ron Allen
- Dave Squire
- Michael McClain

A quorum was established.

Representing the museum were Dan Thielen and Adam Michalski.

**Secretary’s Report** –

Minutes of the February 6, 2022 regular meeting were approved after a motion to approve was made by Bill Barbe, second by Dave Squire and passed by the Board of Trustees.

**Correspondence** – None

**Treasurer’s report** – See attached report. Motion to approve made by Dave Squire, seconded by Rick Kohler. Motion passed. Rick Bieniek reported Quick Books is now in use. Treasurer discussed moving cash from savings account to a certificate of deposit. The Treasurer was directed to prepare a proposal for investments to be presented at the next meeting. After discussion about the Great Western Steam Up Michael McClain moved the account be shut down and the funds place in the checking account. The motion

was seconded and passed.

Rick will check with the accountant to be sure there are no conflicts or penalties. A proposal for CD investments will be discussed at the next meeting. Rick also reported he has expended 27% of the Lyon cab budget for consumable materials.

### **President's Report:**

Todd Moore reported on the meeting with Friends of the museum at Boulder City. The meeting was positive with a lot of good information exchanged. It was decided meeting will be held quarterly with a goal of furthering goals of both Friends Organization.

Todd Moore reported the legislative open house was a success with great exposure to legislators, elected and appointed officials.

Todd Moore discussed committee schedules and proposed the meetings be held on Mondays of the month there is no board meeting. Todd proposed Admin and fundraising committee meet on the first Monday, Events on the second Monday, Membership on the third Monday and Communications on the fourth Monday. All meeting could be attended via zoom.

## **OLD BUSINESS –**

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Administration Committee: Rick Kohler/Barry Simcoe**

Directors and Officers insurance – Gary O’Leary presented a proposal to purchase directors and officers. There was discussion about getting two or three proposals prior to purchasing a policy. Rebecca Bevins moved the purchase of a D&O policy with a cap of \$750.00, Bill Barbe seconded the motion and the motion was passed by the board.

**Audit committee-** No Report

**Bricks –** No Report

#### **Events Committee: Rebecca Bevins/Dave Squire**

Mark Twain Days/Steampunk Event Rebecca Bevins discussed running steam train from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM. The Black Irish band will be playing. Admission will be controlled by wrist bands. Rotary Beer Wagon will be on site along with Valley Eats. Possible run the McKeen car from 10:00 AM until 2:00PM. Sunday is a regular steam train day.

Dave Squire reported a beta test for the Motor Car Camp is scheduled for May 6&7, 2023. After some discussion Bill Barbe moved the expenditure of not more than \$400.00 for food and drink for the camp. The motion was seconded by Rick Kohler and the motion passed by vote of the board.

Dave Squire reported the Motor Car Camp is scheduled for September 23–24, 2023.

Dave Squire reported on the Great Western Motorcar Roundup. The date is yet to be set.

A meeting with Visit Carson City is scheduled later this week. Dave Squire, Todd Moore and Dan Thielen will meet to develop a budget.

**Rail Camp- Bill Kohler** – Bill Kohler reports camp is sold out,

**Fund Raising-Bill Barb** –

Bill Barbe has a list of organizations to solicit for grants. Bill will be reviewing the list to determine likely sources for grants.

**V&T 150/Great Western Steam Up** –

Account is being closed and funds moved to checking account.

**Capital Campaign Committee-** No Report

**Interpretive Committee** – No Report

**Bylaw Committee** - No Report

**Membership Committee** –

Michael McClain reported on Wild Apricot report formats. Wild Apricot is still being fine tuned to meet needs of the FNSRM.

**Motor Car Operations-** No Report

**Steam Train Operations-** No Report

**Sagebrush Headlight-** No Report

**Website** - No Report

**Youth Committee** – No Report

**Elections-** No Report

**Other Old Business-**

Michael McClain reported that the application for patent had been denied. Todd Moore will reach out for referrals for patent attorneys to help get our application through the US patent office.

**New Business-**

Museum Requests: Dan Thielen discussed the need for a replacement fork lift for the museum, Dan Thielen described the need in detail, Dan Thielen requested \$10,000 be donated by the FNSRM toward the cost of the purchase of a replacement forklift, Bill Barbe moved and Rebecca Bevins seconded the motion to approve the \$10,000 donation. The motion was passed by the Board of Trustees.

The purchase of business cards for the members of the board was discussed. All agreed the business cards are a good idea. The sticking point is the logo placed on

the business cards. Bill Barbe will work to get some logo proposals together. Todd Moore tasked the Communications committee with branding for business cards, banners, hats etc.

## GENERAL COMMENTS –

Ed Daub discussed the brick program. Ed has received brick information and is familiarizing himself with the data in an effort to make the brick locations more accessible.

## ADJOURNMENT-

Respectfully Submitted,

*Gary O'Leary*

Gary O'Leary, Secretary

Friends of the Nevada State Railroad Museum  
Board of Trustees  
Effective February 13, 2023

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