2018 RMD Annual Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm. on November 3, 2018, by President Pat Green at the Colorado Mountain Brewery in Colorado Springs.

Those in attendance were Doug Summer and Fran, Doug and Ginni Davlin, Richard Reiff and Pat Duffy, Jim Stone, Brian Delaplaine, Steve and Ed Jaroscak, Pat Green, Jerry Geiger, Chris Weaver, Al, Joseph, and Jennifer Rodi, John and Donna Spiro.

The 2017 meeting minutes were read back to the group by John Spiro and were approved as read by the membership in attendance.

The Treasurer's report was given by John Spiro.

- Beginning balance \$12,251.00; Ending Balance \$12,704.90; Gain of \$453.90 for 2018
- EC J. Geiger made us \$150 for his excursion
- EC J. Keeling made us \$5 for his excursions
- EC R. Reiff lost \$210 for his excursion
- EC's P. Walters & A. Borchard made us \$50 for their narrow gauge rides
- We had 48 members for 2018

The report was approved as read by the membership in attendance.

New Business

Geiger reported that Leadville may change proposed excursion dates to weekend only rides due to the track maintenance. He is planning excursions in July and September and may have to rent port-a-potties if a large group signs up. This will raise the cost of the run.

Reiff reported the SLRG ride and concert went well but stressed he needs more RMD members to participate. He will work with Geiger to do a possible bundle of Colorado excursions to possibly help gain more operators for his SLRG ride. Probable excursion dates in July. The Towner line is still out of service; no plans at this time for an excursion

John Spiro, after talking with Philip Walters about possible narrow gauge rides, reported Philip plans late May/early June for both railroads and probably mid to late August for rides if Bernie Ledon does not run the White Pass and Yukon in July. If Bernie runs in July, Phillip will scratch the May/June ride and will only do an early Fall run on both narrow gauge railroads. Probable dates in late September.

Creede Branch news: Jon Keeling no longer wishes to be an EC. Don Shank reports the railroad sale is progressing but does not expect it to be finalized until late 2019 or early 2020. Good news is we should still be able to run the Creede Branch this upcoming ride season but we can no longer can use the member policy insurance for work parties. If we want to run or work on the railroad he needs the full NARCOA insurance of \$10,000,000, to protect him and his railroad. John Spiro will try and plan a work party for Memorial Day weekend and a work party/excursion over the 4th of July four-day weekend with full NARCOA insurance for both weekends. Richard suggested lumping Leadville, SLRG, and the Creede branch together on the 4th of July week.

New Excursions, Richard to contact the Great Western RR and Al Rodi to contact Kyle about running out of Limon, Colorado.

Old Business

Discussion was held regarding EC's paying the excursion fee on excursions they put on. Doug Davlin proposed changing the by-laws to include language that clearly states that EC's do not pay excursion fees on rides that they put on. Pat Green will work on wording for this proposal to amend the by-laws. The membership in attendance accepted this action without further approval.

Election of Officers

Pat Green volunteered to stay on as President, Jennifer Rodi volunteered to be the Secretary/Treasurer, and Richard Reiff volunteered to stay on as a Director at Large. By acclamation these volunteers were elected to the BOD for 2019.

The meeting was adjorned at 2:05 p.m. Nov 3, 2018.