



AUGUST 2007 Monthly Meeting Minutes

Meeting: August 15th, 2007

Location: Headquarters

-THE AUGUST 15TH, 2007 MEETING OF THE ALTO MODEL TRAIN MUSEUM ASSOCIATION WAS HELD AT CLUB HEADQUARTERS AND OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY PRESIDENT GEORGE THOMPSON.

-THE MINUTES OF THE JULY MEETING WERE READ AND APPROVED AS READ.

-HARRY YOUNG GAVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT. THE TOTAL IN ALL THREE ACCOUNTS IS \$22,413.09. GREGG MILLER QUESTIONED USING MONEY IN THE BUILDING FUND FOR EXPENSES AND EXPRESSED THE OPINION THAT MONEY SHOULD NOT BE USED FROM THAT FUND. HARRY YOUNG SAID THE MONEY CAN BE MOVED BACK TO THE BUILDING FUND. RON KENNEDY QUESTIONED WHERE PROFITS APPEAR ON THE TREASURER'S REPORT. HARRY EXPLAINED THE "INCOME" LINE INCLUDES ANY PROFIT EARNED. GEORGE THOMPSON QUESTIONED THE \$11,648 EXPENSE REPORT FROM THE JULY MINUTES AND HARRY YOUNG VERIFIED AS CORRECT FOR ALL PURCHASES SINCE JANUARY 2005. AFTER QUESTIONS WERE ANSWERED THE TREASURER'S REPORT WAS APPROVED AS READ.

OLD BUSINESS:

-DON GOEBEL REPORTED ON THE TTOS CONVENTION. FINAL REGISTRATION WAS 177 WITH ABOUT 230 PEOPLE ATTENDING- EVERYONE HAD A GREAT TIME, LOVED ALTOONA AND THE TRAIN DISPLAYS. THE SUNDAY SHOW WAS A SUCCESS WITH OVER 500 PEOPLE ATTENDING. GEORGE THOMPSON SUGGESTED WE THANK THE ALTOONA MIRROR FOR THE EXCELLENT COVERAGE. DON GOEBEL SAID HE WAS APPROACHED ABOUT A POSSIBLE 3 DAY SHOW - PERHAPS IN CONJUNCTION WITH RAILFEST NEXT YEAR. GEORGE QUESTIONED THE GATE FROM THE SUNDAY SHOW - \$2,228.46 GOES TO THE AMTMA COFFERS. JOYCE THOMPSON SUGGESTED THE GROUPS WHO BROUGHT LAYOUTS BE COMPENSATED- DON SAID THE TTOS SHOULD TAKE CARE OF THAT- GEORGE T. FELT OUR CLUB SHOULD DO THIS - WILL MAKE A MOTION UNDER NEW BUSINESS. GEORGE ASKED DON G. TO CHECK TO SEE IF THE ALTOONA MODEL RR ASSOCIATION WAS COMPENSATED- WE COULD ALSO DO SOMETHING FOR THEM.

-GEORGE T. SAID TWO SECURITY CAMERAS WERE PURCHASED AT THE CONVENTION WITH BOARD APPROVAL. THEY WILL BE USED AT LAKEMONT.

-RON KENNEDY PASSED ON A SUGGESTION FROM MIKE TUREK THAT WE HAVE A THOMAS THE TANK ENGINE SIGN FOR DISPLAY - GEORGE SAID HE COULD PROBABLY REFIT A TRAIN DISPLAY USED FOR CHURCH BIBLE SCHOOL.

-GREGG MILLER SUGGESTED MOVING OUR SALE MERCHANDISE TO THE O BUILDING AT LAKEMONT SINCE THAT BUILDING IS OPEN MORE OFTEN.



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-GREGG MILLER REPORTED THAT LIONEL WILL SELL US BLANKS FOR TRAIN CARS AND WE COULD DO SMALLER AMOUNTS OF FOUR DIFFERENT CARS – SOMETHING TO THINK OF FOR THE FUTURE FOR FUND RAISING- WE COULD DO BOTH AN O AND AN S CAR. DON GOEBEL SAID WEAVER WILL DO RUNS OF ONLY 100 CARS.

-GEORGE T. SUGGESTED WE NOT TRY TO SCHEDULE A PICNIC NOW – PERHAPS IN THE FALL.

-GEORGE T. DISPLAYED A LETTER FROM TTOS CONFIRMING RE-IMBURSEMENT TO OUR CLUB FOR REGISTRATION.

NEW BUSINESS

-DON GOEBEL SUGGESTED WE INVESTIGATE HAVING A SHOW NEXT YEAR-A COMBINED EFFORT WITH THE TTOS AND AMTMA- WE SHOULD BEGIN THINKING ABOUT IT. GREGG MILLER SAID IT COULD BE ADVERTISED AS A TTOS SHOW BUT IF WE START WE SHOULD CONTINUE EACH YEAR AND SHOULD HAVE INFO OUT BY THE FIRST OF NEXT YEAR IF WE DECIDE TO TRY IT. GEORGE T EXPRESSED THE OPINION THAT TRAIN SHOWS IN THE SUMMER ARE MORE DIFFICULT.

-GEORGE T ASKED FOR A MOTION TO GIVE \$50.00 TO GROUPS WHO BROUGHT LAYOUTS TO THE TTOS CONVENTION AND STAYED FOR SUNDAY. GREGG MILLER MADE MOTION BUT FELT WE SHOULD WAIT FOR THE FINAL FIGURES FROM TTOS. HARRY YOUNG MOVED WE DONATE THE \$50.00 TO THE GROUPS AND GABE PELLEGRINI SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

-GEORGE T. THANKED ALL WHO HELPED WITH THE CABINETS AT 29TH ST. GABE PELLEGRINI QUESTIONED IF ALL ITEMS ON DISPLAY ARE INSURED AND IF THE VALUE OF EQUIPMENT EXCEEDS \$25,000. GEORGE EXPLAINED MOST ITEMS ON DISPLAY BELONG TO CLUB MEMBERS AND NOT THE AMTMA.

-TIM BLACK REPORTED HE IS WORKING ON A G SCALE AND STANDARD GAUGE DISPLAY.

-THE 50-50 WAS WON BY SAM VERGONA.

-MOTION TO ADJOURN BY GREGG MILLER AND SECONDED BY HARRY YOUNG.

-THERE WERE TWELVE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE.



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-GEORGE THOMPSON SUGGESTED THE CLUB PAY REGISTRATION FEES FOR CLUB MEMBERS WHO WILL WORK AT THE TTOS CONVENTION, A MOTION WAS MADE BY HARRY YOUNG AND SECONDED BY RICH VINGLAS . THE MOTION WAS APPROVED. MEMBERS MUST FILL OUT A REGISTRATION FORM AND GIVE TO GEORGE.

-GREGG MILLER SAID WE NEED TO AUDIT THE BOOKS AS PART OF THE BY-LAWS. HENRY STREILEIN, GENE BETTWY AND GREGG MILLER WILL AUDIT THE BOOKS BY NEXT MEETING.

-DON GOEBEL SUGGESTED WE HOST BUSINESS AFTER HOURS IN FEBRUARY. ROD YOUNG MOVED WE DO SO AND GREGG MILLER SECONDED THE MOTION. GREGG SUGGESTED A CEILING ON THE AMOUNT THE CLUB WILL SPEND FOR FOOD. DON SUGGESTED A CATERER AND SAID THE EVENTS GET AROUND 100 PEOPLE. GREGG SAID WE NEED TO HAVE INFO ABOUT OUR CLUB AND GOALS TO HAND OUT. GREGG MOVED WE PUT A \$300.00 CEILING ON THE FOOD EXPENDITURE AND HARRY YOUNG SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED.

-DOTTIE VINGLAS MOVED TO ADJOURN, RON KENNEDY SECONDED THE MOTION. MEETING ADJOURNED.

THERE WERE 18 MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE.