

General Meeting Minutes – December 9, 2017

Meeting brought to order by Dr. Mike Hartshorne

Treasurer's Report – John Gibbons

Total Cash Assets, November 4, 2017	\$202,293.53
Deposits	\$ 5,222.45
Expenditures (Miscellaneous)	\$ 3,515.17
Total Assets December 2, 2017	\$204,000.81
Less Encumbered Cash	\$ 91,216.13
Free Cash	\$112,784.68

This report was received, reviewed and filed for audit.

CMO Report – Rick Kirby

First of all the tool car has been moved from a siding into the shop area of Sea Island Passenger Car Services. He is arranging a time for a crane to pick up the car to remove the trucks.

Temporary ones will be put in place or it will be on heavy blocks. As of this week the crane was scheduled to be there on Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

There is a generator on site that Rick has been inquiring about. Turns out the owners sold the car minus this generator which was purchased in 2011 and has only 2000+/- hours on it. We have made an offer on it.

Next will be a call to Railinc to get the reporting mark changed. Rick will start that process next week.

We're having bad luck regarding the electrical work needed prior to steam up. Rick spoke with Bill Reass and he indicated his LANL work wrapped up this week. If need be Rick may ask John Howard to come in and help out for a few days, if he has time, and have a contractor here to run conduit and pull wire.

During steam-up Rick would like to test our appliances and the dynamos.

Don MacCornack has an electrician that he can call to see if he's interested.

CSO Report – Jon Spargo

There will be a new member orientation on Saturday, December 16 beginning at 0900 in the reefer conference area. This will definitely be the last new member orientation for 2017. As a reminder persons taking the orientation safety lecture in the last quarter of the year are not required to take the annual safety refresher in January and February.

We have set dates for the Annual Safety Review for Saturday, January 20 and Saturday February 17. The 20th will be at the Local 412 Union Hall at 510 San Pedro Dr. SE Albuquerque New Mexico 87108. Doors will open at 7:30 AM with burritos provided. Please be on time so you can sign in and get your sticker for the new year. The meeting will start at 0800 and last about an hour or less so we can get back to work on site. The February 17 class time and place to be determined at a later date. This year's topic is "Things You Should and Should Not Do Around a HOT Steam Engine!"

Fundraising Report – Dr. Mike Hartshorne

1. Smith's Community Reward card charity (Kroger) **\$75.53 8-23-17** (new customer sign up required) We've received the quarterly report and it's pretty low as it seems people need to renew with our new NPO number which is **JK328**. Please help out the charity of your choice by donating somewhere, even if not us.
2. SmileAmazon.com: We get 0.5% of qualified purchases. (**\$73.38 on 8-22-17**) (**\$66.06 on 11-15-17**)
3. Benevity self-certification 8-13-17 done
4. United Way \$23.09 on 10-24-17 **\$23.06 on 11-28-17**
5. BNSF Foundation grant request for \$40,000 to support testing submitted by Chuck Mangold.
6. Go Fund Me campaign = \$87K+
7. 2017 Christmas card campaign. Printing, envelopes, postage, labels and insert to be mailed out on 12-1-17.
8. Piñon Express: Expected payment of \$750 after program ends in December 2017.
9. Tom E. Dailey grant research in progress by Chuck Mangold.

All future requests should be for operating expenses when possible. This increases flexibility of fund expenditures.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting – January 13, 2018 @ 8:30 AM on the RIP site.

Submitted by,

Gail Kirby

Secretary, NMSL&RHS