

All Points North Model Railroad Club

Minutes of Membership Meeting

Saturday, January 20, 2007

Meeting was called to order by the President at 10:35 AM. Present were Duane Darling, President; Mike Kremheller, VP; Barry Cottrell, Treasurer; Bob Miller, Secretary; and John Christiansen, Member at Large. In addition, 13 other members in good standing were in attendance; consequently a quorum was present to conduct business. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as presented.

The floor was then turned over to Charlie Richmond, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, to conduct the election of officers. Charlie announced that the committee's slate had changed in that Duane had elected not to stand for office and the committee had inserted Rich Clayton on the slate as Member at Large. Nominations were invited from the floor, but none were offered. Motion was then made, seconded, and passed unanimously to elect the slate as offered; that is: John Christiansen for President, Mike Kremheller for VP, Barry Cottrell for Treasurer, Bob Miller for Secretary, and Rich Clayton for Member at Large.

John Christiansen reported on progress of the liquidation of Stephen Foster's inventory. We have thus far raised \$381 for Laura, with quite a few items still to be offered at the SanJac show and/or EBay. The SanJac show will be on February 10th, and APN will have a table set up.

Charlie Richmond suggested the club buy 6 bridges for use at the entrance to the layout and this suggestion was accepted by the membership.

Proposals were offered and accepted by the membership for extension of the sawmill area and the creation of a maintenance of way facility along the north wall.

Barry Cottrell offered a financial review for 2006 and projection for 2007. APN remains financially sound. As the layout fund is not being used as rapidly as initially expected, a proposal was offered to postpone the 2007 and 2008 assessments until a later date. Barry will prepare a report and have a recommendation at the February meeting.

Rich Clayton reported on preparations for APN's first operating session scheduled for February 3rd. Much work has been put into making the preparations, and everything is coming together well. Expectation is for a good turnout.

A discussion was held on the progression and direction of layout. The problems seem to be with the sequence of which items need to be completed prior to other work being started. Given that all work is voluntary and on a time available basis, the project is going better than could be expected. Comments were offered as to problems with other clubs that APN have thus far avoided. While there were specific items criticized, the membership is pleased with our accomplishments.

John Christianson offered thanks to the membership for their confidence in him and gave a brief outline of his expectations for the coming year. He stated that he expects to reappoint the present committee personnel and expects to create another committee to look into status of the maintenance of our facilities and any needed improvements that may exist. He urged all members take an active hand in the club.

There being no further business to come before the membership the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
R. E. Miller, Secretary