

Apple Valley Model Railroad Club

Meeting Minutes

May 22, 2024

President's Remarks (Rob Wright):

A film crew from Brevard will be at the depot on Sunday May 26 from 6AM to 6PM using the depot as a backdrop. Will not need access to the Club.

Elections for President and Vice President are coming up in October. The Secretary and Treasurer 2 year cycle puts those elections in 2025.

Mentors list could use some additional volunteers.

EMS training will be provided Wednesday June 26th at 10:30 AM.

Ed Heeg is rejoining the club and will offer a first Wednesday lunch for 12 people for approx. \$2-3 on a sign-up basis. He will put up a sign-up sheet to be filled out by Saturday prior to the first Wednesday lunch.

If you bring in a locomotive from home and leave it on the layout, make sure your name is on it.

Vice President (Bill Davies): May 31-June 1 is the Johnson City train show.

Secretary (Brad Jones): no report

Treasurer (Larry Morton): \$1017 monthly income received. \$9225 received YTD. Expenses were \$496 for the month and \$6168 YTD.

Club Christmas party will be December 10th at the Burnt Shirt vineyards.

Ombudsman (Dave Simmons): no report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership: (Chuck Place): Ed Heeg membership was reinstated. Peter Duranbaunt was voted in as a new member.

Next month we have three probationary members to vote on for membership. Cole Easton, Mike Scuderi and Boyd Bender.

Two new applications have been received. Mark Salsieder and John Sharp.

Mentor Program (Ken O'Brien): need to encourage people to Participate.

Good and Welfare (Earl Hall): absent

HO Operations (Ben Bartlett): absent. Ken Obrien updated us on the Op session held yesterday. We had a good turnout of members. Problems with the computer monitors caused an early shutdown of the session.

A Scalettrains GP 30 is being ordered.

Electrical/DCC (Dan Lang): Turnout 9 in the Asheville yard has an intermittent failure to operate issue.

The telegraph key spring has been repaired.

One of the clubs UT6D throttles was found left in the Asheville division and had been left on. The battery was run down.

Dan gave a talk on how to wirelessly connect to the club layout without plugging in your throttle.

Scenery (Terry Ketcham): Ground cover in the Asheville division has been refreshed and the Piedmont is being refreshed next.

Ed Clark is looking at restoring the Asheville car position LED to operation. He has also put a motor in the water wheel on the upper level as well as adding a motorized and lit dance in a barn on the upper level. A suggestion was made to add these two features to the scavenger hunt. He has upgraded the Hendersonville house on fire to make the fire more animated.

Outdoor Layout (Larry Williams): Renovations are nearly completed.

Club Computers (Dave Hull): A new wide screen wrap around style computer monitor is being considered to replace the two failing monitors used in the operating sessions.

Replacement telegraph keys are being purchased.

City Liaison (John Ryan): absent

Facilities (Terry Ketcham): recognition was given to Iver Jeter and Dave Simmons for their vacuuming the carpets.

This Sunday the film crew will be doing costume changes in the front community room. Will not be accessing the club layout. Andrea Larson the cleaning lady has been notified of the potential conflict with her cleaning schedule.

The carpet in front of Hendersonville is a tripping hazard. Larry Morton is going to fix this issue right away.

Engineer In Training: (Chuck Place: This month's session is being cancelled.

Forms are available in the office to sign up for EIT.

Sales and Donations (Pete Bain, Steve Anderson, Kevin McGill): Some O scale items have come in on a donation.

Our next show at the AG center is November 15-16. This will be 2 weeks before Thanksgiving.

OTHER ITEMS

A group tour from Arden Woods will set up in July.

A 7-year-old boy is wanting assistance in setting up a layout at his home. His father will pay expenses. Ray Baldwin and Mike Whitaker volunteered to assist.

Next week is the 5th Wednesday program. Carl Hill will be talking about the history of the depot.

Mark Elston is working on website issues caused by a Go daddy update.

Tom Haggerty discussed Basic Modeling 101 and will be getting schedules and classes set up shortly.

Misc.

Next Meeting June 26th at 10AM.

Fifth Wednesday program is May 29th at 10AM

Old Business None

New Business None

Attenders: 35 were present

Meeting ended at 11:05 am.