

Midwest Region of the National Model Railroad Association
Board of Directors Meeting October 7 2018
Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by Midwest Region President Studley at 11:08 AM.

Secretary McGeever called the roll.

Board members present:

President Studley, Vice President Kahrs, Treasurer Thomsen, Secretary McGeever.
Directors at Large: Children, Peterson, Allen.
Division Superintendents: DPD Schubert, FVD Hirvela, IVD Tatum, RRVD Mosny, CID Hinel.
Division Representative: ITD Tschopp
Past President Mangan proxy Gary Children.
Director at Large Dings proxy Mike Shockley.
Director at Large Bob Landwehr proxy Jim Landwehr.
WISE Division Director Joe Russ proxy Gary Children.

The minutes of the April 14 2018 Annual Meeting of the Membership of the MWR were reviewed.
Motion by Peterson, second by Mosny to approve with friendly amendment by Thomsen.
Motion carried unanimously.
Revised minutes are attached.

The minutes of the April 15 2018 MWR BOD meeting were reviewed.
Motion by Tschopp, second by Schubert to approve with friendly amendments by Thomsen.
Motion carried unanimously.
Revised minutes are attached.

Reports:

The Committee, Director at Large, Division Directors, and Officer Reports (except the Treasurer's) in the packet were reviewed.
Motion by Mosny, second by Hirvela to approve as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed.
Motion by Children, second by Landwehr to approve as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

501C3 Project – Kahrs reported that if the MWR wants 501C3 status we will need to apply as an organization to the IRS. The National 501C3 project will yield 501C3 status for the regions. Kahrs will look into the benefits to the MWR of 501C7 vs 501C3 and report at the next BOD meeting.

MWR 2019 Convention – Kahrs presented a tentative schedule for the joint MWR-TLR convention to be held May 17 – 19 at the Days Inn at La Crosse. Details will be published in the winter Waybill.

Reduction of Bank Account Cash – Thomsen reported distributions, no reduction has occurred. The SCWD made money on the 2018 convention. There will be no convention expense for 2019. So no reduction is anticipated in the near future.

Photo and Model Contest Entry Eligibility – The entry rules have been updated per the motions at the last MWR BOD meeting.

Kit Built Popular Vote Contest – Allen presented a sample of the ballot. Work continues on this topic. The goal is to have all Policies and Procedures updated in time for the MWR 2020 Regional Convention.

New Business:

Nominations for President, Vice President, and three Directors at Large:

Steve Studley for President, Reid Kahrs for Vice President, Gary Children for Director at Large, Jerry Peterson for Director at Large. Nomination from the floor for Jim Landwehr as the third Director at Large. The ballot will be in the winter Waybill.

MWR 2020 Convention – Shockley proposed a joint effort of IVD and ITD for a 2020 convention to be held in Peoria Illinois during the third week of May.

Motion by Kahrs, second by Children to approve.

Motion carried unanimously.

Photo Contest – Motion by Peterson second by Landwehr to update the Policies and Procedures to remove slides from the Photo contest. They explained there is no activity in this category these days.

Motion carried unanimously.

Appointments:

Appointments of Bob McGeever as Secretary, Eric Peterson as Education Chair and Dan Brewer as Nominations Chair were approved by acclamation.

Announcements:

Spring MWR BOD meeting:

Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 10:30 am (breakfast at 10 am)

VFW 9759, 2018 Windsor Road, Loves Park, Illinois, 61111

Motion by Children, second by Landwehr to adjourn.

Motion carried unanimously.