

Division 4, MCR, NMRA Monthly Minutes, Friday April 14th

Superintendent, Ron Morgan called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. He welcomed new members Mark Pkelnicy and Tom Weber. Visitor Dan Maddox was also extended a warm welcome.

A motion was made by John Hemsath, MMR®, seconded by Chuck Shick to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion was carried by the members.

A Treasurer's Report was given by Greg Noeth. Greg also mentioned that a separate account has been set up for the 2024 Convention.

Old Business- 2024 Regional Convention – Jerry Kruger/John Witt, MMR® – things are progressing right along. Bruce Bowie has got the online registration up and running. Still need to fill a few spots of volunteers. John Witt, MMR® and Scott Benson are working on layout tours and operation sessions for convention. If you'd like to have an ops session or be on the layout tour, let either one of them know.

Pittsburg Convention 2023 – Ron Morgan – Convention is right around the corner. We have 7, possibly more going to be there to represent Division 4.

Job Description – Ron Morgan/ Chuck Shick – Chuck will see who has turned in their job description paperwork and Ron will send emails to those who haven't done so yet.

T-Track – Ron Morgan/Ramhog Shearer – Ramhog has brought in a few examples of T-Track this evening. They are on the back table by the name tags. Please go back and take a look. If you are interested or have any questions about T-Track, Ramhog is happy to assist you.

Division 4 By Laws – Ron Morgan – they are still under review with the hope of finalizing soon.

New Business

Show and Tell – John Hemsath, MMR – brought in his mock up of his theater project and the actual finished product. Please stop by and take a look.

Working on Cool New Projects – Bruce Bowie – told of how he built portals for the tunnel on his layout.

Committee Reports

Flat Wheel Deadline – Chuck Shick – April 26th. If anyone is interested in taking over as Editor please speak to Chuck or Ron.

Membership – Ron Morgan – Please keep all of your information current with the NMRA.

Bill Dluback is hurting from a fall. Wife is not doing well. We need some help while he recovers.

Clinics – Jerry Kruger – tonight’s clinic is by Jerry and it’s about adding details. May will be Brent Repenning, June is Bram Bailey. Looking for fall presenters.

Company Store – Scott Benson – no report given tonight.

Raffle – Bram Bailey – lots of good stuff here, come and buy your tickets.

Module Group – Adam Woodie – no report given.

Layout Tours – John Witt, MMR® – Looking for volunteers to show their layouts for tours. Olmsted Falls Depot & Model Railroad museum will be holding it’s annual Spring Open House the last 2 weekends of April.

Contest – Joe Filipiak – March’s results for the Yard Office Contest are as follows:

Model – 1st – Joe Kurilec
 2nd – Jim Grell
 3rd – Don Glass

Diorama – 1st – Don Glass
 2nd – Art Bumpus
 3rd – Dave Lawler

Tonight’s contest is Open Hoppers, other than coal. Next month is the last contest for this year and it will be Something found on a Military Consist. June Awards will be presented. If you have any ideas for a contest, please submit them to Joe.

AP Awards – John Hemsath, MMR® – nothing tonight.

Comments and Concerns – Ron Morgan – Thanks for coming out tonight.
John Hemsath, MMR® let us know that Scott Eastburn has made 7 cars on
working towards an award for this.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Shick
Secretary, Division 4, MCR, NMRA