

Division 4, MCR, NMRA Business Meeting Minutes, May 8, 2026, North Olmsted Cabin

Superintendent, Ron Morgan opened the meeting at 6:58 pm. There were 69 members present. First visit member Barry Wilson stood introduced himself. Barry runs HO Scale and it's mostly CSX.

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the last meeting as they are. The motion was seconded and carried by the division to accept the minutes of the last meeting.

Treasurer's Report - Greg Noeth - Greg gave a balance of all the accounts. He also mentioned that money is coming in from The Great Berea Train Show and of course a few checks have been written.

Old Business:

Dayton Regional Convention - Ron Morgan - an email was sent out yesterday to remind people to sign up. There hasn't been many registering. They need 60 more rooms to be sold to make quota.

Cincinnati Regional Convention - Ron Morgan - This is in 2027. Ron and Bert are both already signed up. Get your paperwork in early, as this should be like a mini-National Convention.

National Convention Chattanooga, TN - Ron Morgan - our module groups request to display their layout has been accepted. It will be on display and running at the convention in July.

Training Event Schedule - Jerry Kruger - nothing to report

Working on any cool or new projects - Bruce Bowie made a custom sign for one of his buildings. He described how he did it. The building is on display tonight.

New Business:

Ron congratulated all the Officers and Directors who will be serving the Division for the 2026/2027 term.

Division 4 Picnic - Ron Morgan - the picnic is cancelled for this year due to NEOLS double booking.

Potential East Broad Top Trip - Bert Wisbar - This will include a tour of the facilities, a train ride, lunch, and hotel room for one night. Probably sometime in October time frame. Bruce Bowie - mentioned a possibility of sometime spent in Altoona on Day 1. Which would include a two-and-a-half-hour round house tour led by the Senior Mechanic. Three hours for other buildings that the general public doesn't normally get to see.

Potential Wahington, PA Trolley Museum Trip - Bert Wisbar - will include bus, tour, and lunch. Dinner will be on your own. This will be a one-day trip.

Committee Reports:

Flat Wheel Deadline - Don Oleksa - Articles are due May 26th. This will be the last Flat Wheel before summer break.

Membership - Craig Butler - Nothing to report tonight.

Clinics - Jerry Kruger - Tonight is JT Burke, an audio engineer from Scale Sound Systems. Next month is Bram Bailey, presenting Shaker Trollology. September is open. If interested in presenting, please let Jerry know.

Company Store - Scott Benson - Nothing to report this evening.

Raffle -Adam Woodie - All sorts of goodies over here tonight, come and get your tickets. Raffle will begin 10 minutes after the close of the meeting.

HO Module Group - Adam Woodie - Work Picnic is July 18th at the home of Pam and Scott Benson. National Convention in Chattanooga, TN is July 27th to August 2nd. Cuyahoga County Fair August 11th to the 16th. The third weekend in September at Great Northern Mall. The first weekend in October is the Great Berea Train Show.

N Scale Module Group - Ramhog Shearer - The N-Scale Modules will be at Dayton in June. Sign up for the convention through their website.

Layout Tours - John Witt, MMR - Addresses are on the front table for the tours on May 16th.

AP Awards - John Hemsath, MMR - Mark Pkelnicky received his certificate for Master Builder Cars.

Great Berea Train Show - Chris Shick/ Greg Noeth - Chris - If anyone is interested in purchasing the Great Berea Train Show t-shirts with the saying on the back, please let me know. Greg - money is coming in for the show and being deposited.

Contests - Joe Filipiak - Winners of last month's contest of Rail Car that Serves the Steel Industry are as follows:

Module	1 st - Jeff Lauren
	2 nd - Craig Butler
	3 rd - John Hemsath, MMR

Diorama	1 st - John Puch
	2 nd - Dave Lawler

There is no Contest next month. The Season's winners will be announced. Joe will also present the Next Seasons subject matter.

Dino Peris made a motion to adjourn the meeting for the evening. Fred Wagner seconded the motion. The Division carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm.

This meeting has reached its final destination,
Chris Shick
Secretary, Division 4, MCR, NMRA