General Meeting  January 2012
NMSLRHS

Date:  January 12, 2012
Location:  1833 8th St. NW, ABQ, NM 87107

Old Business: N/A

Introduction: Brought to order by Dr. Mike Hartshorne. Guests might be here today are from Silver Bullet Production from the movie The Lone Ranger and the Cub Scouts at 1 pm will be here. Minutes from December have been approved and will be on the website for viewing in a day or two.

Treasurer’s Report: by Ernie Robart

Total Cash Assets, December 10, 2011  $35134.16
Total Cash Assets, January 14, 2012  46282.27
Less Encumbered Cash*  5900.00
Free Cash  40382.27

Grant Status
*NRHS grant (for locomotive cab wood lining): $2900, expense $0.00, balance $2900
Lockheed Martin grant (for locomotive #2926 restoration): $2000, expense $0.00, balance $2000
*NM Holocaust Museum grant (for NM Remembers WWII Group): $1500, expense $1500, balance $0.00 plus our $1500 for the NM Remembers WWII Marketing Group contribution.

Checking Account Beginning Balance on December 10, 2011  $13931.35
Ending Balance on January 14, 2012  25074.07
Deposits from 12/12/11  1/10/12  13189.16
Expenses from 12/12/11  1/11/12  2046.44

Expenses were for motor oil, air filter, oil filter, antifreeze (for forklift), various bolts and hardware, used hard drive and shadow protect Train PC, monthly computer diagnostics and service, revisions to display panel #3 (Humanities), locomotive parts cleaning and welding supplies, space heater, ID badge supplies, pipe threading oil, onsite telephone bill, oxygen fill and other related supplies needed for onsite restoration.

Savings Account Balance including interest as of 12/31/11  $21158.20
Cash Box  On site  50.00

CSO Report: by Jon Spargo
As we start the New Year it is once again time to conduct our annual safety refresher training course. This year there will be two sessions. The first will be on Saturday, January 21. It will be held at Local Union 412’s union hall and will begin promptly at 09:00. The second session will be held on Saturday, February 18, at a location to be announced. Each of these sessions will last approximately one hour. All members who wish to continue working at the restoration site must attend one of these two sessions. If you are unable to attend either one of the sessions you will be required to attend a full New Member Orientation to renew your work site privileges. As always, you must also have made your annual contribution to the Society for 2012. You can check with Secretary Gail Kirby if you are not sure of your contribution status.

For members who live out of state, I will be sending an electronic version of this session along with a document that must be signed and returned to me by regular mail.

The next New Member Orientation will be held on Saturday, February 4th beginning promptly at 9
a.m. at the restoration site Reefer Conference area. Potential new members are more than welcome to attend this session. For more details you may contact me at kc5ntw@sdc.org.

John Cekala, Dave Anglen and Jon have noticed that there is an increasing frequency of members walking around inside the work area without wearing hard hats. You are reminded that our worksite is mandatory hard hat area. All members should get into the habit of automatically putting on a hard hat when entering the restoration site no matter what their reason for entering is. As stated earlier this action should be habitual. Not wearing a hard hat sets a bad example for others and also demonstrates a disregard for safety rules. If you are not in the habit of wearing a hard hat in a work environment we suggest that you get into the habit.

Another area that needs some improvement is that people have lapsed into the habit of storing stuff in front of electrical panels. You are reminded that there should be a clear and unobstructed path to each electrical panel and that there must be a clear area of at least 3 feet surrounding each panel.

CMO Report: by Rick Kirby
Rick reported this month’s report will be shorter than normal. We use these meetings to bring everyone up to date on things going on behind the scenes and upcoming projects. Bob will have some information coming out of Timken in a moment.

Of interest to most of us is preliminary work is being done for the Lone Ranger movie. Since there are train scenes the producers will be constructing several miles of track west of the Rt. 66 Casino. To pull the train cars the movers and shakers have inquired about the use of the Fort Wingate engine. As most of you know we have been trying to get someone to step up and move it to ABQ. The movie folks are willing to pay for the move and any needed repairs to make it fully functional. Al Leffler has signed a one year contract with them on behalf of Wheels. We expect the engine will eventually find its way to our site. (Since this meeting it was brought to our attention they would not be able to use this engine.)

Rick inquired as to what would become of the track materials once shooting is complete and their representative indicated he would do whatever he could to get some of it here.

Rick had a good conversation with the people in Salt Lake who will be bending some of our large piping. They had a few questions regarding the drawings that went up with the pipe and precautions he wanted them to take. He expects that project to be complete late spring.

Group of Cub Scouts and their parents are to be on the site today.

Timken Report: by Bob DeGroft
They are in the process of working on the bearings now. A spacer needs remanufactured so we may need the knowledge of a Metallurgist to help with what materials it was made from.

All the Temple drawings, except the latest ones, some 200+ have been scanned by Millard Hall. We appreciate him doing this in his spare time.

A Willard Eastman of Wheels asked if we had a full size of 2926 to hang in the shops at Wheels; about 22 feet tall. We don’t have one this tall.

John Taylor raised the question as to the status of the safety valves. CMO Rick Kirby responded that when the valves are rebuilt they will be reset to the pressures allowed pending final Form 4 calculations
as derived by Wolf Fengler.

Plans & Funding (Formerly Fundraising &/or Plots & Plans): by Andy Rutkiewic

CONTINUING EFFORTS
The BNSF Foundation Grant request for $15,000.00 is being prepared by Chuck Mangold. He expects it to be submitted by the end of January. The NM Tourism Dept Coop Marketing Grant request for $4,500.00 has been awarded to us. This grant was submitted under the theme of New Mexico Remembers World War II. The Nuclear and Holocaust museums are our collaborators and the Bataan Memorial museum is our partner. NMSLRHS will be responsible for $750.00 and the state will be responsible for $2250.00 of the cost. The funds will be used for Graphics, Print ads, a Web site and monitoring the web sites of the participants. Graphics for blog site [free], print ads, and rack cards will be complete by January 15th.

COMPLETED EFFORTS
ABQRide held a State Centennial Celebration on January 6, 2012 at 1125 hours at the Alvarado Transportation. We had an information table and blew our whistle for 30 seconds at the hour we became a state.

DEVELOPING EFFORTS
SUBIA the fabricator of our Centennial Exhibit has submitted an estimate for the fabrication of duplicate exhibits at ¥ current sizes on suitable indoor exhibit substrate. The cost would be $178.00 per framed panel for a total of $1068.00 for the entire exhibit. These exhibits would be loaned to other Railroad Museums in New Mexico that have expressed an interest. This effort has not yet been implemented. The Museum Cooperative Council of ABQ to which we belong will hold a Museum Week in concert with Savor ABQ and ABQ Centennial Celebration from June 6th to 17th 2012. ABQ will close Central from 1st Street to 10th street for the week. We will be able to display our Centennial exhibit in one of 6 pavilions on Central. We are awaiting contact by FOX 2 NM Style to interview and film our activities for a free segment on that program. When they have unsold time we will be contacted. Representatives of the NMSLRHS were in discussions with Ron Ashcroft and John Bond members of our Board of Advisors about our future operating plans and issues that need to be addressed.

New Business:
Dr. Mike will be talking to Raytheon Management in Tucson this Thursday.

Our goal for the Society is to get people to understand we ARE coming, but we re not specific yet.

Terry Q from KKOB expressed an interest on her show for an hour. Albert and John T. have worked on questions for this program.

Danny Rivera Local 412 is experiencing high unemployment. They are having a fundraiser for their distressed members. It will be a dinner/dance/silent auction. Tables will sell for $250 for a table of eight (8) and there will be ads in the program. They are hoping to raise $10,000. It will be held on February 18, 2012 from 7 11 pm at their UA Local Hall @ 510 San Pedro SE. We will set up a bucket for donations onsite.

Pete Adair Need to order some new shirts and mugs, possibly a lightweight wind breaker and bumper stickers. Pete will come up with a cash budget needed for this and present to the BoD at their next meeting.
Doyle Caton is nearing the completion of our Newsletter and should be out soon.

John Cekala  Thanks to Randy McEntire for 3M contacts and to date they donated high tech abrasives for processing the metal on the engine.

Bob DeGroft  He went down to the shops to check on our cars and the movie group moved them to the building on the south side. They are building some nice cars for the film but you can’t take photos of them due to Disney rules.

Frank Gerstle  The WWI semi was on display at Balloon Park for the weekend and they are staying one more day if anyone is interested in seeing it. It’s a nice display and worth seeing.

1/21/12  4/1/12  The Qwest for Statehood will be at the Museum of Heritage & Arts in Los Lunas.

Ken Dusenberry  1/21/12  Fire canons at targets in Socorro.

Next meeting will be 2/11/12 at 9 am at the site.

Meeting adjourned.

Prepared by Gail Kirby, Secretary NMSLRHS