

General Meeting Minutes – August 12, 2017

Meeting Called to Order - Dr. Mike Hartshorne

Treasurer's Report – John Gibbons

Total Cash Assets, July 8, 2017	\$161,221.60
Deposits	\$ 6095.10
Expenditures (Miscellaneous)	\$ 17,594.51
Total Assets August 5, 2017	\$149,722.19

This report was received, reviewed and filed for audit.

CMO Report - Rick Kirby

Since our last General Meeting much has taken place. We successfully passed our FRA hydro, more than half of the superheater bundles have been installed, our firebrick should all be in by the end of the day, and through tender air brake piping is almost complete except for a few brackets. Tender lettering is almost finished on the engineer's side.

While all this was going on, crews managed to install a new fuel oil valve and fuel oil temperature gauge. We also made progress on the forward air reservoir piping. Also new sand shields were installed on those superheaters that were missing them.

Rick has a rough figure on a tool car which would bring it up to AMTRAK mechanical standards. All work under the car and its physical structure would be inspected by an AMTRAK inspector. That figure comes to \$98,000.

The BoD has decided to launch yet another GoFundMe campaign. If we can persuade BNSF to donate a freight move to here from Kansas City, the remaining amount could come to another \$50K to outfit it with HEP AMTRAK requirements.

Today is a workday for the firebrick workers, so please keep from going into the cab for the time they are inside working and off the firing deck as well. Only those that have been helping throughout the week need to be up there and it's fast and furious work they are doing. They have done an incredibly beautiful job, and once they are done everyone should take time to look at their handiwork and thank them if they are around. These men have given of their time to volunteer putting in many hours here at the site. Thanks to Danny R.'s son-in-law, Jeremy, Jeremy's brother, Jake and Clay. Thanks to all the volunteers of 2926 that have come in daily or a day or two this week to help these guys out. They will probably have some finishing up to do next week so I may be asking for volunteers once again.

CSO Report – Jon Spargo

Since hot weather has set in we need to remind everybody to keep themselves hydrated and drink lots of water. Also, don't forget to put on some sun block.

There will be a new member orientation on Saturday, August 12 beginning at 0900 in the reefer conference area.

Fundraising – Dr. Mike Hartshorne

We've taken in more than \$7000 from the TRAINS Magazine mail-out.

We're going to be doing the GoFundMe campaign as well so look for details to follow.

2017 Open House – Dr. Mike

September 23, 2017 from 9 – 5, we have four bands, children's book seller will be on hand to sell books, four model train layouts, a BNSF engine will again be here and Tom T. and his wife are handling the parking areas this year. We need any old chairs, folding or not and some without arms so the Territorial Brass Band can use those. Food and drink will be the same. Flyers are on site you can take to your friends and neighbors.

Jon S. says there's a model train show in Socorro on August 26th and we can sell items. We did really well last year there.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting – September 9, 2017 at 7:30 AM on site

Submitted by,

Gail Kirby

Secretary, NMSL&RHS