

**Midwest Region  
National Model Railroad Association  
Annual Meeting of Members  
April 14, 2018**

**Preliminary Minutes**

The 2018 Annual Meeting of Members was called to order at 8:04pm by Stephen Studley, Midwest Region President.

The meeting minutes for the 2017 Annual Meeting of Members were approved. Moved by Bill Lawrence and seconded by Paul Mangan.

Reports:

Treasurer Keith Thomsen reported the Region is in good shape. There was \$7,300 in gross receipts and was reduced by \$1,800 to a balance of \$44,700 in cash. This is a \$3,300 reduction in assets from last year. The board has been working to distribute proceeds to the Divisions where it can be used.

A motion was called to approve the Treasurer's report, Paul Mangan made the motion and Chris Roeben seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business

None

New Business

The elections for

Director at Large

Eric Peterson, Central Illinois Division

Fred Henize, DuPage Division

Bob Landwehr, Fox Valley Division

Jim Allen, Fox Valley Division

Next Year's Regional convention will be a Dual Region Convention with the Thousand Lakes Region and will be held in La Crosse Wisconsin on May 17, 2019 – May 19, 2019.

Vice President Reid Kahrs presented the current plan he had discussed with Jerry Miller from the Dubuque Division, TLR. Regions will have their own contests. There will be Friday morning clinics and a bus will be available with lunch for viewing of layouts and other railroad sights of interest. Friday evening there will be clinics and the Thousand Lakes Regional meeting. On Saturday, there will be more clinics and a non-rail trolley car tour of La Crosse. The banquet will be held that evening with Happy Hour at 5:00, dinner at 6:00. After the banquet there will be a Chinese auction. A Chinese auction is a combination of a raffle and auction where a bidder buys tickets and then places a ticket in a bowl for

their pick to bid on. At the end of the auction, a ticket will be pulled from the bowl for the winner of that prize.

Steve Studley invited members and hoped everyone would be able to attend.

A motion was requested to adjourn the meeting. Fred Henize so moved and Grant Jensen seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm.