

Minutes of the Meeting on November 10, 2019 Board of Directors, Midwest Region, NMRA

Meeting held at Trainfest Clinic Room 4, West Allis Wisconsin

Meeting called to order at 10:30 AM by President Steve Studley

Secretary McGeever called the roll.

Present: President Steve Studley, Vice President Reid Kahrs, Treasurer Keith Thomsen, Secretary Bob McGeever, Past President Paul Mangan

Directors at Large Bob Landwehr, Eric Peterson, Jim Allen, Fred Henize proxy Pat Golden, John Coy, Jim Landwehr, Jerry Peterson proxy John Coy.

Division Directors CID Dan Hinel, DPD Patrick Golden, FVD Michael Hirvela, ITD Mike Lehman proxy Larry Tschopp, IVD Jim Tatum, MID Bob Blake, RRVD Ken Mosny, SCWD Phil Hottmann, WLD Andy Dorsch, WISE Mike Slater

Guests: Jim Osborn Election and Internet Committees Chair, Walt Herrick Photographer, David Leider Publications Chair, Clark Kooning and Gary Children

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Members held May 5 2019 were reviewed.

Motion by Magnan, second by Slater to approve as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

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The Committee reports were reviewed and discussed.

Achievements

15 more awards since last meeting.

Financial Review

We need someone to fill this function.

Clinic Clearing House

Exploring remote presentations.

Survey results show a strong preference for live clinics.

Membership

National would like to stop collecting regional newsletter fees.

Blake to investigate a method to confirm status of lifetime members carried on region membership rolls.

Publications

Strongly prefer images to be submitted in jpg file format and not embedded in documents.

Youth Fund

WISE has withdrawn request for funds made at the May BOD meeting.

The Director at Large reports were reviewed.

The Division Director reports were reviewed.

The BOD Officer reports were reviewed and discussed.

Based on discussion of the Treasurer and Secretary reports, it was agreed that it will be the policy of the BOD to channel communications to the divisions through the Division Directors.

Old Business

501C3

No activity since last meeting.

NMRA application on hold pending changes in tax code/IRS rules.

Reduction of Bank Account Cash

We made money on 2018 and 2019 conventions so cash on hand is up.

2019 Regional Convention

Region received \$2229 from convention.

2020 Regional Convention

Peoria Rocket May 14 – 17 Holiday Inn and Suites, East Peoria, IL

All schedules are tentative at this time.

Planning to have online registration through Square or similar vendor.

Advertising is started.

Website updates in process.

2021 Regional Convention

Rock River Valley identified as host.

Formal bid to host not yet submitted.

2022 Tri-Regional Convention

Indy Junction 2022

Convention will run 4 days, May 18 – 22 at Marriot East, Indianapolis, IN

Motion by Mangan, second by Slater to grant \$2000 seed money to Indy Junction.

Motion carried unanimously.

Report on Michiana Training Day

A thorough report was in the packet.

A final addendum was added.

A good concept but turnout was low

The one-day event was seen as almost as much work as the prior two-day events run by Michiana.

New Business

Website Expense

Osborn presented the three-year renewal costs for the region domain name.

Motion by Hirvela, second by Allen to spend up to \$100 to renew the MWR domain name.

Motion carried unanimously.

Director at Large Nominations

The nominations for the spring 2020 DAL election are:

Michael Roderick

Jim Allen

Eric Peterson

Walt Herrick

Gary Children

Next BOD Meeting

Sunday, May 17 2020, 10:30 AM

Peoria Rocket Regional Convention

Holiday Inn and Suites 101 Holiday Street, East Peoria, Illinois 61611

Room to be determined.

Breakfast at 9:30 AM

Motion by Mangan, second by Slater, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 12:15 PM.