

Summer 2020 Board Meeting

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 10:05 am

Introduction of Attendees

- Brad Slone, MMR – President, MCoR, Region Auctioneer
- Robert Simmons – Vice-President, MCoR, Director, Western Kansas Division
- Ryan Moats, MMR – Secretary, MCoR, Webmaster, Contest Chairman
- Robert Folkmann – Treasurer, MCoR, Scouting Merit Badge Coordinator
- John Garavaglia – Region Attorney
- Jim Senese – Director, Indian Nations Division
- John Fales – Turkey Creek Division
- Rick Liebich – Director, Kate Shelley Division
- Tony Bowen, MMR – Director, Eastern Iowa Division
- Ray Brady – Director, Kansas Central Division, CK Editor
- Doug Whetstone – Director, Central Missouri Area
- David Lowell – Director, Gateway Division
- Dennis Brandt, MMR – Director, Cowboy Line Division
- Todd Peterson – Director, Platte Valley Division
- John Rietveld – Director, Fallen Flags Division
- Gene Tacey – Director, Nebraska West Central Division
- Whit Johnson – Director, Great Midwestern Division, Membership Chairman, Convention Chairman
- Ken Ehlers – Co-chair, 2021 Regional Convention
- Craig Drenkow – Chairman, Achievement Program

Presentation of Proxies

No proxies

Quorum by region counsel

Quorum established

Last train ride

Vernon Guess	Indian Nations Division
Pat Harriman, MMR Warren Scholl	Turkey Creek Division
Robert Hoover	Chisholm Trail Division
Gene Brooks	Maple Leaf Area
Jim Anderson Richard Velten Richard Wegner	Gateway Division
Ron Williams, MMR (Former MCoR President)	Ozark Mountain Area

Reading of previous Minutes

Whit Johnson moved to accept the minutes of the last meeting as published. Robert Simmons seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Old Business

Defining Areas/Divisions

Brad thinks this is done. Ryan would like (as webmaster) an email with the proposal to understand the impact to the division portion of the regional website.

Directors Needed

Still need directors for Maple Leaf, Ozark Mountain, Northern Arkansas, Northern Oklahoma, and Southern Arkansas area. Robert Simmons to chase for volunteers. Some potential individuals were suggested during the call.

New Business

Presentation of Directors Reports

Motion made to accept the presentation of directors reports from the board package. Robert Simmons seconded. Motion carried.

New Staff Appointments

No new staff appointments announced.

Presentation of Convention Department Report

2021 Convention Update (Ken Ehlers)

2021 Joint Convention with LSR is scheduled for 6/17-6/20 at Embassy suites in Tulsa. Chuck Lind is working on clinics (currently 20 from 17 presenters). Planning 14 to 17 model railroads for tours. Planned convention rates will be \$60 for members and \$30 for spouses through March 1. Currently no discounts to those rates are planned. There will not be a train show but there will be a non-rail track. Operating sessions are being planned for beforehand on a signup basis.

Whit noted that Lone Star region has fronted \$1000 for the convention and made a motion that MCoR provide the same amount as seed money to help get the convention off the ground. Robert Simmons seconded and motion carried.

2022 Reception Plans for St. Louis

St. Louis has re-bid for the National in 2022 and has been granted, so the convention that should have been this year will be held in 2022. The exact dates for 2022 look to be more of a fall event rather than a summer event as the St. Louis National Convention committee are still looking for venues. The region is planning to still hold a reception during the convention, more coming in the future.

Future

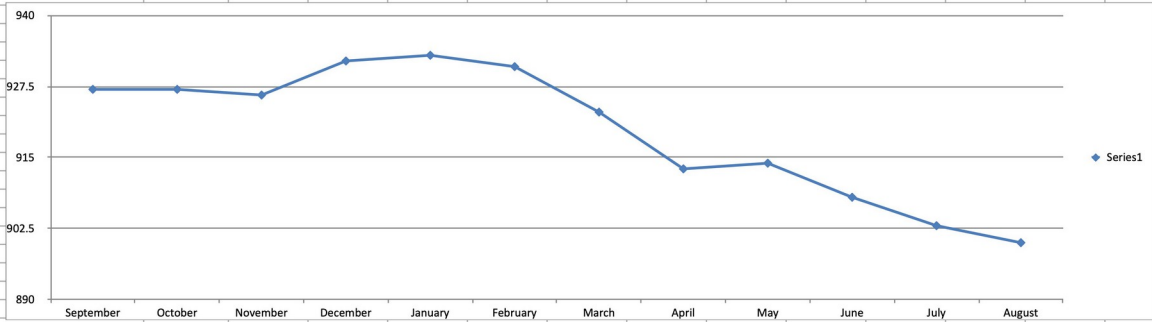
The location for 2023 is still to be decided and the convention committee is looking for volunteers.

Presentation of Achievement Program Report

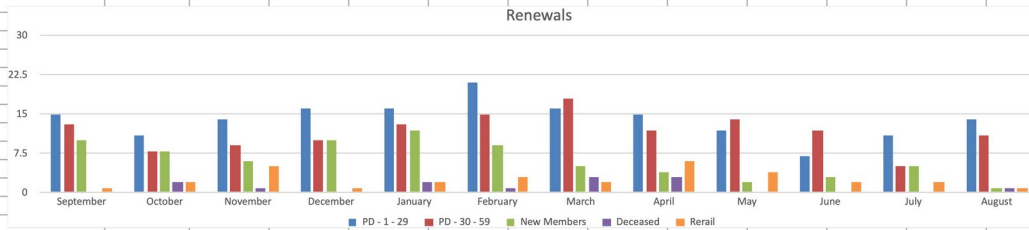
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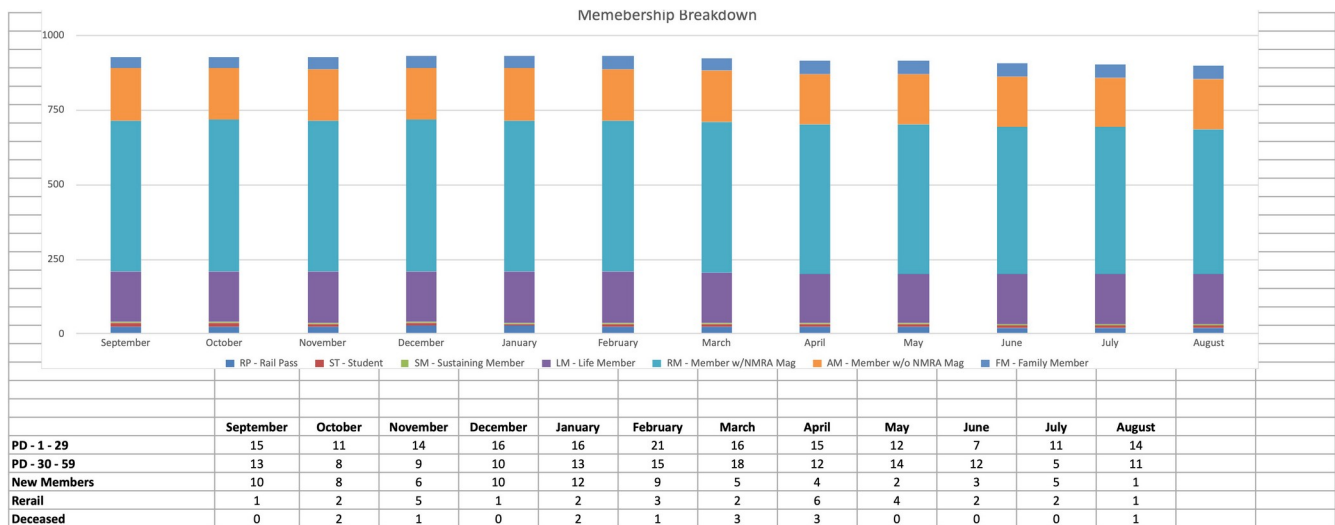
Presentation of Membership Department Report

	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	Average
Members	927	927	926	932	933	931	923	913	914	908	903	900	920



	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August
RP - Rail Pass	26	26	26	29	27	26	25	23	23	21	21	21
ST - Student	10	10	8	8	7	7	8	8	8	7	7	7
SM - Sustaining Member	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
LM - Life Member	171	170	170	170	170	170	168	167	167	168	168	168
RM - Member w/NMRA Mag	502	506	506	507	506	507	503	499	500	495	492	486
AM - Member w/o NMRA Mag	176	174	173	172	175	174	174	167	167	167	165	168
FM - Family Member	38	37	39	42	44	43	41	45	45	46	46	46





Presentation of Webmaster Report

Webmaster report provided as part of the board package.

Presentation of Heart of America Fund Report

Heart of America Fund report provided as part of the board package.

Presentation of Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer’s report provided as part of the board package.

Other New Business

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Only two advertisements in the recent caboos and the question is whether it is needed anymore. Suggestion that advertising be dropped and the pike registry and publicity be offered free to NMRA members. Motion made by David Lowell and seconded by Robert Simmons. Motion accepted.

Question about whether there could be an article about the History of the Heart of America fund. Yes, to the article (potential names were suggested as sources of the history to help put together an article for the CK).

Whit Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting. David Lowell seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:35.