

Big Train Operator Club

Board of Directors Teleconference Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 14, 2010

Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting was called to order at 8:05 PM EST by President Scott Fowler who reviewed the Agenda. Present were Rich Dulski (Vice-President); Dave Snow (Membership Chair); Robert Newsom (Vice-President); Bill Harryman (Secretary); Ralph Wilcox, Jr (Director); Lou Flammia (Director); Ralph Wilcox, Sr. (Director Emeritus); Marshall Adams (Chair of BTOC Convention Committee) ; John Groot (Treasurer). Absent were Anita Brown (Director) and Bob Somogyi (BTO Editor).

Secretary Report: Revised minutes of the Tuesday, August 31st, 2010 Board Meeting were approved as E-Mailed.

Treasurers Report: John Groot presented the Club Profit and Loss statement (1/1/10 through 11/30/10). A positive cash flow and Net Income of \$3,479.10 for the period was reported, with Current Assets at \$31,772.63 and all 2010 convention expenses covered. Orders for the 2011 Club Car are beginning to come in, along with some 2011 Convention & Annual Meeting Registrations. The Financial Report was approved by the Board.

Membership Report: Dave Snow reported 546 members as of the end of August. Since then there have been 12 deletions, leaving current membership at 534. Membership Report was approved by the Board.

Editor's Report: No report given (i.e. Bob Somogyi was absent).

Convention Report:

2010 Atlantic City - The second run of Mack engines turned out very well (54 engines were sold).

2011 Boston - Reservations have started to come in. Be sure that applications contain both the given name and the name that is wanted on the name tag. The work train caboose (2011 BTO Club Car) is off the production line. The Committee reports, "Boston is Ready to Go! It's a going to be a great convention." Convention details are printed in the Winter 2010 issue, Number 138, of the Big Train Operator magazine.

Old Business:

Finance Committee: Chairman Bob Newsom presented a proposed 2011 BTOC Budget, which was discussed & subsequently approved by the Board, This will be printed in an upcoming issue of the BTO.

Trademarking the BTOC slogan, "Havin' fun runnin' trains" has been investigated. It was decided that the cost and time expense would be prohibitive, and Ralph Wilcox was asked to investigate the possibility of Copywriting the slogan.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM EST.

Respectively Submitted,
Bill Harryman
BTOC Secretary