

**TUCSON GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

October, 2018

Glenn & Janet Mitchell's Home

Members present were: Glenn, Dennis Maher, Claudia and David Nelson, John Fennema, Gary Martin, Jerry Tulino, Barry and Gina Blackwell.

The minutes of the September Board of Directors meeting were approved as published on the website.

The Treasurer's Report was approved as read by Dennis in Ruth Taylor's absence:

Checking (as of 10/18/18):	\$ 3,066.
Savings (as of 10/18/18):	<u>17,289.</u>
Total on Deposit:	\$20,355.

Receipts (from 09/10/18):	\$ 98. (dues)
Expenses (from 09/10/18):	<u>24.</u> (stamps/postage to mail new member packets)
Net Revenue:	\$ 74.

Year to Date Recap (2018-19)

Receipts:	\$ 368.
Expenses:	<u>1,134.</u>
Net Revenue:	\$ -766.

Dues paid 2018-19 as of 10/13/18: \$908 (28 renewals and 2 new member families)

Newsletter Editor's Report: Claudia has received some great pictures from the Conrads. John Fennema's story will finish up in the October Newsletter and David Nelson is doing an article on a German train.

Vice-President's Report: Upcoming events include the 10/20 General Meeting at the home of Jack and Rosalie Forgues.

Light the Night – on 10/20, dinner will be provided.

Carmichael/Pappas Open House – 11/03

Board of Directors Meeting – on 11/08 at the Mitchells

Gadsden Pacific Toy Train Swap Meet – 11/09 & 11/10

Martin Open House – 11/10

Holiday Luncheon at Golden Corral – 12/01

Luminaria Nights at the Tucson Botanical Gardens – (tentative) setup on 11/29, run trains 11/30-12/02 and 12/07-12/09

Ocotillo Learning Center's Polar Express Day – 12/20 (8 volunteers needed)

VA Hospital Display – setup on 12/26, Run 12/27-28 (9am to 4pm), begin tear down on Saturday, 12/29

February General Meeting – Rincon Country West on 02/09 in the Rally Bldg

Rails in the Garden Tour 2019 - March 02 & 03 (still looking for a new chairperson)

Pima County Fair 2019 – The Fair dates are 4/18 thru 4/28. Setup may start on or about 4/12. There was some discussion as to whether the children's layout would be used if not enough volunteers sign up to help.

OLD BUSINESS:

Public Layouts Status:

Tucson Children's Museum: Rolling stock maintenance needed – axles to be ordered.

Tucson Botanical Gardens: There was some discussion about the needs and future of the layout. The general consensus was that there needs to be simplification of the layout for maintenance and reliability. It was decided that a special meeting for the Board and all other interested members be held at the Gardens on November 17 (time TBD).

Diamond Children's Center: A track cleaning session needs to be scheduled.

Transportation Museum: 75' of track was given to them to extend the point-to-point.

Rodeo Parade Museum: Closed until next year (February). Of note, the Mike and Jane Dorgan have donated a number of items and figures and Gary Martin has agreed to customize a wagon.

NEW BUSINESS:

The club has lost its free trailer storage place. Dennis proposed that we store them at the same facility where we have the extra club items stored. The manager has proposed a discount deal and the Board gave Dennis the go-ahead to procure spots for the 3 trailers. He also needs to obtain the licenses and registrations for each trailer and to contact Willis Fagg regarding combining the storage unit with the trailer storage for billing (the contract is in his name).

It was decided that the ABTO Roundabout will take place the weekend after the 2019 Rails in the Garden tour, if that's acceptable to the ABTO members.

Committee Reports:

Website: Jerry is considering doing some surveys.

Education and Mentor Program: No new information.

Clinics: some are still under discussion – schedule after meetings in 2019?

Maintenance: As above under Public Layout Status.

Social Activities: TBA.

The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for November 8 (John F. to bring cookies).

Respectfully submitted,
Gina Blackwell, Secretary