

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

June 08, 2019  
Golden Corral

Members present when the meeting was called to order included: Glenn Mitchell, Dennis Maher, Claudia & David Nelson, John & Audrie Fennema, Jerry Tulino, Sally & Conrad Jacunski, Jim & Elaine Miller, Wally Gazdzik, and Barry & Gina Blackwell.

The May 2019 Board of Directors meeting minutes were approved as published on the website.

The Treasurer's Report (as read by Glenn):

Checking (as of 05/11/19):	\$ 545
Savings (as of 05/11/19):	<u>17,306</u>
Total on Deposit:	\$17,851

Receipts (from 05/11/19):	\$ 150 (Dues)
	<u>5</u> (Amazon Smiles donation)
	\$ 155

Expenses (from 05/11/19):	\$ 125 (membership: nametags, paper, Etc.)
	623 (modules <sup>1</sup> )
	<u>225</u> (Tucson Botanical Gardens <sup>2</sup> )
	\$ 972 ( <i>sic</i> )

<sup>1</sup>receiver and transmitter, children's layout chairs, engine gears

<sup>2</sup>gears for mogul; repairs to Bridgewater transformer

Net Revenues from 5/11/19:	\$ -817
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Fiscal Year to Date Recap (2018/2019)	
Receipts:	\$ 4,207
Expenses:	<u>7,477</u>
Net Revenue:	\$ -3,270

Dues paid 2018-19: \$1,532 (47 renewals/5 new member families/7 lifetime= 59)

Dues paid 2019-20: \$360 (12 renewals)

Newsletter Editor's Report:

Sally will begin taking over the Newsletter as of the July Edition.

Vice-President's Report:

Christmas in June at the Diamond Children's Center on June 24<sup>th</sup> has 6 volunteers signed up. Gary Martin has agreed to be driver for the small trailer.

The Leukemia Society's Light the Night event is scheduled for October 26 in the East side parking lot of Park Place Mall.

Unless a volunteer comes forward or an indoor venue can be located for September, the next general meeting is 10/19 at the Mitchells'. The November meeting will be at the Martins' and the February meeting at Rincon Country West. We are still looking for hosts/venues for the other meetings.

Update on club trailer storage: The 2 large trailers are now stored at the Pima County Fairgrounds. The point-of-contact person to get into the locked area to retrieve them is Burt

Rodriguez. The small trailer is now stored at the Blackwell home. There was some concern expressed about sun damage to the tires from continued exposure but tire covers are expensive and don't last very long either. Dennis said the trailers get an annual safety check. New tires can cost up to \$200 each and are purchased as needed.

#### Old Business:

John Fennema presented an amended Service Award document which corrects the oversight concerning our Webmaster. The Board approved the amended document and it will be published on the website.

Willis Fagg has agreed to pick up the new Revolution control system in California.

Gary Martin and John Fennema have been working on the layout at the Tucson Botanical Gardens every Tuesday morning (beginning around 7am). This is a very visible advertisement for our club and it is important to keep the trains running and the layout clean and presentable. All are welcome to come and help and also to take a building or two home for repair work if possible. Contact Gary or John if you have questions.

A newsletter article about the need for and the duties of a club historian is planned.

*Public Layout Status:* Tucson Children's Museum – some changes are being planned, but are not yet finalized. Glenn is in contact with them and will keep us posted. Tucson Botanical Gardens – see above. Diamond Children's Center – since the opening of the new hospital tower has re-directed the majority of the visitors away from the toy shop, the hospital management is considering closing it. Physicians and other personnel are requesting that it remain in place as the children and visitors love it but it is unclear at this time whether the train layout will stay, be dismantled and/or moved to a new location. There were no changes/updates noted to the Transportation Museum or the Rodeo Parade Museum.

More Rails in the Garden 2020 cards need to be ordered.

Outgoing officers were thanked for their service.

#### New Business:

Sally has donated a 24" screen all-in-one computer for video presentations at our larger events (e.g., VA and the Fair).

Gary has four very long LGB switches left over from the modules. They cost more than \$100 each. The Board agreed to sell them for \$100 each.

#### Committee Reports:

Website – some members are concerned that they aren't getting club emails. Jerry agreed to double check against the roster to see if anyone has changed their email address without having notified him.

Clinics – Gary is planning to host short clinic sessions after general club meetings (about 6/year). Sally has agreed to video record them for posting on the website. Jerry agreed to post John Carmichael's "how to" for trestles on the website.

The next Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for 10/17. Time and place TBA.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Gina Blackwell*  
Secretary