

TUCSON GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING/TELECONFERENCE
April 18, 2020 via ZOOM

Members present included: Jim Miller, Ruth Taylor, Claudia Nelson, Jerry Tulino, John Fennema, Wally Gazdzik, Bob Averill, Jim Ellsworth, and Gina Blackwell.

The March 2020 Board of Directors meeting minutes were approved as published on the website.

The Treasurer's Report: Ruth provided a general overview of the accounts regarding Rails in the Garden (RITG-2020) expenses and donations received as well as past expenses for our various community projects.

Checking Acct. Balance 4/18/2020	\$ 2,533
Savings Acct. Balance 2/08/2020	<u>15,815</u>
Total on Deposit	\$18,348

From 02/09/2020:

Receipts	\$1,195 (donations, dues, Amazon Smiles)
Expenses	<u>359 (RITG, office supplies, Etc.)</u>
Net	\$ 836

FY to date recap:

Receipts	\$ 3,638
Expenses	<u>3,815</u>
Net	\$ -177

Current club membership totals 57 families.

RITG-2020 donations totaled \$908.18 and, after expenses were deducted, \$427.58 remained. The Board approved a donation of \$500 to the Community Food Bank. (Donations from TGRS to the Food Bank through 2019 totaled \$9,671.)

Ruth also noted that the total costs of our TGRS Community Projects to date equal \$40,894.57

There had been a suggestion that our club might be open to a "merger" with the Gadsden-Pacific Toy Train Museum. This has been tabled for the present time.

The Board approved Ruth's request to renew the Quicken account at a cost of \$60 for 2 years.

Vice-President's Report:

RE: making the Webmaster a voting Board Member. Jim Miller will compose a letter to the general membership for the purpose of requesting a vote by email and/or mail. Due to the current exigent circumstances, the Board agreed that this may be the best option. A simple notice to the IRS via fax after membership approval is all that is needed to complete the process.

All club events and activities, with the exception of Board meetings via ZOOM, have been canceled. Claudia will be working to get meeting sites and events signed up for 2020-2021.

Newsletter: Our Newsletter Editor, Sally Jacunski, has been very busy at her job with the Tucson Unified School District and has not been available. As there have been no recent activities other than RITG-2020, the Board does not consider this a problem. Jerry was asked to put a notice on the website about it being unavailable until further notice. Claudia has been putting videos on Facebook and Jim Miller mentioned that there are many more available on YouTube.

Committee Reports:

Website: Jerry had nothing new to report.

Mentor: Bob has been trying to follow-up with a new member who is asking for help with DCC. Bob is hoping to link him with a club DCC guru. He was given a few names to try. He also stated that he's pursuing getting 2 new members who live near him.

Other Old Business: Bob would still like to get the storage facility cleaned out and Claudia wants to sell or donate the railroad books she has. No action can be taken at the current time.

New Business: None was brought before the Board.

The next Board meeting will again be a teleconference on May 16th at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Gina Blackwell
Secretary