

TUCSON GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING/TELECONFERENCE
May 16, 2020 via ZOOM

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

The April 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 donations to the Community Food Bank from Rails in the Garden (RITG) over the past 6 years (\$10,171.), a breakdown of donations received at RITG-2020 and a copy of the letter to the Food Bank that accompanied our most recent donation of \$500. The current financial information follows.

Checking Acct. Balance 5/16/2020	\$ 2,010
Savings Acct. Balance 5/16/2020	<u>15,816</u>
Total on Deposit	\$17,826

From 04/19/2020:

Receipts	\$ 30 (dues)
Expenses	<u>553</u> (Donation, office supplies, Etc.)
Net	\$-523

FY to date recap:

Receipts	\$ 3,668
Expenses	<u>4,368</u>
Net	\$ -700

Current club membership totals 57 families.

Vice-President's Report:

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. She has been in contact with Glenn Mitchell regarding building a storage container for the IMAC. We still need to get it moved to Byron Skinner's climate-controlled storage facility. There is also concern about our electronics being kept in storage in the heat. She will see if Byron may have room for them as well.

It is believed that Dennis Mahar has an inventory of the items in our storage building. This should be helpful in deciding which items may no longer be used by the club but could be offered for sale to the general membership in our Members Only section of the website. A club member has asked if there is an extra controller available and this will be discussed at the next Board meeting after review of the inventory.

Webmaster Report: Jerry stated that one year ago there were 900 visits to the site by this time; this year there were 400. Of interest, most of the downloads have been related to track layout drawings and projects to do at home, most likely due to the fact that we're all sheltering in place as much as possible.

Because there is currently no Newsletter available, Jerry will be updating and putting items on the website regarding meetings, dues, and other notices of interest to the membership.

Old Business: After general membership approval on 4/22/2020, Ruth is finalizing the paperwork to amend the By-Laws today to include the Webmaster as a voting member.

New Business: Jim Miller has been contacted by someone from the Children's Museum about trying to find a train powered by renewable energy (Wind? Solar?). He will follow up on this.

Due to the cancelation of the June General Meeting, it was decided that the general membership will be invited to attend the next Board meeting via ZOOM. Jerry will work to set this up for those interested in attending by posting a notice on the web and Jim Miller will send an email as well. This email will include a reminder that 2020-2021 dues will be due again in July.

The next Board meeting will again be a teleconference on June 20th at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Gina Blackwell
Secretary