

TUCSON GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 15, 2021 – Rincon Country West

Board members present: Jim Miller, Claudia Nelson, Jerry Tulino, John Fennema, Wally Gazdzik, Sally Jacunski, and Gina Blackwell. Charles Weesner attended via ZOOM.

The April 2021 Board of Directors meeting minutes were approved as published on the website.

Treasurer's Report: As of 05/15/21,

Checking Acct. Balance \$ 1,786
Savings Acct. Balance 15,843
Total on Deposit \$17,629

Receipts from 4/18/21 \$ 60 (dues)
Expenses from 4/18/21 453 (regalia, domain renewal, TBG bridge)
Net revenue **-\$393**

Current membership total: 52

Vice-President's Report: It is hoped that we can schedule the June meeting at the Golden Corral. Ruth agreed to check on availability and price (we would pay at the door). The proposed date is June 19. There will be no July or August meetings. The Martins are planning their November Open House and it is hoped they can host the General Meeting as well.

Train Day at the Transportation Museum was fairly well attended and the mini-layout worked well. More than 100 Rails in the Garden 2022 (RITG 2022) flyers were given to visitors.

The Pima County Fair has been scheduled for April next year; more information to follow.

Chuck Cook has scheduled the Social to take place on the 4th Wednesday of the month at the Red Garter Saloon.

Newsletter Editor: Sally is working on the next issue and always looks forward to receiving articles and pictures.

Committee Reports:

Website/Membership: No issues. Google Drive works well for sending videos.

Maintenance: Jim sent Glenn Mitchell an email regarding the engine at The Children's Museum and Charles Weesner volunteered to help check it out as well. Jim will also try and follow-up on the request the museum staff had made last fall for a wind-powered train.

Social: see Vice-President's report.

Old Business: There has been no further word regarding the Sam Hughes Neighborhood Pump House project.

New Business: The storage facility needs cleaning out and it was suggested that some items could be sold at the Gadsden Pacific Toy Train Museum (GPTTM) swap meet in November or even using eBay to clear out unneeded items. It was suggested that we ask the GPTTM to participate in RITG 2022 and Deborah McGeary agreed to be a contact person. Anyone wishing to drop off signs and other RITG items

from past events can do so at the Blackwells or call Dennis Mahar to arrange a possible pick-up. Peter Firos is considering hosting a meeting in Sonoita this fall; more information to follow.

The Visitor's Center in Wilcox has received a \$10,000 grant and they are looking to install a layout. The point of contact is "Caleb" and Charles has agreed to follow-up.

The layout in Oracle could use some of our excess equipment, particularly the PlayMobile items.

The Koehlers offered to host the October meeting (date TBA) and would like to include a "Mr. Miagi Hot Dog" BBQ. Ron would also like members to feel free to bring their engines to run and will be welcome to video them.

Pending confirmation of availability, the next Board Meeting will take place on June 19, 2021 at 11:30am at Golden Corral.

There being no further business brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Blackwell

Secretary