TUCSON GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING March 22, 2022 – via ZOOM

Board members present: Margaret Torres Nelson (also filling in for Jim Miller & Claudia Nelson), Jerry Tulino, John Fennema, Charles Weesner, and Gina Blackwell. Thomas Preisner also signed on.

The February 2022 Board of Directors meeting minutes were approved as published.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Margaret reported that she has deleted 3 member families who haven't paid their dues for 2021-22 and Jerry will remove them from the roster. There are 46 families paid up for the current fiscal year.

As of 03/22/2022,

Fiscal Year to Date Recap,

Receipts/deposits \$2,443.00 (dues, regalia, equipment sales, Etc.) Expenses 1,429.35 (storage, insurance, supplies, Etc.)

Net revenue \$1,013.65

The donations collected during **Rails in the Garden 2022** totaled \$1,416.15, not including Gadsden-Pacific or the Rodeo Parade Museum. (The total number of visitors reported was approximately 2,097.) The Board voted to donate \$800 to the Community Food Bank and to let the Gadsden-Pacific Toy Train Museum and the Rodeo Parade Museum keep any monies donated at their locations.

Margaret has set up a PayPal account: <u>treasurer@tucsongrs.org</u> and she advises that you use the transfer option (not purchase) when using it. That avoids a fee.

Margaret also has the proof of insurance document ready for the County Fair – Dennis Mahar has agreed to get the badges and parking permits and hopes to deliver them at the 3/26 meeting.

<u>Old Business</u>: There are volunteers for each of the Board positions, only 1 for each. It is expected that the current "slate" will be voted on and affirmed at the May meeting.

<u>New Business</u>: The Tucson Botanical Gardens has asked that the current layout be removed by the end of July, 2022. Buildings will either be trashed (because of their condition) or offered for sale. It is unlikely that any of the current buildings would be re-used. There is a new plan for the Gardens and, according to John Fennema, may require elevated track in the new design. More information will follow as it becomes available.

There was some discussion about putting together a more interactive children's mobile layout. Jerry agreed to follow up and present more information.

The next Board meeting will take place via ZOOM at 7pm on May 3. There being no further business brought before the Board, the abbreviated meeting was adjourned at 7:33pm.

Respectfully submitted, *Gina Blackwell* Secretary