

TUCSON GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
September 7, 2022  
Martin's residence

Board members present: Jim Miller, Claudia Nelson, Margaret Torres Nelson, Jerry Tulino, John Fennema, Peggy Martin, Gary Martin, and Dennis Mahar.

The June 2022 Board of Directors meeting minutes were approved as published on the website.

Treasurer's Report: As of 09-07-2022

Checking Acct. Balance	\$ 4,086
Savings Acct. Balance	<u>15,860</u>
Total on Deposit	\$19,946

From 08/01/2022:

Receipts	\$ 460 (dues + donation)
Expenses	<u>150</u> (storage fee x 2mo)
Net	\$ 310

Dues paid for 2022-2023: \$1,170 (39)

Membership total – September 2022: 53

Vice-President's Report: Meetings scheduled – TBG (September), Koehler (October), Oracle Community Garden – Anderson (November), Golden Corral (December & holiday party), Averill (January), RCW (February), March (RITG & ABTO Round-About), April (Somerhalder + PC Fair)

Upcoming events: Install new layout at TBG, Gadsen-Pacific Swap Meet (November), Ocotillo Learning Center holiday display (December), Christmas Party @ Golden Corral. (all dates are in the website calendar)

Newsletter: Nothing to report, but willing to take criticism, comments, suggestions, etc.

New Business:

- Ron Kohler offered \$250 for the consolidation locomotive, but he says it's not working right, so wants a discount. The board decided to let the \$250 offer stand and not allow any additional discount.
- A motion was offered to give Ken Karrels the spare (old) train engineer, since we now have new ones on the fair layout. It passed unanimously.
- The annual Christmas party will be on Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at the Golden Corral on Thornydale. A \$20 gift exchange will occur for those wanting to participate.
- Because of the Tucson Book Fair scheduled for March 4-5, 2023, RITG will be held the following weekend, March 11-12, 2023. We plan to make semi-permanent advertising signs with an area to change the date depending on the year.

- We hope to have the ABTO tour the weekend after RITG, since all the layouts will be setup. Dennis or John will follow-up.
- If the TBG layout (about 175', designed by Charlie Weesner) is approved by the general membership, we will begin work to be done by November before the big TBG event starts. TBG is planning on a multi-month event for the holidays and we don't want to be in the way. They have promised to reimburse us for any expenses during the setup. Claudia and Margaret suggested putting up a sign explaining garden railroading along with some of our club members' layouts. Claudia will work on the wording.
- The Gadsen-Pacific swap meet will be Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. We will have 2 tables and have been asked to bring the mini-layout. Dennis and John will empty the storage unit to see what we might be able to sell.
- Ocotillo Learning Center has contacted us to bring our mini-layout on December 15<sup>th</sup> (Thursday), as we did a couple of years ago. Claudia will get pencils (with our name) and John will bring candy to hand out to the children as they come through. This year we will have all RC engines, so cords won't be an issue, and we'll create a holiday theme.
- Dennis would like suggestions for a 2-5 year plan for the club to recruit new members, especially younger members. He'd like everyone to be thinking of ways to get our club promoted.

Committee Reports:

*Website:* Jerry has no issues to report.

The next scheduled Board Meeting is October 5th at 1pm at the Martins.

Respectfully submitted,

*Claudia Nelson*

For Peggy Martin, Secretary