

## **DIVISION 8 MEETING MINUTES 7/28/07**

The foremen's meeting was called to order by President Ray Byer at 10:07 AM at Papa Ben's Train Store. The following officers and foremen were present. Ray Byer - President, Division 8 Director, San Jacinto MRR Club & BARF, Ronnie Pendleton - Secretary & San Jacinto MRRC, Peter Bryan - Division 8 Treasurer & HALS, Jim Long - Vice President & San Jacinto MRR Club, Bob Leeper - Gulf Coast RR Museum, Tracey Mitchell - San Jacinto MRR Club, Michael Little - BARF & San Jacinto MRR Club, Gordon Lawson - NWX. The following visitors were present. Seburn Thomas, Leighton Moreland, Jon Moreland, Chris Tolley, Rick Jones and Phil Stewart.

### **Meeting Minutes**

There was no reading of the minutes from the last meeting.

### **Treasurer's Report**

There was no report from the Treasurer Peter Bryan.

### **Old Business**

The issue of dues came up for discussion again. President Byer asked for a motion to cease discussion and vote on the proposed changes to the Division Constitution. Tracey Mitchell made the motion for the membership to vote on the changes. It was seconded and was approved by an unanimous voice vote that the approved changes be accepted.

### **Presentation of Divison 8 Youth Award**

Peter Bryan gave a presentation of the Youth Award to this year's recipient, Leighton Moreland. Leighton is currently 12 years old and is a model railroading enthusiast. Peter said that when he first met Leighton he was impressed with his knowledge of trains and modeling. Even though Leighton's parents had no interest in modeling, Leighton certainly does. Peter presented to Leighton from the Division, a HO scale car kit, a booklet enclosed with the Youth membership in the Division and a scrapbook for him to document the work on his layout. Leighton currently is working on his Golden Spike Award.

President Byer asked the club foremen to go back to their clubs and look for candidates to nominate for next year's youth member award.

### **Operating Sessions**

Peter Bryan announced that a date for the operating sessions has been set. It will be August 11, 2008 from 1:00 PM - 5:00PM. Layout owners that will be hosting the sessions will be Gill Freitag, Don Bozman and Peter Bryan. Peter encourage novices operators to come and enjoy an afternoon of fun and learn a new aspect of modeling.

### **New Business**

#### **Annual Divison 8 Meeting**

The next annual meeting will be held on October 7, 2008 at Zube Park. Bob Leeper said that the picnic would conflict with the SP convention, which is scheduled for 10/14-17/07. It was decided to leave the annual meeting as scheduled.

#### **Modeling With Division 8 MMR's**

Tracey Mitchell announced that the next clinic will be held on September 15, 2007 at Papa Bens Train Store. No time was announced. Jim Ling MMR will be conducting this clinic.

#### **Update Waybill Mailing List**

President Byer said that the previous Waybill was the last printed edition of the publication. Division 8 members will need to contact the NMRA to confirm that they have their current e-mail address, so they will be able to receive the next edition.

**Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting of Division 8 will be on 9/15/07 @ 10:00 AM at Papa Ben's Train Store. Jim Long made the motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded and approved by all and the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 AM.

Respectfully Submitted  
*Ronnie Pendleton*  
Secretary  
Division 8