

7th Division, Pacific Northwest Region, NMRA Canada 2024 AGM Minutes

Quorum attendance was achieved by the beginning of the meeting at 7 p.m.

Agenda presented and approved – Moved by Lori Sebelley, 2nded by Tim Horton

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Treasurer's Report read by Larry Sebelley and received – Motion to receive report by T. Horton, 2nded by J. Little

Unfinished business – Ferrier collection is still being catalogued by Revelstoke Railway Museum; last report was that it is close to being done. Some changes to the original plan have occurred consisting mainly of the document scanning being done locally in Revelstoke, and then comparison of those documents with CPHA (Canadian Pacific Historical Association) to avoid duplicate copies being posted publicly at a future date.

Elections were conducted for positions of Secretary, Treasurer, and Director-at-Large. As there were no nomination from the floor all positions were filled by acclamation: Randy Nussli for Secretary, Larry Sebelley for Treasurer, Ken Rutherford for Director-at-Large.

New Business:

Discussion ensued about 7th Division starting a Facebook page titled Model Railway BC. Requests were put forward for a Social Media Director volunteer who would be willing to administer the Facebook page. All 7th Division members were invited to submit photos and other posts concerning their own model railroading developments and other hobby-related posts. No volunteers were willing to step forward to fill this post during the meeting. The request for a volunteer was left open for anyone wanting to take on this post.

Surrey Excursion 2024 Report (NMRA Regional Convention) was given by Lori Sebelley. In general things are coming together nicely for this 7th Division-hosted event in May:- attendance is filling up nicely and the event will more than likely have enough participants to cover most event costs. The different programs being offered throughout the weekend included 46 clinics, a bus tour of the G3 Grain Handling Terminal in North Vancouver (almost full), a number of model railroad layout tours were being scheduled throughout the weekend, several layout operating sessions were also scheduled for the weekend (almost full), a Modelling with the Masters workshop was scheduled the first day of the convention (full), a modelling contest and display room including A.P. judging was organized throughout the duration of the convention weekend, activities for non-modellers were scheduled, and of course the banquet was scheduled for Saturday evening.

Business was concluded and motion to adjourn was made and approved – Moved by T. Horton, 2nded by L Sebelley

After the meeting an excellent clinic was presented by MMR Clark Kooning on various modelling tips and techniques