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“Director Letter”

I hope everyone is having happy New Year. Elaine and I spend Christmas with our daughter Erin in Austin Texas, I was hoping to see a little sun, but not to be, about four hours in seven days, then back to Indiana wonderful winter time weather.

The board met in December to plan activity for 2011 base on your responds from the questionnaire. The good news we will be moving forward with Phase III this year. There will be some changes in the track maintain program also. The board was the in favor of not continuing the GAT shows.

We will need to complete our commitment for this coming weekend. All who signed up please plan on being there to help. Set up will be Friday about 1:30 pm. If you can email me and let me know which days you can attend. Set up and tear down takes less than hour with enough help.

January meeting will be election time. If you have an interest, contact John Herman. I hope to have the new bylaw copies in hand to pass out at the meeting. A schedule for the New Year will be posted at the meeting.

Well cold weather is here, and it's time to finish those projects that have been lying a around all year. I know there will plenty of things to do at the track this year. See you at the meeting.

Dave

1. Dogs Dozes Run, invitation meet.
2. Hearth Nut Weekend run.
3. Track Work by sections, one at each meeting, by the whole membership.
4. Construction of Section III
5. Addition to the building for added train storage
6. Work sections on monthly basic
7. Monthly train ride for the park.

General information-

Health of members-

Brad Lane is Home from the hospital for a while. Some good news his kidneys are working. He will have more surgeries to go.

Jin Hinnars is doing well feeling better.

The portable track has been repaired, we have 39 pieces curved 6'8" and 1 switch, about an 80' circle with switch.

14 straight pieces 8'. Set up for GTE 1:30 Friday

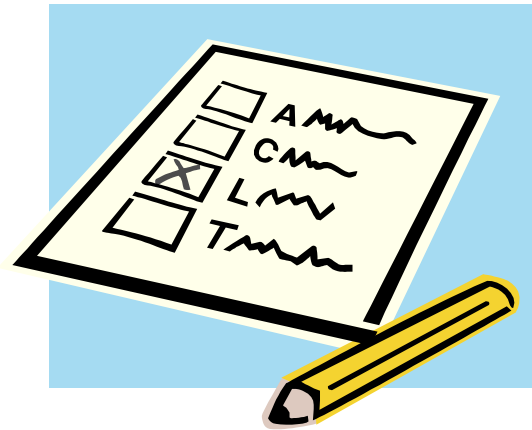
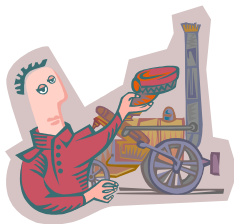
Passenger Types

There were three kinds of passengers who rode the trains, First Class, Second Class, and Third Class.

I said "Conductor, what is the difference between the First Class and the Third Class passengers? Aren't they all riding in the same car?"

He said, Just wait a while and I will show you."

We ran a little ways and stopped again and the conductor came in and said, " First Class passengers, keep your seats, Second Class passengers, get off and walk; Third Class passengers get off and push.



Board elections -

Slated candidates-

Chairman -Dave Kirch

Vice President-

Safety Superintendent- Dan Racke

Grounds Superintendent -Erv Tullock

Track Superintendent- Jim Eaton

Events Coordinator-

Education Director- Dan Goins

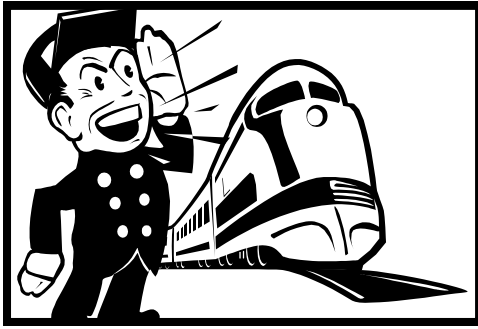
Currently filled by elected board-

Treasurer- Bob McGregor

Secretary- John Huizenga

Public Relations- John Herman





**Important dates—
Annual Meeting At Johnson County Park
January 15, 2011 1:30 pm
GTE January 8th, 9th, 2011
Set up 1:30 January 7th, 2011**

Board Meeting of December 11, 2010

The meeting was called to order by chairman Dave Kirch at 2:00 pm

A voting quorum was determined to be present. Seven directors were present.

The first subject of discussion was the planning survey Dave had asked members to fill out. 15 sheets were returned and John Herman had summarized the data. Based on the survey we will continue to have public run days but will drop the train shows after the January one to which we are committed.

We as a club will not participate in the Pioneers Engineers club events at Rushville.

The Dog Daze date was set at August 19-21, 2011.

A budget was put together with input from all directors and John Herman made a motion to accept the budget as proposed and Dan Racke gave a second to that motion. All agreed when asked to vote and it passed.

The boards attention then turned to phase three and that had scored fairly high on the survey sheets and the board put it to a vote with John Herman making the motion to move forward with phase three in 2011. Bob McGregor gave a second to that motion and the vote was unanimous from the board. John Huizenga will work with Dick Bray to complete the survey work before spring. A project manager is needed for the construction of Phase three. Several names were mentioned with no decision made at this time.

Three projects were listed as immediate maintenance needs for 2011, improving the water flow under Pedigo bridge and past the triangular pond, replacement of worn rail in phase one, and painting the handrails and wood on Broken Toe.

Improvements to the physical plant will involve the replacement of the wood panels around the enclosure on the west end of the club house/engine storage facility.

The concrete pad for the ticket takers will be poured this year.

No action was taken on the issue of club cars with approved brakes as it is felt the it will not be feasible to add them to the articulated cars.

In other business, John Huizenga made a motion to reimburse Shannon Tulloch \$100 that she was asked to forfeit from the 2010 Dog Daze meals. John Herman gave a second and the motion passed when the board voted.

Board members present were; Jim Eaton, John Herman, Jerry Hoffman, John Huizenga, Dave Kirch, Bob McGregor, and Dan Racke
Corporate secretary
John Huizenga

**The Pop-Valve editor request ideas for articles. I'm looking for members that would like to spotlight their train related projects both in progress and finished. Please feel free to e-mail or send by snail-mail your information.
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