

TRAIN OF THOUGHT

**MON VALLEY RAILROAD
HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Inc.**

May, 2018



EDITORS NOTE

Our Spring Open House was a great success, my personal thanks to all members involved. The weather was good for the whole weekend and we had good crowds on Saturday and good attendance on Sunday. Visitors came from all over the area. Facebook is starting to pay off as many people said they heard about our event on that social media platform. Only a few said they heard about our Open House on the radio or from a newspaper.

Visitors were also pleased to see the progress on the main layout. Sale of train items from the White elephant table were strong and so were cash donations in the caboose. Chinese Auction sales were strong on Saturday. Everyone seemed to have a good time.

Let's keep up the work and hopefully our visitors for the Back to School Open House in August will have even more to see.

Ballots have been mailed and election results will be announcements will be during the May business meeting.

Happy Training,

Rich Henderson, Editor



Minutes of the Business Meeting April 5, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:34pm by President, Gary Deavers with five (5) officers, five (5) members present. Minutes of the March 2018 meeting were printed in the newsletter. Motion to accept the minutes, Second, Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Keith gave us the financial reports for 2018. All bills paid, we are in the black. Approved.

Committee Reports:

Modules: Mike Hohn replaced the code 100 track with code 83. Modules are ready ballast. Turnouts have been spiked, Gary said Walthers turnouts need a throw, they have dead frogs that are DCC ready. Rowlesburg turnouts were electrically operated. Dave Edwards may have some turnout motors. Frank said the non main lines are not wired.

Main Layout: Eric Hopkins said a caboose was loping, needs coupler checked. Also, he is replacing the lights in the coal mine and we need to make sure the voltage is marked to prevent burnouts. Rich has some small grain of rice bulbs. Gary said there is a company that has small LED lights that might be better.

SCHEDULE of EVENTS

**May 3, 2018
Business Meeting**

**June 7, 2018
Business Meeting**

**July 5, 2018
Business Meeting**

**July 15, 2018
NMRA Division 2
Meeting
Society opens at 12 noon**

**August 2, 2018
Business Meeting**

**August 25 & 26, 2018
Back to School
Open House
Workers Needed**



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The website for Evan Designs (the LED purveyor) is lightmymodels.com. The PICO is the smallest LED available. He also fixed a signal. Traction tires were removed from #219 and it pulled a 20 car train easily.

Publicity: Rich said all publicity for the Spring Open House is out. He let us know that Yahoo is still having problems, many groups are leaving. Facebook page has 476 likes. He has been posting the information about the open house on several different facebook pages.

Ad cars: Eric Hopkins said there have been no renewals since last months report. He is going to contact some of them.

Membership: Rich said we have 25 members, 18 Regular, 1 Regular/Family, 3 Associate, 2 College Student and 0 youth.

Donations: Twelve dollars in the caboose.

Old Business:

Keith reported NO new news about us moving to a new place.

Bill Hudak donated a Bachmann Liberty Bell special HO train set for our Chinese auction. Thanks Bill!

The Nominating Committee presented the slate of Officers/BOD candidates. They are: Lou Lemelle for President, Ward Paine for Vice President, Keith DeVault for Treasurer, Dave Edwards & Greg Malnikoff for Secretary, and Rich Henderson for Membership Director. Secretary Dave Edwards will create the ballot and mail it out, members have until the May business to return their ballot. Ballots will be counted just before the May business meeting and the count certified at the meeting. New officers will begin their terms on July 1, 2018. There

will be a special BOD meeting in June for all officers.

The Cub Scouts that wanted to visit will probably come during the Open House.

New Business:

None.

For the Good of the Order:

For the Good of the Order: MD-WV Model Railroad Association Train Show at Cumberland, MD Fairgrounds on Saturday May 5, 2018. 9am to 2pm, \$5.00 to get in. Tables available, Rich will not be getting tables this year.

Motion to Adjourn by Many,

Meeting adjourned at 8:18pm
Respectfully,

Dave Edwards, Secretary, MVRRHs



ARTICLES WANTED

Space is available for members to write an article for the newsletter. It may be about your model railroad, a new model you just built or acquired, a railfan trip you recently took or about a any railroad related topic. Just type it up and send it to: Rich Henderson, Editor at: trainman430@comcast.net

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