



L.A. Division Advisory Board Minutes

May 9, 2024 7:00 pm (via Zoom)

Call to Order – Jeff Smith – 7:05pm

Roll Call / Quorum – Nick Lisica

Vic Cavalli, Director	John McGreevy, Membership Recruitment Chair
Jeff Smith, Superintendent	
Nick Lisica, Chief Clerk	

LA Division Officers in **Bold**

MINUTES

1. Opening

- Welcome and introductions

2. Review of Previous Meeting

- Brief recap of decisions and actions from the last meeting
- Meeting minutes approved

3. Banquet Review

- Discussion on outcomes and feedback from the recent banquet
- Positive responses from guests
- Railmaster Hobbies has donated the funds for the additional meals required for the banquet
- 22 guests, plenty of food

4. Layout Tours

- Updates on upcoming layout tours and scheduling
- May 11 – Santa Susana Pacific Model Railroad Club
 - John McGreevy to provide the \$50 payment to the club, authorized by the Board
- Possible Layout visit – Slim Gauge Guild open house in June (Pasadena)
- Jeff will put out a call for home layouts in the next Coupler

5. Club Directory Update

- Progress report by Jeff on the club directory, expected completion by July 2024

6. Upcoming Shows

- Discussion of upcoming shows and preparation status
- June 1: Southern Pacific Historical Society – mini-meet, 9:30am, \$30
- August 4 - 11: National Convention and Train Show
- October 5 - 6: Great American Train Show, Del Mar
- October 5: LA Area Prototype Modelers' Meet, www.LAAPM.org, Bellflower

7. National Convention and Train Show

- Preparations and expectations for the National Convention and Train Show
- Volunteers are needed, contact Pat Raymer

8. Treasurer's Report

- Financial updates and budget review
- *No report given*
- Vic to discuss LA Division budget with Kevin Spady, some discrepancies between PSR Board Meeting LA Div. budget discussed, and the LA Div budget.

9. Membership Report

- Current membership status and recent changes
- 5 new members, currently at 210 members

- John McGreevy will contact former members to ask why they are not renewing their memberships
- RailPass Memberships can be offered for \$10 as a final enticement to get members (typically \$19.95)

10. Other Items

- Open floor for any additional topics or concerns
- Website needs to be updated, newsletters need to be added, links need to be repaired
- Jeff will ask a website builder for their assistance in updating the site

11. Closing 7:55pm

- Summary of action items
- Confirmation of next meeting date and time
 - June 13, 7:00pm on Zoom