Greetings All:

We have had a fantastic year!. Thank you all for your many hours of volunteering and working. I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the train show, which is just about three weeks away! Speaking of that, I believe there are still three jobs that we need filled as follows:

**Friday Nov 12th** -- 3:00 – 5:00--Put out signs on Friday, pickup on Sunday  **Saturday Nov 25th**-- 9:30 – 11:30--Best in Show Ballots 1 -- 11:30 – 1:30-- Security 4 – Door F

Our story this month is one told in pictures

*Long Year…..Starting in November 2016*

Ken Hill and Jim van Delden
The leaves of autumn were turning color and falling while the rides at the Medford Railroad Park were still attracting fans of all ages in late October 2016. Reunions of old friends and family took place.
While the summer events were winding down, other activities were just getting started. Plans had been underway for the annual Medford Train Show and some OTHER indoor activity was talked about.
Worker bees were drafted for this: A top notch mechanic, an engineer and a cub reporter, circa 1949. And working behind the scenes was the supplier of vittles, Miss Donna.
On to the vitals: A motor car that had a mishap was to be fixed. The venue was to be Medford Fabrication just down the street from the park, hopefully on a weekly basis.
Some wheels are crooked, some words are French, some folks just don’t read. Oh well, but most of the time, it was fun and different. Thanks for the lunches Donna!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES

Southern Oregon Railway Historical Society
Board of Directors/Regular Meeting
Minutes of October 10, 2017

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:31 PM by President Bruce Kelly

2. Roll Call: Bruce Kelly, Allen Dobney, Jerry Hellinga, Ric Walsh, and 9 other members were present. Chris Manley was absent.
3. Consent of the Agenda: The agenda was approved by consensus.

4. Approval of May minutes: Allen moved to approve the September minutes, Jerry Seconded. The motion passed.

5. Treasurer’s Report: Jerry Hellinga presented the Treasurer’s Report. Allen Dobney moved to accept the treasurer’s report. Ric Walsh seconded. Motion passed.

6. Committee Reports:
   a. Medco 4: Jerry Hellinga No update.
   b. Burger Shack: No update.
   c. Newsletter: No update.
   d. Website: No Update.
   e. Butte Falls: The mayor of Butte Falls has sent a letter to Weyerhaeuser to set up a meeting in Seattle to gain approval for a right-of-way.
   f. Excess Sales: Allen Dobney reported that we are just over $2600.00 of proceeds from slide & other item sales.
   g. RR Park: Bruce reported that there the city is continuing to clean up the homeless camp behind RR park. On last Sunday’s run day we had an incident with a homeless person with a knife. The police were called and the person was arrested. With the stepped up police presence the number of homeless in the area seems to be dropping.

7. Old Business:
   a. The RR Park committee formation is progressing and our Society needs to approve the charter they have developed. Allen Moved
to approve the charter, Jerry seconded. The motion passed.

8. New Business

   a. none

9. Good of the Order:

   a. Jerry Hellinga reported that we need several of our members to step up and take a lead role in getting several maintenance projects done. The projects include: Cleaning up walnuts and leaves from around the engine house, repair a gate near the engine house, prime & paint the new post next to the wig wag.

10. Adjournment: Jerry Hellinga moved to adjourn; Allen Dobney seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

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Allen Dobney, Acting Secretary

Our next meeting is Tuesday, November 14, 2017

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The entertainment was presented prior to the start of the meeting. Allen Dobney presented "Southern Pacific in the Willamette Valley Vol. 2 Our entertainment for our November 14 meeting will be "Steam in China at the Dawn of the 21st Century".

If you know of any other events that should be added to our newsletter, please email, me at (chrismanleysteam@gmail.com) / call, (541-291-1705), with the details.

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