

**Minutes of the Eighty Second
NRHS Annual Membership Meeting
Holiday Inn Stapleton, Denver, CO
Friday, July 22, 2016**

Pursuant of notice, the members of the National Railway Historical Society, Inc. met at the Holiday Inn - Stapleton, Denver, CO, Friday, July 22, 2016.

1 - Call to Order

President Al Weber called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. MDT. Seventy five members and guests were present.

2 - Approval of Minutes

Secretary Bob Ernst presented the minutes of the membership meeting held in Rutland, VT on June 19, 2015. There were no comments received from NRHS members that affected the wording on the draft minutes.

Motion: Mr. Douglas Scott motioned and Mr. Frank Fowler seconded a motion to accept the minutes as written. Motion carried.

3 - President's Report

President Weber welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending the convention. He reported that amongst the convention attendees 37 States, 2 Canadian Provinces and 2 countries, Japan and Sweden, were represented.

President Weber reported the NRHS was financially sound. The current budget has held expenses down so the Society is no longer running a deficit. The *NRHS Bulletin* will be published twice and the *NRHS News* will have two mailed issues in 2016. The *NRHS News* will continue to be issued electronically six times during the year. He encouraged the membership to submit articles to the *NRHS News*.

4 - Introduction of Officers and Staff

President Weber introduced the officers and staff who attended this meeting.

He expressed the need for volunteers to join the various committees along with donating to the NRHS to support their work.

5 - New Business

No new business was presented to the membership.

The Secretary received 891 proxies via mail from the membership.

6 – Questions and Initiatives from the Membership

At-Large Member Ford Easton asked why the NRHS did not make better use of email for delivering publications and general information.

President Weber responded that we are attempting to use email but lack the addresses of many members. We keep in touch with those members by mailing two issues of the *NRHS News*. Some items such as membership renewals and donation letters are more effective than emails but are expensive to produce and mail.

Arkansas Chapter member Tom Duggan asked why the NRHS does not staff a booth at various train shows and events.

President Weber agrees with the idea but local chapters would need to assist the manning of a pop-up booth at the events.

7 - Adjournment

Mr. John Simonton motioned to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30PM, MDT.

Respectfully submitted

Robert J. Ernst
Secretary
National Railway Historical Society