

**Minutes of the Eighty Third
NRHS Annual Membership Meeting
Nashville Airport Hotel (Hilton), Nashville, TN
Friday, June 23, 2017**

Pursuant of notice, the members of the National Railway Historical Society, Inc. met at the Nashville Airport Hotel (Hilton), Nashville, TN, Friday, June 23, 2017.

1 - Call to Order

President Al Weber called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. CDT. Sixty nine members and guests were present.

2 - Approval of Minutes

Secretary Bob Ernst presented the minutes of the membership meeting held in Denver, CO on July 23, 2016. There were no comments received from NRHS members that affected the wording on the draft minutes.

Motion: Mr. John McEnerney motioned and Mr. Jerry Dorcz 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 noted that it has been a long haul but the Society is in good financial shape. Donations and hours of volunteer labor were crucial in keeping the NRHS on solid financial ground. A membership push is now under way. Bringing in new members as well as getting past members to rejoin will be the focus of the Society.

The *NRHS Bulletin* and *NRHS News* are now published on a regular schedule.

President Weber encourages the membership to provide the NRHS with an email address. If a member is not able to use a computer, ask for assistance from a family member, such as a grandchild or from another NRHS member. The NRHS does not sell or lend the use of its mailing lists which includes emails addresses.

4 - Introduction of Officers and Staff

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

5 - New Business

No new business was presented to the membership.

The Secretary received 685 proxies via mail from the membership.

6 – Questions and Initiatives from the Membership

Member Jerry Dorcz asked if the NRHS Board has come up with a definition of what a chapter is as was noted in a recent *NRHS News* article.

President Weber responded that people are working on the definition but at this moment there is no clear answer.

Member John McEnerney commented on how much he enjoyed the convention and especially the double-headed steam excursion at TVRM. He asked can the NRHS do more excursions such as that more often?

President Weber agrees that excursions like the double-headed steam at TVRM are exciting, but because of operating conditions it will be more difficult to sponsor trips of that nature in the future.

7 - Adjournment

Mr. Peter Senin, Jr. motioned to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30PM, CDT.

Respectfully submitted

Robert J. Ernst
Secretary
National Railway Historical Society