



North Georgia Live Steamers

January 7, 2023 at 1 p.m.



Agenda

I. Call to order

Peter Craymer called to order a meeting of the North Georgia Live Steamers at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 7, 2023 at the railroad.

Attendees

Susan Wizner	Charlotte Breese
Joan Lurwig	Gene Lurwig
Ethel Nicol	Brandon Shope
Tyler Griffin	David Eisman
Scott Moore	Paul Lator
Norm Wizner	Dave Levy
Joe Fabregas	Bob Cummings
Sherry Moore	Thomas Kwan
Wes Rogers	Peter Craymer
Robby Mossman	Ben Kight



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II. Treasurer's Report - Norm Wizner provided the following treasurers report. Was accepted as read.

Beginning Bank Balance (January 1, 2023)	\$16,486.87
Income	
Member Dues	\$1,725.00
Calendar Purchases	\$416.00
Donations	<u>\$33.00</u>
Total Income	\$2,174.00
Expenses	
Printed Calendar Expenses	\$443.86
Run Day Fliers	\$191.93
Member Container #4 Expenses (John Tuten)	\$176.30
Bank Fee	<u>\$2.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$814.09
Available Balance	\$17,846.78
Riding Car Fund	\$2,897.24
Member Container #3 Fund	\$71.17
Shop Fund	\$1,009.88
Member Container #4 Fund	\$2,034.86



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General Fund	\$11,833.63
Petty Cash	\$375.00

III. Old Business

1. Peter Craymer reviewed minutes from the December meeting.
2. Peter reminded everyone to pay dues and to also make sure we pay for and pick up our calendars
3. Peter mentioned that we are still looking for volunteers for the Trains! Trains! Trains! event at The Southern Museum on Saturday, January 28th through Sunday, January 29th.
4. Bob Cummings provided an update regarding the Sailing silent auction that was ongoing and that things have been extended until our February meeting.
5. An update regarding member container #4 was given. The frogs have been purchased and have been delivered. Help will be requested to build switches and track panels once the container members are ready.
6. A possible 5th container was also discussed but nothing in the near future on it other than it was being discussed and prepared for.
7. Norm discussed the shop project is still stalled for a variety of reasons. Still working on scheduling time for the containers to be welded together so we can then cut the inner walls out.
8. Norm also mentioned we have some track maintenance needed and that will be scheduled soon.
9. Peter discussed the riding car project and how the board will be meeting to discuss getting this project back on track. Peter mentioned that based on our 2022 run days it may mean we go with individual cars.
10. The club voted on board members for the 2023 year. The members will be Bob Cummings, Wes Rogers, and John Tuten.

IV. New Business

1. The following nominees were voted as board members for 2023: Bob Cummings, Wes Rogers, and John Tuten.



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2. Peter brought up a possible 2023 project to include a better barrier between the passenger line and visitors waiting in line going down towards the station. Robby had given a couple of examples and Tyler G. also provided additional options.
3. Ethel mentioned the covered bulletin board just outside the fence line near the station that provides information regarding the railroad and our club needs some repair work.
4. Ethel also provided a list of items the board and club should be considering:
 - a. Make sure all visitors understand conditional of sales for purchasing tickets
 - b. All riders should have a ticket in hand at the time of entering the loading area and hand it to members working the station.
 - c. Tickets should be non-refundable
 - d. Tickets are only good for the day of the run day and not transferable to other run days. Possibly use different colored tickets.
 - e. Mentioned limiting what riders can carry while riding on the train. Example was a long stick and other items that could create issues in the event of a derailment.
 - f. Mentioned requiring individuals with special needs should be accompanied by a responsible adult in order to minimize any safety issues.
 - g. Mentioned to make sure that the train engineer and conductors are responsible for the train. John Tuten was identified as someone who can help provide training.
 - h. Suggested that riders 10 and under should have an adult ride with them and not to be allowed to ride by them self
 - i. Asked what the procedure is for dealing with injuries of visitors while onsite. Want to know what happens to the incident report once it is filled out.
5. Tyler mentioned some possible steam engine repairs on the club steamer once the shop is completed.
6. Bob C also mentioned that some maintenance was performed on the club steamer including reinstalling the whistle.
7. Bob C also brought out the Club Steam Engine Engineer board that lists who is authorized to operate the steam engine. Also suggested we have engineers sign up to operate on run days.
8. Bob C also mentioned he is open to performing additional training classes on the club steamer and should contact him to schedule time.
9. Wes asked about possible birthday party events. Scott suggested that we should have a standard cost for events like this. Additional details to follow.



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10. Peter also reminded everyone to come out at any time and run on the railroad. Do not have to wait for a scheduled event.

V. Adjournment

North Georgia Live Steamers adjourned the meeting at 1:48 p.m.

Meeting Minutes submitted by: Robby Mossman