

Div 10 BOD Meeting 3/25/2026

Members present: Larry Smith (Superintendent), Kevin Ellis (Assistant Superintended), Bob Belt, Tom Bensberg, Harold Weinberg (incoming Secretary), Stewart Winstandley, Randy Coffman (Treasurer), John Gorman, Tom O'Connor (outgoing Secretary), Rich Murphy, Cecil Hestand, Ralph Haddock.

Train Ride: The Board discussed the previously announced train ride to be sponsored by Bill Robbins' family. Details to be determined.

Lap Top: Tom O'Connor reported that the Division's laptop needs a new battery but works properly when plugged in. Kevin stated he would check with his IT contacts at UK to determine the cost and feasibility of replacing the battery or purchasing a new laptop. He will report his findings to the Board.

Board Secretary: Harold was elected to this position following a motion by Randy and a second by Robert. The Board thanked Tom for his service.

Budget: Randy presented a budget for the upcoming fiscal year. He pointed out that the Division has annual fixed costs. Randy clarified that the budget needs an estimated additional \$100 for equipment. Motion to approve by Randy. Second by Stew. Budget carried. Following the vote, Randy agreed to make necessary modifications to the budget so it is for the upcoming calendar (rather than fiscal) year.

Division Logo: The Board discussed the new Division logo (horse design) which is already in use on the Division web site and newsletter. Larry proposed creating signs with the logo in time for the Bluegrass Model RR Club summer train show. The signs might be paid for by NMRA branding funds rather than Division funds. Harold suggested adding the Division name to the logo for better identification. The Board unanimously approved the logo concept in principle, but acknowledged that it may need further refinement. Randy offered to implement changes to the logo using AutoCAD for Board approval.

PayPal: Randy reported that he had liquated the funds in this account. It remains open with a zero balance.

New Trustee: The Board discussed with Ralph the possibility that he would fill the Trustee position vacated by Harold when he became Secretary. Ralph expressed interest but indicated that he needs more time to consider the position, and would decide soon. The Board did not formally nominate Ralph.

Final adjournment at 7:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Harold Weinberg, Secretary