

Division 10 Mid-Central Region National Model Railroad Association
2/7/17

Minutes of the Division 10 Executive Committee meeting held on February 7, 2017, at the home of John Gorman.

In attendance were Executive Committee members Bob Belt, Bruce DeMaeyer and Tom Bensberg.

The meeting was called to order by Superintendent Bob Belt at 8:00 p.m.

A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to recommend to the division Board of Directors that a committee be formed for Trains Day at the Library.

The meeting was adjourned at about 8:05 p.m.

Tom Bensberg
Secretary

The above meeting followed a discussion about Trains Day by a number of interested members including: Fred Plymale, Harold Weinberg, John Gorman, Ed Butcher, Stew Winstandley, Michael Rehorn, Bill Robbins, Larry Smith, Brian Jones, Mark Hunt and Thomas Bookout.

A summary of that discussion was described in an 2/8/17 email from Bruce DeMaeyer partially quoted below:

"...We called the meeting to identify the steps necessary to successfully implement the proposed "Trains Day at the Library".

Following is a list of steps taken:

I have volunteered to head the new committee that has been put together to get the job done. You saw some of the ideas defined in the presentation I made at the Sunday Division meeting.

The Committee will be structured into four parts:

1. The first subcommittee (Layouts) will focus on getting the T-trak system (and any other available portable layouts) ready for the event. It will involve setting up the systems, running (and manning) them, and then disassembling them for storage. It will also make arrangements for obtaining the rolling stock for the layout(s). Stew Winstandley has agreed to head that subcommittee
2. The second subcommittee (Library) will handle all of the coordination issues with the Library staff, including but not limited to, participant registration, space requirements, publicity, library support staff, etc. Bob Belt has agreed to head that subcommittee.
3. The third subcommittee (Resources) will put together as many resources related to building model railroad layouts (at the basic level), including but not limited to magazines, how to books, videos, etc. it will also be responsible for manning this "table" with members capable of answering getting started questions from the parents/grandparents of the children attending the event. Tom Bensberg (later changed to Brian Jones) has agreed to head that subcommittee.
4. The fourth subcommittee (NMRA-Division 10) will be responsible for identifying the role that the NMRA can play in helping the parents/grandparents of the children attending the event to link into the network of people like us to help them with the tasks of model railroading. It would of course require publicity about our division as well as the NMRA in general, how to join as well as the benefits of

joining. One of the primary needs will be the purchase of a vinyl roll up display similar to what we had for the convention. .. Tentative chair Alan Bourne (Alan later accepted)

This is a very high level summary of the discussion last night, ...

One of the first steps of each subcommittee will be to put together a budget that will be presented to the BOD at their now scheduled meeting on Tuesday February 21.”