

- Minutes -  
BEMRC Business Meeting  
April 11, 2019

14 members present

<b>Meets:</b>	Sn3 Symposium	April 4-6 Bellevue Sheraton
	ATSF Mini Meet	May 4 PNRA Burien
	BEMRRC/PNRA Open House	May 11 Main Layout Only
	NMRA Meet	May 11 Tacoma

May 11 will be National Train Day. The Swamp Creek and Western club in Edmonds is also hosting an open house that day and collecting donations for a local food bank. We could do the same.

<b>Operating Session Schedule:</b>	<u>Sunday at 1:30 PM</u>	<u>Friday at 7 PM</u>
	April 14	April 26

The March 29 Ops session was not well attended: only 5 showed up. Sunday April 14 will be a "Run what You Brung"/Training session. Friday April 26 will be an Ops session.

**Wesley:** We have the rolling stock, power supplies and structures from the layout that used to be in the basement of the Wesley Terrace independent living facility in Des Moines. We also have their 100 or so hardback train books. These were donated to us when the layout had to be dismantled to accommodate more storage for an expected increase in tenants in the Terrace building. The Wesley layout with track is on a sheet or two of 4x8 plywood and will be picked up at the Wesley by Byron Osborn and Ed Sherry. We will keep some of the rolling stock, structures, and books and sell the rest. The books, mostly of eastern railroads, will be offered for sale to the members (\$10 for a \$60 book) before being offered to the public.

**Turnout Troubles:** We are having problems with turnouts not throwing all the way. Some have been glued in position, some have electrical/mechanical issues. Some of the ground throw turnouts are having issues too. It was proposed to keep a log sheet for problems and use color coded stickers for places that have troubles. For example red for electrical, blue for trackwork, etc.

**Environmental Control:** We are going to install an air filtration system for dust control. One will be ordered by May. We also need to acquire a good vacuum cleaner.

**Budget:** The budget and actuals were reviewed. We are still at \$19.16 spent out of \$2600 allocated in the budget for the main layout. It is suspected that not all expenses have been submitted for reimbursement.

**Library:** The library area has been cleaned out. We need our other cabinets cleaned out as well. The scenery cabinet has been mostly done and the electrical cabinet is next.

**Membership:** 45 members have paid their dues for 2019. Six or so have not renewed yet. A couple of new members are being processed.

**Constitution:** Our amended constitution has been approved by Boeing Rec. It was moved, seconded, and approved by a vote of 24 yea to 0 nay to approve our constitution as approved by Rec. There were 14 members present voting and 10 members voting by proxy.

**Steps:** Warren Castelluccio has prepared a design for movable steps to allow people to access/view the upper deck areas. The design was shown to the members present.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Shields, Secretary