

Minutes – BEMRRC Board – December 6, 2018

**Shows:** Out next even is Tacoma: set up December 16, meeting here at noon or so, loading up, then heading south. We need to find out if we have an assigned unload time at the museum. The show starts on the 21st and on that day we will need to be there until 8:30 PM; on the rest of the days the show runs from 10 AM to 5 PM. We need to work on the modules to get them ready.

**Sequence meeting:** It will be decided by the next business meeting whether to have a sequence meeting this month.

**Library:** The library work session has been moved to December 15th. Work is being done to move stuff upstairs to make room for our library downstairs.

**Training Session:** There will be a layout training session on December 8th.

<b>Operating Session Schedule:</b>	<u>Sunday at 1:30 PM</u>	<u>Friday at 7 PM</u>
	January 13	January 25
	February 10	none February
	TBD	March 29

No operating sessions for December as we will either be setting up or running the Xmas show at the Washington State Historical museum. The last operation session had only 5 people. Our layout can handle 10-15. We will wait until after the new year to start "Run What You Brung" sessions. Byron Osborn is working on documentation for how to work the layout. It is a lot of work to prepare for an operating session. It would be good if more people showed up. No operating session on the last Friday in February as we will be setting up for the Monroe show.

**Main Layout Design:** No new design changes. We need to decide on uncoupler locations for Winthrop. Wiring problems are leading us to consider rewiring all the uncoupler magnets. A design is being worked on for a delay circuit for use on uncouplers to solve needing for more than 2 hands.

**Electrical:** The electrical committee needs more help. We are going to start contacting people who on their membership forms have expressed an interest in doing electrical work.

**Decoder Pro:** We consensus on how decoders will be set up and programed.

**Membership:** 51 members! We have two new members this month: Colin Kikawa and Caleb Lundeen. Welcome! This puts us close to the membership levels we had before Boeing gave up our space at the Kent Rec Center and had to increase our dues from \$15/year (\$5 for retirees). The good news is that between construction of the new layout and the new HO modules we have more members actively participating than ever.

**Track Issues:** We are working on fixing problems with track that are possibly being caused by using the wrong kind of soldering flux.

**Scenery:** We are working to finish the upper deck areas.

**Budget:** We need to We need to buy a couple of turnouts for Arlington. We are done printing backdrop photos for this year. We need to buy more decoders for our locos. This would come out of the DCC budget. Bob Judge nneeds to submit charges for electrical purchases.

**Mega Donation in our Trailer:** The boxes in the trailer have been identified as keep/sell/don't know. We will look at selling some of it to the Electric Train Shop in Burien. We need to decide about the Lionel stuff before Monroe.

**Shirts:** Snappy S&NC shirts have been ordered for those who wanted them.

**Plaque:** We need to get to work on the Robin Carrera plaque.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Shields, Secretary