

Shows: Our next even is Monroe with the Tacoma NW group and their modules. Set up February 22, with the show February 23-24. Our modules will need some work to get ready after the long show in December.

Trailer: The board agreed that we should buy Marv Hardy's trailer if we can sell our current trailer and find a place to store it. Marv's trailer is bigger than our old one making it easier to load our modules but harder to find long term parking.

Member at Large: Our newsletter editor is leaving the club and moving to North Carolina. Since we no longer publish a newsletter, the board proposes to replace the editor's position on the board with a "Member at Large" position. John Marcellus and Bill Kajdzik will discuss what the duties of the member at large should be. This will require a change to the club's constitution which would have to be approved by the membership and Boeing Recreation.

Operating Session Schedule:

<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. Work to prepare the layout is done the Tuesday before a session. 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. At least some of the Sunday sessions will be turned into training sessions.

Santa Fe:

Sequence meeting: There will be a sequence meeting this month.

Backdrops: We have 11 more 6 foot backdrop photos to go.

Heat: The old heaters are gone. It was a difficult job getting the heater out of our corner.

Bathroom Sink: We would like replace the sink in our bathroom with a deeper one if we can do so while staying in compliance with ADA rules.

Magazines: There is a desire to decide what to do and do it, but ... We would like to use electronic versions where possible, but who will they be accessed? How and where will we store hard copies?

Tacoma Show Reviewed: In general the Tacoma show went very well for us with lots of positive response from the public. There was an occasional problem of having more people show up than had signed up for a particular period. It was great that they showed up but was an issue when it came to deciding who got to run trains. It was decided to have a post show review with the membership at the next business meeting.

Library: Work is being done to move stuff upstairs to make room for our library downstairs.

Keys: We need to establish a policy on who gets keys to our building. Right now it is on a case by case basis.

Proposal: The board discussed a proposal whereby in return for a \$60/year donation to our club, PNRA members could participate as guests in operating our layout and participate in activities related to building our layout.

Santa Fe: There will be a Santa Fe mini meet here April 6.

Library Committee Proposal: The Library Committee has proposed that instead of setting up the library downstairs to house the library on the three shelves next to the window upstairs. Items currently on those shelves would be moved elsewhere. The board recommends using the downstairs place for the following reasons: 1) the space upstairs is unheated and the books and other materials would be subjected to cold and potential dampness in winter and heat in summer; 2) It would affect the security of the PNRA store and we would not like to be suspected if items went missing; 3) Since the door between our area and the PNRA is usually unlocked, members would have access to the tables and chairs there that would enable a more comfortable reading and researching experience than the unheated cold, damp (in winter) or hot (in summer) more limited space upstairs.

Budget: The budget vs. actuals for 2018 were reviewed and a budget proposal for 2019 was drafted.

IRS and More: Our IRS form 990 is due, as is our submittal to the state for an exemption from property tax, and the renewal of our status as a non profit corporation.

Respectfully submitted,
John Shields, Secretary