

- Minutes -  
BEMRC Business Meeting  
January 10, 2018

14 members present

**Shows:** Our next event 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. There will be an Sn3 symposium April 4-6 in Bellevue. The Santa Fe mini meet will be here April 6.

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

<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

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.

**Proposal:** The board has 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. The members present thought this would be a good idea as long as it is allowed under the Boeing Recreation rules.

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

**Cleanup:** An ongoing issue, as it should be. We need to clean up and make best use of the areas we have available. This will mean having to make decisions about what to keep and what to dispose of. Other decisions will have to be made about where to put things moved from downstairs to upstairs.

**Decoder Pro:** We need to decide which CV's need to be set and lock them down.

**Tacoma Show:** There was a discussion of the Tacoma show after action report detailed in a handout provided to the members present.

**Constitutional Amendments:** Our newsletter editor is leaving the club and moving to North Carolina in the next few months. 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. This will require a change to the club's constitution which would have to be approved by the membership and Boeing Recreation. The members present were provided with a draft of the proposed revised constitution.

**Budget:** The 2018 budget vs. actuals and proposed 2019 budget were reviewed by the members present.

**Bathroom Sink:** We would like to replace the sink in our bathroom with a deeper one if we can do so while staying in compliance with ADA rules. We will ask our landlord (the PNRA) about this.

**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. This area is less cramped than the currently allocated space downstairs. The board recommends using the downstairs space 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. It was moved and seconded to vote on which proposal to go ahead with. The vote was held and the results were: move the library upstairs, 0; keep the library downstairs 12. The motion was carried to keep the library downstairs.

**Scenery Items:** Most of the items to be moved out of the library area downstairs are scenery materials. There was a discussion of where to put them, with general agreement that materials we are going to need in the short term should be put where we can find them.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Shields, Secretary