

Meeting was called to order 11:10am January 21, 2023 by President Lonnie Demoret. 13 members and one guest were present. Minutes were ok'd as presented after Javen made the motion and Phil seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report given by Treasurer Javen. Phil made the motion to accept, Doug seconded and ok'd. Motion passed. Dues need to be paid. First quarter payment is the minimum needed. See Javen.

Lonnie reported the McPherson train show Jan 14 went well with his layout of trains being run with tablets.

New member application presented. Javen moved to accept Jerry Martin. Bob and Todd seconded. All approved. Welcome Jerry!!

Wichita show Feb 4 & 5 the club will have 4 tables to sell items, Lonnie will have his layout for visitors to run on tablets. We will load Lonnie's truck Wed Feb 1 at 9am. *

Javen, Suzanne, Ellis, Michael, Jolene, Lonnie and Todd have indicated they're able to help set up, man the sale tables and help the kids with the layout. If you are also able to help, that would be great!!

Is there any interest for orange club tshirts for the June show and wear to promote the show and club? It'll be the current style. Any interest for Lanyards like we have? Javen was approved to buy materials for lanyards. Lonnie and Jolene will check with local businesses to see if they're able to make more tshirts.

The Hutchinson Public Library contacted Jolene to ask if the club wanted to continue the gift subscription to the magazine Railroad Model Craftsman that KCMR had donated in the past. Gary Essells had paid for it on behalf of the club, and the phone number of former member Charles Moll is the contact number on the magazine rack. Discussion as to the cost, readership, and a few other questions. (Cost was told to the members) Dean Childs moved to continue the gift subscription, Todd seconded. Motion carried. Updating the contact information and logo on the display rack was suggested. Jolene will contact the library with this updated information.

Ellis brought up that the club is needing fundraising ideas to help get the club's name out. Discussion of the June show, Gambino's and Christmas Open House that we currently participate in is good, but we could participate in more downtown Third Thursday events (like we did for Hutchinson's birthday) and have a Spring Open house. (after the show in June). Bring more ideas to the February meeting.

Ricky Custar's wife and mother in law were in a very serious vehicle accident in Oklahoma. He's a TTOS member and a vendor at our June train show and a friend to many.

The June show is around the corner!! Javen passed flyers to show the group what will be sent to vendors and exhibitors, and the sponsor sheets for potential donors. Very important to get donations since the club is operating in the red Javen said. Each of us need to go to businesses that we frequent with paperwork (form and business EIN number) when they are asked if they would like to donate.

Let Jolene know who you've asked so we don't ask the same business multiple times.

Fundraiser at Gambino's was set for May 16, 2023. More information to come.

Todd motioned the meeting to adjourn, everyone seconded

Next meeting is Feb 11, 2023 at 11am 16 East 3rd.

Jolene,
KCMR Secretary