

**KCMR March 13, 2021 meeting** was called to order by President Don Phillips at the clubhouse. Fifteen members and one guest, Meeks' grandson, William, was present.

Treasurer's report was given by Gary Essels. Since we hadn't met since August 2020 in the parking lot, we were given a compilation report for 2020. Bills were paid and/but COVID made things tougher financially, but we are doing OK. A printed report is available for review at the clubhouse.

We have received dues from some members, but we are needing to ***get caught up from last year in addition to being current for 2021.***

You are able to send dues of \$120 for the year, or \$30 a quarter to the **KCMR clubhouse at 16 East 3rd, Hutchinson, KS 67501.**

Javen made the motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Don Hazen seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Dillons grocery store is offering 501c organizations the opportunity of receiving donations. It is based on a percentage of your total bill, but you need to sign up through their website and the plus card before the donations are given to the organization of your choice (KCMR!).

Our train show is scheduled for June 5 & 6, 2021 at the Kansas State Fairgrounds in Hutchinson KS. We have vendors and layouts committed. We ALL need to contact businesses to spread the word and ask for sponsors and donations. The forms can be found on the website under club documents and train show. Or you can contact me and I can print them for you to hand out seeking sponsors.

**We will reopen to the public in April on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays and Third Thursdays, times posted on the doors.**

This was decided after discussion and a motion made by Javen, seconded by Lonnie. The motion passed with one opposed.

Javen told us that the Wichita Toy Train Club was interested in buying the "big blue" layout. We have 8 modules, only a couple have been worked on. The other modules have already been in storage for a couple of years. Discussion of varying viewpoints were made: It takes people & vehicles to transport the layouts, man them during the show, etc.; We need to focus on what we have available now and build on that to let others know we are here; We could use it to help promote the club; If we sell, we need at least 2/3 cost; the track that was previously mounted is good quality.

Jerry East and Javen moved to sell the layout. Lonnie seconded the motion. Motion passed. The sale price will go back to the board. Items to complete: the roof still leaks in the back room items of Richard Hamm's are for sale in the back room. John Allen Timesaver switching puzzle could be made to be used. Don P has patterns available. have a different new lawn sign for the easement to show when we are open. Question of what are the city ordinances that might create difficulties? need a marketing plan and advertise that we have a club program to recruit new and younger members. Later

clarified that if we get younger people that are interested in trains, that will also draw the parents and vice versa.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Communication- Roland and Don Phillips are having health issues. Other members with health issues also are in our thoughts and prayers.

Election of Officers: Jerry East nominated Javen Schmucker as President. Don Hazen moved nominations cease. Lonnie Demoret seconded. Motion passed with one opposed.

Jerry E. nominated Don Phillips as Vice-President. Don H. seconded. Motion passed.

Javen nominated Gary Essels as Treasurer. Lonnie seconded. Motion passed.

Don H. nominated Jolene Demoret as Secretary. Javen seconded. Motion passed.

Javen moved to adjourn.

Jolene Demoret Secretary

President Javen Schmucker later emailed me that the **next meeting is FIRST Saturday in April due to another show that he is needing to attend.**

**APRIL 3, 2021 16 East 3rd Hutchinson next club meeting**

**Also let me know if your contact information has changed to be updated on mailings**