

Purpose: Garden State Division (GSD) Staff Meeting
Date/Time: Saturday, March 16, 2013 9:30 am – 1 pm
Place: Home of Bruce De Young.
Attendees: Andy Brusgard, Ciro Compagno, Bruce De Young, Chuck Diljak, Tom Casey, Anthony Piccirillo, Jim H, Roger Oliver, Jim Farwett and Tom Wortmann.

Reports presented:

President's Report

Ciro first remarks, the spirit of coordination, communications, and cooperation will start a new chapter in the NMRA/GSD. At our membership, meetings must include home layouts and clinics. All our planned meetings must be advertised in periodicals and emails.

Secretary's Report

Anthony there will be a change in the minutes taken at each meeting. The historical background is needed for the Garden State Division and will be researched. Anthony will get a recorder for the meetings. Jim Farwett indicated GSD needs a formal process to elect officers.

Treasurer's Report

Bob Dennis presented a financial update. Discussion of BoxCars sold. Tom Wortmann still has seven (7) cars to be sold. Financial Report was accepted.

Education Committee and AP Reports

Bruce discussed AP program needing more participates in the program. There are only four(4) people in NER that function as AP judges. Golden Spike Award is 8 sq ft. We have a need to present the AP Program to the membership. NJD will have more hands-on clinics. All accepted report.

Events Report

Winter Meet, Saturday, February, 2013, Marine Corps League Clubhouse,
Staten Island, NY, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. Home layout tours: 2:00 – 5:00 pm.
Follow-up to Marine Corp League – Too long, a discussion about moving the Annual Meeting to the Fall Meet. Model Presentations and Module displays were outstanding.

Jim H.—Clark Show – sold one(1) Rail-fan for GSD. Should not do the show every year, should rotate our participation to different shows.

Jim H.--- NJD Meeting – Ciro should make a call to NJD – Bob Klegg Pres.

Bruce – Will call Jackson School District for future meet. Need Insurance Certificate. (Anthony)
Bob Dennis – Option B – Union RR Club in Union, NJ Home Layouts will be needed.

FALL MEET – October 5, 9 am to 1 PM.

No Lunch – Chuck will get places to eat.

Layouts – Raritan Valley RR-additional layouts in NW NJ.

Coffee and buns.

Membership & Club Chair's Report

Tom C. received an updated membership roster from the National via the NER. Bruce started discussion of the "Welcome CD" to new members. A number of CD's are ready to be mailed immediately. Andy B. will follow-up with names and addresses.

Whistle Post Report – no report.

Discussion of remaining old business:

Ciro to draft a GSD Bylaws amendment, to include his duty for the Secretary, for review at the next Board Meeting. Status: Open

Discussion of new Business:

Ciro - 50th Anniversary Dinner. –

VFW Hall – Main Street; Sparta, New Jersey.

Menu – Salad, Chicken, Pasta, Mixed Veg., Potatoes, Drinks, plus open cash bar.

Sheet Cake. Coffee, Tea, milk.

Pricing of Party is attached.

Dinner tickets - \$15 prepaid tickets, \$18 at the door (July 27, 2013).

Chuck creating Invite.

Promotional Table --- declined by BOD. All agree.

Tom W. discussed - Promotional Journal. \$50 full page, \$25 half page, \$15 ¼ page.

Back page \$75. Color cover.

Agenda for 50th Anniversary Dinner.

2 PM Welcome Intro by Ciro, NER and NMRA if available.

3 PM Tony Koester

4 PM Dinner

5:45 PM Bob – Atlas

Layouts need to be identified.

Call Bob Nailbone – Mallory Award for new entries.

GSD Signs to Print Backs.

GSD Constitution submits changes for the election of officers. Submit to Anthony, Sec.

Meeting adjourned around 12:00 pm.

Next staff meeting will be announced.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Piccirillo, Secretary